

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

January 22, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. DURSO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring maternity patients are supplied with an immunization schedule and recommendations for newborns

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2803-j of the public health law,
2 as amended by chapter 382 of the laws of 2022, is amended and a new
3 subdivision 1-f is added to read as follows:

4 1. The commissioner shall require that every hospital and birth center
5 shall prepare in printed or photocopied form and distribute at the time
6 of pre-booking directly to each prospective maternity patient, every
7 maternity patient that is cared for and discharged by a hospital or
8 birth center, and, upon request, to the general public an informational
9 leaflet. Such leaflet shall be designed by the commissioner and shall
10 contain brief definitions of maternity related procedures and practices
11 as specified in subdivision two of this section and such other material
12 as deemed appropriate by the commissioner. Hospitals and birth centers
13 may also elect to distribute additional explanatory material along with
14 the maternity patients informational leaflet. The commissioner shall
15 make the information contained in the leaflet available on the depart-
16 ment's website and shall present all annual statistical information
17 compiled pursuant to subdivision three of this section on the depart-
18 ment's website for the most recent five years for which such data is
19 available.

20 1-f. The information leaflet shall also include the immunization sche-
21 dule and recommendations for newborns established by the commissioner
22 pursuant to subdivision five of this section.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
24 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
25 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
26 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed
27 on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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