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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring access to substance abuse treatment for transgender, gender non-conforming, non-binary, and intersex individuals

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 9-107 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

§ 9-107 Narcotics treatment program. a. [The commissioner of correction] Correctional health services, or any entity with which the department of correction or the department of health and mental hygiene contracts to provide healthcare for incarcerated individuals, shall establish a program for the treatment of [heroin addicts] substance abuse through the use of [methadone hydrochloride therapy] medication assisted treatment, including the administration of methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone. The program shall be available on a voluntary basis only to such [inmates] incarcerated individuals as apply, subject to a medical evaluation, before acceptance, of their need for such treatment.

b. [The commissioner of correction shall provide for the continuance of such treatment by establishing parole procedures and after-care evaluation and implementation after the incarceration has terminated, during the period of parole.] The commissioner of correction shall ensure that any housing unit in which transgender, intersex, non-binary, or gender non-conforming individuals are housed has access to the same substance abuse treatment as other incarcerated individuals. Such treatment shall only be given voluntarily and based on the exercise of professional medical judgment of a medical provider following consultation between such medical provider and the incarcerated person.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 90 days after it becomes law.

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