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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to screening for cytomegalovirus

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 section 2507 to read as follows:

§ 2507. Screening for cytomegalovirus and public education program. It shall be the duty of the administrative officer or other person in charge of each institution caring for infants twenty-eight days or less of age and the person required pursuant to the provisions of section forty-one hundred thirty of this chapter to register the birth of a child, to offer to parents a screen for cytomegalovirus of every such infant or child in their care. Screening, the recording of the results of such screening, tracking and follow-up reviews shall be performed at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by the commissioner.

§ 2. Section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding two new subdivisions 31 and 32 to read as follows:

31. The commissioner is authorized and directed to establish and maintain a public education program which shall develop and publish or approve and publish information materials for individuals who may become pregnant, expectant parents and parents of infants, regarding the incidence of cytomegalovirus, the transmission of cytomegalovirus to pregnant individuals and individuals who may become pregnant, birth defects caused by congenital cytomegalovirus, methods of diagnosing congenital cytomegalovirus and available preventative measures to avoid cytomegalovirus infection of individuals who are pregnant or may become pregnant. The commissioner shall make such information materials available on the department's website and attending health care providers shall make

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

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available such information materials to pregnant individuals during the first trimester of their pregnancy.

32. The commissioner shall add cytomegalovirus (CMV) to its list of screened newborn disorders on the department's website.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.