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Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. ARROYO -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to requiring the  
office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to develop training  
materials for health care providers and qualified health professionals  
to encourage implementation of the screening, brief intervention, and  
referral to treatment program

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

1 Section 1. Section 19.07 of the mental hygiene law is amended by  
2 adding a new subdivision (l) to read as follows:  
3 (L) THE OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, IN CONSUL-  
4 TATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, SHALL PROVIDE AND PUBLISH, IN  
5 ELECTRONIC OR OTHER FORMAT, TRAINING MATERIALS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVID-  
6 ERS, AS DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT  
7 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW, AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, RECOGNIZED  
8 BY THE OFFICE TO ENABLE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCREENING, BRIEF  
9 INTERVENTION, AND REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PROGRAM (SBIRT). SUCH TRAINING  
10 MATERIALS SHALL INCLUDE ANY AND ALL MATERIALS NECESSARY TO INFORM HEALTH  
11 CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS OF THE METHOD FOR  
12 ADMINISTERING THE SBIRT PROGRAM TO A PATIENT IN THE CARE OF HEALTH CARE  
13 PROVIDERS OR QUALIFIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. SUCH TRAINING MATERIALS  
14 SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND QUALIFIED HEALTH  
15 PROFESSIONALS THROUGH THE OFFICIAL WEBSITES OF THE OFFICE AND THE  
16 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND BY ANY OTHER MEANS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE  
17 COMMISSIONER.  
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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