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AN ACT to amend the education law and the public health law, in relation
to course work or training in early recognition of and intervention
for eating disorders

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6505-d
2 to read as follows:
3 S 6505-D. COURSE WORK OR TRAINING IN EARLY RECOGNITION OF AND INTER-
4 VENTION FOR EATING DISORDERS. EVERY PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
5 PRACTICING IN THE STATE SHALL, ON OR BEFORE JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND
6 TWELVE, COMPLETE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT
7 REGARDING THE EARLY RECOGNITION OF AND INTERVENTION FOR EATING DISOR-
8 DERS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, WHICH SHALL BE
9 CONSISTENT, AS FAR AS APPROPRIATE, WITH ANY STANDARDS OR BEST PRACTICES
10 ESTABLISHED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE CARE CENTERS FOR EATING DISORDERS
11 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE TWENTY-SEVEN-J OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW.
12 EACH SUCH PROFESSIONAL SHALL ATTEST TO THE DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF
13 REGISTRATION COMMENCING WITH THE FIRST REGISTRATION AFTER JULY FIRST,
14 TWO THOUSAND TWELVE THAT THE PROFESSIONAL HAS COMPLETED COURSE WORK OR
15 TRAINING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, PROVIDED, HOWEVER THAT A
16 PROFESSIONAL SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (F) OF SUBDIVISION
17 ONE OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT HUNDRED FIVE-K OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW
18 SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE SUCH DOCUMENTATION OR ATTESTATION AS
19 PRESCRIBED BY THIS SECTION. THE ONE HOUR ONLINE COURSE SHALL CONSIST OF,
20 BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, INFORMATION REGARDING PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL, AND
21 BEHAVIORAL INDICATORS OF EATING DISORDERS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE
22 AN EXEMPTION FROM THIS REQUIREMENT TO ANYONE WHO REQUESTS SUCH AN
23 EXEMPTION AND WHO CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES TO THE DEPARTMENT'S SATISFACTION
24 THAT (I) THERE WOULD BE NO NEED FOR HIM OR HER TO COMPLETE SUCH COURSE

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

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1 WORK OR TRAINING BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF HIS OR HER PRACTICE, (II) THAT
2 HE OR SHE HAS COMPLETED COURSE WORK OR TRAINING DEEMED BY THE DEPARTMENT
3 TO BE EQUIVALENT TO THE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING APPROVED BY THE DEPART-
4 MENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION OR (III) SOME OTHER GOOD CAUSE PREVENTS
5 THEM FROM COMPLETING SUCH COURSE WORK OR TRAINING.

6 S 2. Subdivision 1 of section 2805-k of the public health law is
7 amended by adding a new paragraph (h) to read as follows:

8 (H) DOCUMENTATION THAT THE PHYSICIAN HAS COMPLETED THE COURSE WORK OR
9 TRAINING AS MANDATED BY SECTION SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIVE-D OF THE
10 EDUCATION LAW. A HOSPITAL OR FACILITY SHALL NOT GRANT OR RENEW PROFES-
11 SIONAL PRIVILEGES OR ASSOCIATION TO A PHYSICIAN WHO HAS NOT COMPLETED
12 SUCH COURSE WORK OR TRAINING.

13 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
14 ing the date on which it shall have become a law; provided that the
15 commissioner of education is immediately authorized and directed to
16 promulgate, amend and/or repeal any rules and regulations necessary to
17 implement the provisions of this act on such effective date.