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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. O'PHARROW -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to establishing  
integrated community mental health clinics

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

1 Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section  
2 41.59 to read as follows:  
3 § 41.59 Integrated community mental health clinics.  
4 (a) The commissioner is authorized, within appropriations made there-  
5 for, to establish integrated community mental health clinics.  
6 (b) The commissioner shall establish standards for the operation and  
7 funding of such clinics, including but not limited to:  
8 1. guidelines for integrated services to address mental health issues,  
9 anger management issues, substance abuse issues and isolation issues;  
10 2. periodic evaluation of services provided by such clinics;  
11 3. staffing patterns for such clinics; and  
12 4. guidelines for determining state aid to such clinics.  
13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
14 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or  
15 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of  
16 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed  
17 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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