

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 12, 2022

Introduced by Sen. REICHLIN-MELNICK -- 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 nursing residency
programs in hospitals and nursing homes

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 2801-j to read as follows:

3 § 2801-j. Nursing residency program in hospitals and nursing homes.

4 1. Each general hospital and nursing home licensed pursuant to the
5 provisions of this article may partner with a post-secondary institution
6 within the state to create a proposal for the development and implemen-
7 tation or improvement and continuation of a nursing residency program.
8 Such proposals shall be subject to approval by the department.

9 2. The purpose of such nursing residency programs shall be to assist
10 recent graduates transition to specialty practice areas as well as
11 assist experienced nurses in transitioning to a different specialty
12 practice area.

13 3. The department shall, in collaboration with the state education
14 department, determine if the proposals submitted appropriately incorpo-
15 rate an evidence-based curriculum designed to decrease turnover, improve
16 decision-making skills, enhance clinical nursing leadership practices,
17 promote the use of research-based evidence into practice and accomplish
18 any other goals as determined by the commissioner.

19 4. If the commissioner determines the proposals submitted satisfy the
20 purpose and criteria detailed in subdivisions two and three of this
21 section, the commissioner may release funds to the general hospital or
22 nursing home which submitted the plan to offset the costs of developing
23 and implementing the nursing residency program.

24 5. The corporation is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations,
25 and may promulgate emergency regulations, necessary for the implementa-
26 tion of the provisions of this section.

27 § 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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