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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring the inclusion of basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in secondary school health education curricula

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 804-c of the education law, as added by chapter 269
2 of the laws of 1999, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 804-c. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction. 1. Instructions
4 regarding cardiopulmonary resuscitation may be offered for voluntary
5 admission as a part of the SECONDARY SCHOOL health education curriculum
6 [in all senior high schools]. In addition to the requirement that all
7 teachers of health education shall be certified to teach health, persons
8 instructing pupils in cardiopulmonary resuscitation shall possess valid
9 certification by an agency offering such certification in the perform-
10 ance of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and in its instruction.
11 2. The commissioner may prescribe regulations governing such health
12 education courses which shall include instruction in cardiopulmonary
13 resuscitation. Such regulations shall in no event prescribe a course of
14 study in cardiopulmonary resuscitation which sets forth standards for
15 instruction of a lesser quality than the requirements of the programs
16 adopted by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
17 3. School authorities [that choose to offer such course] OR OFF-SITE
18 ENTITIES PROVIDING SUCH COURSE shall provide the needed facilities, time
19 and place for the instruction set forth herein and shall provide learn-
20 ing aids and curriculum resource materials to support such course of
21 study.
22 4. AS PART OF THE NEW YORK STATE LEARNING STANDARDS REVIEW INITIATIVE
23 REGARDING HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
24 THE REGENTS SHALL CONSIDER THE INCLUSION OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCI-
25 TATION AS PART OF THE STANDARDS FOR INCLUSION IN CURRICULUM GUIDANCE.
26 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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