**Plain Language Summary**

**Current Introduction Number:**

Int. No. 1968

**Prime Sponsors:**

By Council Members Eugene, Kallos and Chin

**Bill Title:**

A Local Law in relation to providing mental health counseling to healthcare professionals who provided healthcare services during the COVID-19 pandemic, and providing for the expiration and repeal of such requirement

**Bill Summary:**

**This plain language summary is for informational purposes only and does not substitute for legal counsel. For more information, you should review the full text of the bill, which is available online at legistar.council.nyc.gov.**

This bill would require the Mayor to establish a program for the purpose of promoting access to mental health counseling among healthcare professionals who may be dealing with post-traumatic stress disorder or other negative mental health effects of providing healthcare services during the COVID-19 pandemic. Such program would provide mental health counseling to such professionals or reimburse such professionals for the costs of such counseling.

**Effective Date:**

120 days after becoming law

**Legislative Impact:**

**Agency Rulemaking Required**: Is City agency rulemaking required?

**Report Required**: Is a report due to Council required?

**Sunset Date Included**: Does the legislation have a sunset date?

**Council Appointment Required**: Is an appointment by the Council required?

**Other Appointment Required**: Are other appointments not by the Council required?

**Note:** In the full bill text online at legistar.council.nyc.gov, language in proposed consolidated laws that is enclosed by [brackets] would be deleted, and language that is underlined would be new. Language in proposed unconsolidated laws, in contrast, will not have brackets or underlining because it would be entirely new. Consolidation means that the law would be placed in the New York City Charter or Administrative Code.

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