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Introduced by M. of A. GIANARIS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to providing to employees a listing of participating providers by paper or electronic media and providing notice that a written listing of participating providers is available upon request

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

Section 1. Paragraph 17 of subsection (a) of section 3217-a of the insurance law, as added by chapter 705 of the laws of 1996, is amended to read as follows:

(17) where applicable, a listing by specialty, which may be in a separate document that is updated annually, of [the] ALL PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS, INCLUDING FACILITIES, SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES BY PAPER OR ELECTRONIC MEDIA. EACH LISTING SHALL INCLUDE THE PROVIDER'S name, address, and telephone number of all participating providers, including facilities, and in addition, in the case of physicians, board certification. IN ADDITION, EACH INSURER SUBJECT TO THIS ARTICLE SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE TO EACH INSURED THAT A PAPER LISTING OF PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS AND FACILITIES IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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