

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. M. L. MILLER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring completion of a training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness for certain medical professionals

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6524-a  
2 to read as follows:

3 § 6524-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
4 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physi-  
5 cians, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall  
6 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with  
7 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

8 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
9 department in conjunction with the department of health.

10 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
11 following:

12 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
13 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

14 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
15 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
16 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

17 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
18 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
19 ity.

20 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
21 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
22 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
23 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
24 ing program.

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

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1 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
2 physicians licensed under this article shall complete six hours of  
3 training biennially.

4 § 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6541-a to  
5 read as follows:

6 § 6541-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
7 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physi-  
8 cian assistants, in order to maintain his or her license in good stand-  
9 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of  
10 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
11 illness.

12 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
13 department in conjunction with the department of health.

14 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
15 following:

16 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
17 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

18 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
19 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
20 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

21 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
22 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
23 ity.

24 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
25 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
26 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
27 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
28 ing program.

29 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
30 physician assistants licensed under this article shall complete six  
31 hours of training biennially.

32 § 3. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6554-b to  
33 read as follows:

34 § 6554-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
35 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All chiro-  
36 practors, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,  
37 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those  
38 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

39 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
40 department in conjunction with the department of health.

41 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
42 following:

43 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
44 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

45 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
46 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
47 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

48 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
49 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
50 ity.

51 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
52 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
53 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
54 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
55 ing program.

1 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
2 chiropractors licensed under this article shall complete six hours of  
3 training biennially.

4 § 4. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6604-c to  
5 read as follows:

6 § 6604-c. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
7 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All  
8 dentists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,  
9 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those  
10 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

11 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
12 department in conjunction with the department of health.

13 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
14 following:

15 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
16 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

17 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
18 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
19 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

20 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
21 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
22 ity.

23 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
24 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
25 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
26 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
27 ing program.

28 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
29 dentists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of train-  
30 ing biennially.

31 § 5. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6608-e to  
32 read as follows:

33 § 6608-e. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
34 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dental  
35 assistants, in order to maintain his or her certification in good stand-  
36 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of  
37 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
38 illness.

39 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
40 department in conjunction with the department of health.

41 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
42 following:

43 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
44 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

45 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
46 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
47 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

48 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
49 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
50 ity.

51 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
52 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
53 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
54 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
55 ing program.

1 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
2 dental assistants certified under this article shall complete six hours  
3 of training biennially.

4 § 6. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6609-c to  
5 read as follows:

6 § 6609-c. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
7 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dental  
8 hygienists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,  
9 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those  
10 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

11 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
12 department in conjunction with the department of health.

13 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
14 following:

15 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
16 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

17 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
18 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
19 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

20 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
21 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
22 ity.

23 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
24 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
25 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
26 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
27 ing program.

28 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
29 dental hygienists licensed under this article shall complete six hours  
30 of training biennially.

31 § 7. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6734-a to  
32 read as follows:

33 § 6734-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
34 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physical  
35 therapists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,  
36 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those  
37 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

38 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
39 department in conjunction with the department of health.

40 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
41 following:

42 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
43 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

44 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
45 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
46 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

47 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
48 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
49 ity.

50 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
51 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
52 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
53 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
54 ing program.

1 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
2 physical therapists licensed under this article shall complete six hours  
3 of training biennially.

4 § 8. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6740-a to  
5 read as follows:

6 § 6740-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
7 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physical  
8 therapist assistants, in order to maintain his or her certification in  
9 good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treat-  
10 ment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and  
11 chronic illness.

12 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
13 department in conjunction with the department of health.

14 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
15 following:

16 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
17 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

18 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
19 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
20 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

21 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
22 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
23 ity.

24 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
25 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
26 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
27 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
28 ing program.

29 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
30 physical therapist assistants certified under this article shall  
31 complete six hours of training biennially.

32 § 9. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6905-a to  
33 read as follows:

34 § 6905-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
35 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All regis-  
36 tered professional nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurse practition-  
37 ers and clinical nurse specialists, in order to maintain his or her  
38 license or certificate in good standing, shall complete a biennial  
39 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-  
40 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
4 registered professional nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurse practi-  
5 tioners and clinical nurse specialists licensed or certified under this  
6 article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

7 § 10. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7004-a to  
8 read as follows:

9 § 7004-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All podia-  
11 trists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall  
12 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with  
13 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

14 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
15 department in conjunction with the department of health.

16 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
17 following:

18 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
19 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

20 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
21 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
22 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

23 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
24 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
25 ity.

26 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
27 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
28 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
29 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
30 ing program.

