## LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2016

No. 123

Introduced by Council Members Cumbo, Crowley, Dickens, Rose, Cohen, Van Bramer, Lander, Levin, Kallos and Barron.

## A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the use of trauma-informed care in city correctional facilities

*Be it enacted by the Council as follows:* 

Section 1. Chapter 1 of Title 9 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 9-145 to read as follows:

§ 9-145 Trauma-informed care

a. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Trauma-informed care. The term "trauma-informed care" means trauma-informed care as described by the substance abuse and mental health services administration of the United States department of health and human services, or any successor agency, department, or governmental entity.

Staff. The term "staff" means any employee of the department or any person who regularly provides health or counseling services directly to inmates.

b. Training. The department shall identify where trauma-informed care is appropriate and provide training for all appropriate staff on such care. Such training shall be consistent with standards developed by the substance abuse and mental health services administration of the United States department of health and human services.

c. Usage. The department shall establish guidelines for the use of trauma-informed care consistent with standards developed by the substance abuse and mental health services administration of the United States department of health and human services. The department shall monitor staff to ensure that trauma-informed care is appropriately utilized in all city correctional facilities.

d. Reporting. No later than 90 days from January 1 of each year, beginning in 2018, the department shall provide to the council and publish on its website an annual report regarding its use of trauma-informed care. Such report shall include but not be limited to information regarding the number of employees trained in such care, a description of the guidelines promulgated pursuant to subdivision c of this section, and any programing that utilizes trauma-informed care. Such report shall be stored permanently on the department's website and shall be provided in a format that permits automated processing where appropriate. Each report shall include a comparison of the current year to the prior five years, where such information is available.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 6 months after it becomes law.

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on September 28, 2016 and approved by the Mayor on October 18, 2016.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

## CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 123 of 2016, Council Int. No. 1144-A of 2016) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel