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AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to requiring the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to develop training materials for health care providers and qualified health professionals to encourage implementation of the screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment program

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

1     Section 1. Section 19.07 of the mental hygiene law is amended by  
2     adding a new subdivision (i) to read as follows:  
3     (I) THE OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, IN CONSUL-  
4     TATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, SHALL PROVIDE AND PUBLISH, IN  
5     ELECTRONIC OR OTHER FORMAT, TRAINING MATERIALS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVID-  
6     ERS, AS DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT  
7     OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW, AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, RECOGNIZED  
8     BY THE OFFICE TO ENABLE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCREENING, BRIEF  
9     INTERVENTION, AND REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PROGRAM (SBIRT). SUCH TRAINING  
10    MATERIALS SHALL INCLUDE ANY AND ALL MATERIALS NECESSARY TO INFORM HEALTH  
11    CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS OF THE METHOD FOR  
12    ADMINISTERING THE SBIRT PROGRAM TO A PATIENT IN THE CARE OF HEALTH CARE  
13    PROVIDERS OR QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. SUCH TRAINING MATERIALS  
14    SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH  
15    PROFESSIONALS THROUGH THE OFFICIAL WEBSITES OF THE OFFICE AND THE  
16    DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND BY ANY OTHER MEANS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE  
17    COMMISSIONER.  
18    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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