

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

January 21, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to permitting specialist assistants to prescribe controlled substances as a practitioner

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 3712 to read as follows:

3 § 3712. Prescriptions for controlled substances. A registered
4 specialist assistant, in good faith and acting within their lawful scope
5 of practice, and to the extent assigned by their supervising physician,
6 may prescribe controlled substances as a practitioner under article
7 thirty-three of this chapter, to patients under the care of such physi-
8 cian responsible for their supervision. The commissioner, in consulta-
9 tion with the commissioner of education, may promulgate such regulations
10 as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

11 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
12 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
13 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
14 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
15 completed on or before such effective date.

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

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