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# IN SENATE

February 27, 2020

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 public health law, in relation to requiring parity in the standards of dental telehealth services

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

Section 1. Section 2999-dd of the public health law is amended by adding two new subdivisions 3 and 4 to read as follows:

**3. (a) Dental telehealth services shall adhere to the standards of appropriate patient care required in other dental health care settings, including but not limited to appropriate patient examination, taking of x-rays, and review of a patient's medical and dental history. All dental telehealth providers shall identify themselves to patients, including providing the professional's New York state license number. No dental telehealth provider shall attempt to waive liability for its telehealth services in advance of delivering such telehealth services and no dental telehealth provider shall attempt to prevent a patient from filing any complaint with any governmental agency or authority.**

**(b) This subdivision shall not be construed to diminish requirements for other telehealth services.**

**4. Nothing in this article shall be deemed to allow any person to provide any service for which a license, registration, certification or other authorization under title eight of the education law is required and which the person does not possess.**

§ 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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