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Introduced by M. of A. LENTOL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to promotion of public umbilical cord blood banking

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

Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new article 43-C to read as follows:

ARTICLE 43-C

PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING

SECTION 4371. PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING PROGRAM.

S 4371. PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING PROGRAM. 1. THE PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING PROGRAM IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING TO FACILITATE PRE-DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS FOR PUBLIC BANKING OF UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD DONATIONS.

2. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

A. DEVELOP A PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH CAMPAIGN VIA WRITTEN MATERIALS AND BROCHURES TO PROMOTE PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING AWARENESS AND EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND POTENTIAL UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD DONORS OF THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING; AND

B. DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND BROCHURES WHICH SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND POTENTIAL UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD DONORS THROUGH LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH; HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS, INCLUDING OBSTETRICIANS, GYNECOLOGISTS, PEDIATRICIANS, AND MIDWIVES; HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS; HOSPITALS; CLINICS AND WALK-IN MEDICAL CENTERS; AND ORGANIZATIONS SERVING PREGNANT WOMEN.

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

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3. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY GRANTS, AWARDS, OR OTHER FUNDS OR APPROPRIATIONS AS MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS AS TO THE APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES AND AUDIT AS PRESCRIBED FOR STATE FUNDS BY THE STATE FINANCE LAW.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law; provided that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.