STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 14, 2018

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

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to medical assistance coverage for medically tailored meals and medical nutrition therapy for the purpose of disease management

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 365-a of the social services law is amended by adding a new paragraph (ff) to read as follows:

(ff) medically tailored meals and medical nutrition therapy. As used in this paragraph, "medically tailored meals and medical nutrition therapy" means nutritional assessment, nutritional therapy, and nutritional counseling provided by a registered dietician nutritionist for the purpose of disease management, including the provision of any food indicated by the nutritional assessment and the delivery of such food, ordered by a health care professional acting within his or her lawful scope of practice under title eight of the education law, where medically indicated for an individual who is limited in his or her activities of daily living by one or more chronic conditions; and provided that there is federal financial participation in the costs of services provided under this paragraph.

§ 2. This act shall take effect one hundred eighty days after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the commissioner of health shall adopt regulations and take other actions reasonably necessary to implement this act on that date.

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

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