

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

March 5, 2019

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Introduced by Sens. KRUEGER, BIAGGI, MYRIE, SEPULVEDA, STAVISKY, THOMAS  
-- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to  
the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered  
reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to immunization of  
children who are at least fourteen years of age

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

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section  
2 2167-a to read as follows:

3 § 2167-a. Administering a vaccine to a minor; consent. 1. A health  
4 care practitioner, acting within their lawful scope of practice, may  
5 administer immunizations required under this title to a person who is at  
6 least fourteen years of age without the consent or knowledge of the  
7 parents or guardian of said person, if the minor has capacity to consent  
8 and consents to the immunizations.

9 2. Prior to administering any immunization under this section, the  
10 health care practitioner shall consult with and counsel the minor to  
11 ensure that the minor fully understands and appreciates the nature and  
12 consequences of receiving the immunization, has the capacity to consent,  
13 and that the immunization is not contraindicated by the minor's medical  
14 history.

15 § 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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