

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 10, 2019

Introduced by Sen. CARLUCCI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to duties of providers of service to people with developmental disabilities

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

1 Section 1. Section 16.13 of the mental hygiene law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision (e) to read as follows:

3 (e) Posting a visible notice in a public area visible to employees
4 informing such employees to call 911 in the event of an emergency for
5 programs licensed, certified, operated, authorized or funded by the
6 office. Provided however, for programs required to report incidents of
7 abuse and neglect pursuant to section 16.29 of this article, the notice
8 shall also inform employees that, pursuant to article eleven of the
9 social services law, they shall report to the justice center for the
10 protection of people with special needs if it is believed that abuse or
11 neglect of a service recipient has occurred and in accordance with poli-
12 cies and procedures established pursuant to subdivision five of section
13 four hundred ninety-one of the social services law, contact law enforce-
14 ment if it is believed that such abuse or neglect constitutes a crime;
15 and such notice shall contain the phone number of the justice center
16 hotline and local law enforcement entity.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
18 it shall have become a law.

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

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