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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the provision of certain professional services to children's camps

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 1394 of the public health law, as added by chapter 214 of the laws of 2012,is amended to read as follows:

3. (A) Any person, firm, corporation, or association that operates a children's overnight, summer day, or traveling summer day camp, and has obtained a permit pursuant to section thirteen hundred ninety-three of this article, shall be authorized to employ or contract with a physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, registered nurse, or licensed practical nurse or emergency medical technician to act as a designated camp health director or to provide health services in assistance to the camp health director pursuant to applicable regulations promulgated by the commissioner.

(B) ANY NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION THAT OPERATES A CHILDREN'S OVERNIGHT, SUMMER DAY, OR TRAVELING SUMMER DAY CAMP THAT SERVES A POPULATION OF CAMPERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, AND HAS OBTAINED A PERMIT PURSUANT TO SECTION THIRTEEN HUNDRED NINETY-THREE OF THIS ARTICLE AND ANY OTHER PERMITS AS REQUIRED BY LAW, SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACT WITH AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST, PHYSICAL THERAPIST, PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT, PSYCHOLOGIST, SOCIAL WORKER, OR MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONER TO

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

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PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO SUCH CAMPERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN ASSISTANCE TO THE CAMP HEALTH DIRECTOR. THE AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT AND TO PROVIDE SERVICES, AS PROVIDED BY THIS PARAGRAPH, SHALL BE PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSIONER. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH THE TERM "CAMPERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS" SHALL MEAN CAMPERS WHO, BECAUSE OF A MENTAL OR PHYSICAL CONDITION, REQUIRE THE SERVICES OF AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST, PHYSICAL THERAPIST, PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT, PSYCHOLOGIST, SOCIAL WORKER, OR MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONER FOR THERAPEUTIC OR REHABILITATIVE PURPOSES AND SUCH SERVICES ARE REQUIRED IN ORDER FOR SUCH CAMPER TO ATTEND THE CAMP.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.