

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 16, 2019

Introduced by Sen. RIVERA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to ensuring that temporary protected status beneficiaries continue to receive Medicaid benefits

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

Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section 364-k to read as follows:

§ 364-k. Temporary protected status beneficiary's benefits. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall not cancel, suspend or rescind medical assistance benefits issued to a temporary protected status beneficiary if the federal government ends the designation of temporary protected status for that individual's country of origin.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall extend eligibility for medical assistance benefits to individuals formerly granted temporary protected status if they meet all requirements other than the requirements related to immigration status.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall not cancel, suspend or rescind medical assistance benefits issued to individuals enrolled in the federal deferred action for childhood arrivals program when the program is ended by the federal government.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall extend eligibility for medical assistance benefits to individuals formerly enrolled in the federal deferred action for childhood arrivals program if they meet all requirements other than the requirements related to immigration status.

§ 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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