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Introduced by M. of A. CYMBROWITZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

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:

Section 1. Section 19.07 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (i) to read as follows:

(I) THE OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, SHALL PROVIDE AND PUBLISH, IN ELECTRONIC OR OTHER FORMAT, TRAINING MATERIALS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, AS DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW, AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, RECOGNIZED BY THE OFFICE TO ENABLE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCREENING, BRIEF INTERVENTION, AND REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PROGRAM (SBIRT). SUCH TRAINING MATERIALS SHALL INCLUDE ANY AND ALL MATERIALS NECESSARY TO INFORM HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS OF THE METHOD FOR ADMINISTERING THE SBIRT PROGRAM TO A PATIENT IN THE CARE OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS OR QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. SUCH TRAINING MATERIALS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS THROUGH THE OFFICIAL WEBSITES OF THE OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND BY ANY OTHER MEANS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSIONER.

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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