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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to patient notification of services provided by non-participating providers at a participating hospital

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 2805-t to read as follows:

S 2805-T. NOTIFICATION OF NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS PROVIDING TREATMENT AT A PARTICIPATING HOSPITAL. EVERY HOSPITAL SHALL BE REQUIRED TO NOTIFY A PATIENT ADMITTED TO SUCH HOSPITAL IF A PHYSICIAN OR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER PROVIDING TREATMENT TO SUCH PATIENT IS NOT A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER IN THE NETWORK OF ANY INSURER WHOSE PLANS OR POLICIES OF INSURANCE ARE ACCEPTED BY SUCH HOSPITAL. THE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION SHALL BE PRIOR TO SUCH PHYSICIAN OR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TREATING THE PATIENT.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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