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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to health services in city correctional facilities.

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 17-199 to read as follows:

§ 17-199 Health services in correctional facilities. a. The department shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council no later than July 15, 2015, and every three months thereafter, a report regarding the medical and mental health services provided to inmates in city correctional facilities during the previous three calendar months that includes, but need not be limited to:

- (i) performance indicators reported to the department by any entity providing such services;
- (ii) a description of the methodology used in measuring such performance;
- (iii) the metrics utilized to determine whether such performance measures meet targets established by the department and any entity providing such services;
- (iv) the results of such determinations; and
- (v) any actions that the department has taken or plans to take in response to the data reported, including the imposition of liquidated damages.

b. The report required by subdivision a of this section shall also be posted on the department's website, with the data in such report posted in a non-proprietary searchable machine-readable format, and shall be

maintained on such website for no fewer than ten years.

c. If no such performance indicators relating to (i) intake, (ii) follow-up care, (iii) patient safety, (iv) preventable hospitalizations, or (v) preventable errors in medical care, are reported to the department, the department shall include performance data relating to such indicators as a part of the report required by subdivision a of this section.

d. Notwithstanding any other requirement of this section, personally identifiable information contained in health records shall not be included in the report required by subdivision a of this section if such disclosure of such information would violate any federal, state or local law or regulation.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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