

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

September 23, 2020

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the department of health to post on its website certain data relating to COVID-19 cases in hospitals and nursing homes

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

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section  
2 206-c to read as follows:

3 § 206-c. Special requirements with respect to COVID-19 data. 1. For  
4 the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the follow-  
5 ing meanings:

6 (a) "Hospital" has the same meaning as defined by section twenty-eight  
7 hundred one of this chapter, and shall include any temporary health care  
8 facility in New York state established by the state or federal govern-  
9 ment in response to the COVID-19 pandemic or any other pandemic-related  
10 response.

11 (b) "Nursing home" has the same meaning as defined by section twenty-  
12 eight hundred one of this chapter.

13 2. The commissioner shall compile and post on the department's website  
14 in a conspicuous location and in a format capable of download in a  
15 spreadsheet format, the following data on a weekly basis:

16 (a) The total number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 and deaths result-  
17 ing from COVID-19 in nursing homes in New York state;

18 (b) The total number of individuals with a confirmed case of COVID-19  
19 transferred from a nursing home to a hospital in New York state;

20 (c) The total number of confirmed deaths of individuals transferred  
21 from a nursing home to a hospital resulting from a confirmed case of  
22 COVID-19; and

23 (d) The total number of individuals with a confirmed case of COVID-19  
24 discharged from a hospital to a nursing home.

25 3. The data posted pursuant to subdivision two of this section shall  
26 be organized by county, date, nursing home, and hospital, and shall  
27 include data retroactive to March first, two thousand twenty.

28 § 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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