31 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
32 podiatrists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of  
33 training biennially.

34 § 11. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7104-a to  
35 read as follows:

36 § 7104-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
37 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All optome-  
38 trists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall  
39 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with  
40 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in



1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
4 optometrists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of  
5 training biennially.

6 § 12. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7603-a to  
7 read as follows:

8 § 7603-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
9 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All psychol-  
10 ogists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall  
11 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with  
12 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

13 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
14 department in conjunction with the department of health.

15 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
16 following:

17 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
18 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

19 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
20 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
21 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

22 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
23 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
24 ity.

25 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
26 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
27 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
28 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
29 ing program.

30 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
31 psychologists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of  
32 training biennially.

33 § 13. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7704-a to  
34 read as follows:

35 § 7704-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
36 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All licensed  
37 master social workers and licensed clinical social workers, in order to  
38 maintain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial  
39 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-  
40 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
4 licensed master social workers and licensed clinical social workers  
5 licensed under this article shall complete six hours of training bienni-  
6 ally.

7 § 14. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7904-b to  
8 read as follows:

9 § 7904-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All occupa-  
11 tional therapists and occupational therapy assistants, in order to main-  
12 tain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial  
13 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-  
14 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

15 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
16 department in conjunction with the department of health.

17 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
18 following:

19 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
20 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

21 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
22 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
23 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

24 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
25 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
26 ity.

27 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
28 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
29 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
30 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
31 ing program.

32 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
33 occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants licensed  
34 under this article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

35 § 15. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8004-a to  
36 read as follows:

37 § 8004-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
38 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dieti-  
39 tians and nutritionists, in order to maintain his or her certification  
40 in good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on the  
41 treatment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and  
42 chronic illness.

43 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
44 department in conjunction with the department of health.

45 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
46 following:

47 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
48 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

49 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
50 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
51 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

52 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
53 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
54 ity.

55 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
56 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,



1 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
2 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
3 ing program.

4 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
5 dietitians and nutritionists certified under this article shall complete  
6 six hours of training biennially.

7 § 16. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8206-b to  
8 read as follows:

9 § 8206-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All speech-  
11 language pathologists and audiologists, in order to maintain his or her  
12 license in good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on  
13 the treatment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities  
14 and chronic illness.

15 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
16 department in conjunction with the department of health.

17 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
18 following:

19 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
20 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

21 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
22 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
23 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

24 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
25 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
26 ity.

27 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
28 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
29 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
30 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
31 ing program.

32 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
33 speech-language pathologists and audiologists licensed under this arti-  
34 cle shall complete six hours of training biennially.

35 § 17. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8413 to  
36 read as follows:

37 § 8413. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellectual  
38 and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All mental health  
39 counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychoanalysts, and creative  
40 arts therapists, in order to maintain his or her license in good stand-  
41 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of  
42 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
43 illness.

44 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
45 department in conjunction with the department of health.

46 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
47 following:

48 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
49 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

50 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
51 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
52 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

53 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
54 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
55 ity.

1     5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
2 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
3 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
4 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
5 ing program.

6     6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
7 mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychoana-  
8 lysts, and creative arts therapists licensed under this article shall  
9 complete six hours of training biennially.

10     § 18. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8504-b to  
11 read as follows:

12     § 8504-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
13 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All respir-  
14 atory therapists and respiratory therapy technicians, in order to main-  
15 tain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial  
16 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-  
17 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

18     2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
19 department in conjunction with the department of health.

20     3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
21 following:

22     a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
23 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

24     b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
25 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
26 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

27     4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
28 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
29 ity.

30     5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
31 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
32 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
33 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
34 ing program.

35     6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
36 respiratory therapists and respiratory therapy technicians licensed  
37 under this article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

38     § 19. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8804-a to  
39 read as follows:

40     § 8804-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-  
41 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All licensed  
42 behavior analysts or certified behavior analyst assistants, in order to  
43 maintain his or her license or certification in good standing, shall  
44 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with  
45 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

46     2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the  
47 department in conjunction with the department of health.

48     3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the  
49 following:

50     a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online  
51 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

52     b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are  
53 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic  
54 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

1     4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall  
2 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-  
3 ity.

4     5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of  
5 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,  
6 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in  
7 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-  
8 ing program.

9     6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all  
10 licensed behavior analysts or certified behavior analyst assistants  
11 licensed or certified under this article shall complete six hours of  
12 training biennially.

13     § 20. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a  
14 law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any  
15 rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its  
16 effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such  
17 effective date.