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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to adult protective services

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

1     Section 1. Section 473 of the social services law is amended by adding  
2 a new subdivision 8 to read as follows:  
3     8. THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SHALL CREATE AND KEEP  
4 CURRENT BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR THE PROVISION OF ADULT PROTECTIVE  
5 SERVICES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE. SUCH GUIDELINES SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED  
6 FOR USE TO LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICTS, AND POSTED ON SUCH OFFICE'S  
7 WEBSITE, AND SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE PROCEDURES FOR:  
8     (A) REVIEWING ANY PREVIOUS CHILD OR ADULT PROTECTIVE INVOLVEMENT;  
9     (B) ASSESSING AND IDENTIFYING ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO  
10 BE IN NEED OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES;  
11     (C) INTERVIEWING PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE IN NEED OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
12 AND THEIR CARETAKERS;  
13     (D) REVIEWING WHEN IT IS APPROPRIATE TO SEEK A WARRANT TO GAIN ACCESS  
14 TO PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE IN NEED OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES;  
15     (E) IDENTIFYING AND MAKING REFERRALS FOR APPROPRIATE SERVICES; AND  
16     (F) COMMUNICATING THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR  
17 PROTECTIVE SERVICES.  
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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