

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

April 3, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring hospitals and residential health care facilities to implement a pressure ulcer prevention program

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

1 Section 1. Section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding
2 a new subdivision 15 to read as follows:

3 15. (a) The commissioner shall require each general hospital and resi-
4 dential health care facility to develop and implement a pressure ulcer
5 prevention program.

6 (b) Within one hundred twenty days of the effective date of this
7 subdivision, the commissioner shall evaluate current reimbursement poli-
8 cies in regard to pressure ulcer prevention programs including durable
9 medical equipment, education and training. Within six months after such
10 effective date, the commissioner shall develop a menu of reimbursement
11 alternatives that would reduce the incidence of pressure ulcers across
12 all health care settings.

13 (c) By October first, two thousand twenty-four the commissioner shall
14 establish a pressure ulcer prevention center of excellence within the
15 department. Such center shall consult with experts across the world and
16 seek private philanthropic support.

17 § 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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