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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring optional HIV/AIDS tests when anyone is released from a department of juvenile justice facility or a corrections facility.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter one of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-104.1 to read as follows:

§ 17-104.1 HIV/AIDS testing. a. For the purposes of this section, the following term shall be defined as follows:

“HIV/AIDS test” shall mean any one of the seven FDA-approved rapid HIV tests.

b. The department shall also offer a free HIV/AIDS test to anyone released from a department of juvenile justice facility or a corrections facility after serving more than six months time. The department shall provide a waiver form for signature to any person refusing such a test acknowledging that they have chosen to opt-out of such test.

c. If the offer to test pursuant to subdivision b of this section is accepted the department must make every reasonable attempt to contact the individual with results and counseling as to any needed health care services.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect sixty days after its enactment into law.

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