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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to hospital statements of the rights and responsibilities of patients

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding two new paragraphs (k) and (l) to read as follows:

(K) THE STATEMENT REGARDING PATIENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, REQUIRED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (G) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS INFORMING THE PATIENT OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO CHOOSE TO SUBMIT SURPRISE BILLS OR BILLS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES TO THE INDEPENDENT DISPUTE PROCESS ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE SIX OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES LAW, AND INFORMING THE PATIENT OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO VIEW A LIST OF THE HOSPITAL'S STANDARD CHARGES AND THE HEALTH PLANS THE HOSPITAL PARTICIPATES WITH CONSISTENT WITH SECTION TWENTY-FOUR OF THIS CHAPTER.

(L) THE STATEMENT REGARDING PATIENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, REQUIRED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (G) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS INFORMING THE PATIENT OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO CHOOSE TO IDENTIFY A CAREGIVER PURSUANT TO ARTICLE TWENTY-NINE-CCCC OF THIS CHAPTER.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, 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.

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

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