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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to covered lives assessments in the Rochester region

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 2807-s of the public health law is
2 amended by adding a new paragraph (g) to read as follows:
3 (G) A FURTHER GROSS ANNUAL AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO THE ROCHESTER REGION
4 BEGINNING JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED TEN
5 MILLION DOLLARS. FOR CALENDAR YEARS TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN AND THEREAFTER,
6 THAT AMOUNT SHALL BE INDEXED FOR STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE INFLATION IN AN
7 AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSIONER. SUCH AMOUNT SHALL BE EXCLUDED
8 FROM ALL COMPUTATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (B) OF
9 SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT HUNDRED SEVEN-T OF THIS ARTICLE.
10 S 2. Subdivision 7 of section 2807-s of the public health law is
11 amended by adding a new paragraph (d) to read as follows:
12 (D)(A) FIVE MILLION DOLLARS OF THE FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE ROCHESTER
13 REGION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (G) OF SUBDIVISION SIX OF THIS SECTION
14 SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO A ROCHESTER REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING ORGANIZA-
15 TION FOR USE IN FUNDING REGIONAL HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. THE
16 REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING ORGANIZATION SHALL DISBURSE THOSE FUNDS IN
17 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH, OR PURSUANT TO GRANTS MADE BY THE ORGAN-
18 IZATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH. DISTRIBUTION OF ANY GRANT
19 FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING ORGANIZATION SHALL BE
20 PURSUANT TO A MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PROCESS. THE REGIONAL HEALTH CARE
21 IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND PROJECTS SHALL INCLUDE THREE MILLION DOLLARS PER
22 YEAR FOR A SHARED COMMUNITY HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGNED ON THE BASIS
23 OF COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY EFFORTS, INCLUDING COMMUNITY-WIDE PATIENT
24 SAFETY AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS, ELIMINATION OF HEALTH DISPARI-
25 TIES, HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND TWO MILLION DOLLARS TO FUND THE
26 REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING ORGANIZATION. THE HEALTH PLANNING ORGANIZATION
27 SHALL USE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO GENERATE MATCHING FUND CONTRIBUTIONS IN
28 THE FORM OF GRANTS, DONATIONS AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS.

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

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1 (B) ONE HUNDRED FIVE MILLION DOLLARS OF THE FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE
2 ROCHESTER REGION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (G) OF SUBDIVISION SIX OF THIS
3 SECTION SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OR ASSOCI-
4 ATION THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED THROUGH A MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PROCESS,
5 WHICH SHALL DISTRIBUTE THOSE FUNDS TO ALL OF THE HOSPITALS IN THE REGION
6 ENGAGED IN GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION IN ORDER TO FUND GRADUATE MEDICAL
7 EDUCATION. ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS OF SUCH FUNDING SHALL BE DISTRIB-
8 UTED PROPORTIONALLY TO EACH OF THE HOSPITALS IN AMOUNTS WHICH REFLECT
9 EACH HOSPITAL'S CURRENT COSTS FOR GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION, AND FIVE
10 MILLION DOLLARS OF UNREIMBURSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER GRADUATE
11 MEDICAL EDUCATION RELATED COSTS SHALL BE ALLOCATED IN THE SAME
12 PROPORTIONS. ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS OF THE DISTRIBUTED FUNDS SHALL
13 BE IN LIEU OF CURRENT FUNDING OF SUCH COSTS AS CURRENTLY INCLUDED IN
14 CLAIMS PAYMENTS BY THE TWO LARGEST NON-GOVERNMENTAL THIRD PARTY PAYORS
15 RESULTING IN A REDUCTION IN THE AMOUNT PAID BY SUCH THIRD PARTY PAYORS
16 IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS. PRIOR TO THE
17 ALLOCATION OF FUNDS PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION, THE PARTICIPATING
18 HOSPITALS AND SUCH THIRD PARTY PAYORS SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS FOR THE
19 DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH FUNDS AND A MECHANISM TO ENSURE THAT THE REQUIRED
20 REDUCTION OF PAYMENTS BY SUCH THIRD PARTY PAYORS TO THE HOSPITALS
21 OCCURS. THE AFFECTED HOSPITALS AND THE TWO LARGEST NON-GOVERNMENTAL
22 THIRD PARTY PAYORS IN THE ROCHESTER REGION SHALL JOINTLY SELECT AN INDE-
23 PENDENT THIRD PARTY TO DETERMINE THE REDUCTIONS WHICH SHALL OCCUR FROM
24 PREVIOUSLY NEGOTIATED RATES FOR CLAIMS PAYMENTS TO SUCH HOSPITALS BY
25 SPECIFIED THIRD PARTY PAYORS IN ORDER TO AVOID DUPLICATE FUNDING PURSU-
26 ANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH.

27 S 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015; provided that the
28 amendments to section 2807-s of the public health law made by sections
29 one and two of this act shall not affect the expiration of such section
30 and shall be deemed to expire therewith.