§ 1394-c. Camps for children with developmental disabilities. 1. Camps for children with developmental disabilities, as defined in regulations, and in compliance with the justice center for the protection of people with special needs, shall be authorized to employ or contract with any of the individuals licensed under articles one hundred thirty-two, one hundred thirty-six, one hundred fifty-six, one hundred fifty-nine, one hundred sixty-two and one hundred sixty-seven of the education law, to provide professional services for any period during which the camp has a valid permit to operate. Individuals hired under this section shall communicate with the camp health director when medically necessary for the sole purpose of providing health services that benefit campers and staff at the camp while the camp is in operation. In cases where the camp health director's lawful scope of practice is more limited than that of the licensed professional providing services, the camp health director shall not supervise the provision of such treatment, but shall be informed of such treatment as medically necessary to ensure the well-being of the camper and staff.

2. All decisions, identification or coordination of professional services, or other professional interactions with campers and staff, must be made based on the professional judgment of such licensees to provide professional services within his or her lawful scope of practice for the purpose of treating campers and staff during their attendance or employment at such camp, pursuant to applicable regulations promulgated by the commissioner in consultation with the commissioner of education.

3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of another state agency if such state agency is otherwise authorized under another provision of law to certify, license, contract or authorize such camp, nor shall the authority to hire licensed professionals pursuant to this section be construed to provide an exemption of such camp from any certification, licensure, or any other such requirement established by such state agency or under any other provision of law.