10697

IN ASSEMBLY

June 13, 2016

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Gottfried) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to nurse practitioner services provided by home care agencies

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

1 Section 1. Section 3614 of the public health law is amended by adding 2 a new subdivision 3-d to read as follow:

3 3-D. HOME CARE-PRIMARY CARE INITIATIVE. THE COMMISSIONER, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET, AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY 4 THE 5 INCONSISTENT PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER OR THE DEPARTMENT'S RULES AND 6 REGULATIONS, IS AUTHORIZED TO ADJUST OR TO APPROVE SPECIAL RATES OF 7 PAYMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION AND SECTION 8 FORTY-FOUR HUNDRED THREE-F OF THIS CHAPTER FOR THE PROVISION OF NURSE 9 PRACTITIONER SERVICES THROUGH HOME CARE AGENCIES UNDER A HOME CARE-PRI-10 INITIATIVE. SUCH INITIATIVE SHALL BE FOR THE PURPOSES OF MARY CARE 11 PROVIDING OR ENHANCING PRIMARY CARE TO HOME CARE PATIENTS, INCLUDING HOUSE-CALLS TO PATIENTS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND OR WHEN IN-HOME PRIMARY CARE 12 WOULD OTHERWISE FACILITATE ACCESS, QUALITY AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF 13 14 INCLUDING OVERCOMING GEOGRAPHIC RURAL/INNER-CITY BARRIERS CARE, TO 15 PRIMARY CARE. SUCH INITIATIVE SHALL ALSO TARGET PREVENTION OF AVOIDABLE 16 HOSPITALIZATIONS, REHOSPITALIZATIONS, EMERGENCY ROOM NEED AND LONG TERM 17 INSTITUTIONALIZATION.

18 THE COMMISSIONER, IN CONSULTATION WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF HOME CARE 19 AGENCIES AND MANAGED LONG TERM CARE PLANS, SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA AND 20 PROCEDURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SUBDIVISION.

21 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LBD15448-01-6