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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the provision of information about pediatric emergency rooms

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-199.12 to read as follows:

§ 17-199.12 Information regarding pediatric emergency rooms. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Child care program. The term “child care program” means a child care program as defined in section 47.01 of the of the health code of the city of New York.

Pediatric emergency room. The term “pediatric emergency room” means an emergency room of a hospital that specializes in treatment of children and adolescents.

Student. The term “student” means any child who is enrolled in pre-kindergarten through grade eight in a school of the city school district of the city of New York, any child who is enrolled in an early education center with which the department of education contracts to provide pre-kindergarten, and any child who is enrolled in a free full-day early education program for three-year-old children offered by the department of education.

b. The department shall maintain, and post on the department’s website, a list of pediatric emergency rooms which includes information about such emergency rooms including their locations and available medical

services. In addition, the department shall:

1. Provide such list to the 311 customer service center to be posted on the 311 customer service website and to be made available by operators of the 311 system to any caller requesting information about pediatric emergency rooms;

2. Coordinate with hospitals to provide such list to the parents of every infant born in the city whose birth has been reported to the department;

3. Provide such list to pediatricians practicing in the city with materials indicating that such list should be distributed to parents and guardians; and

4. Provide such list to the department of education and each child care program to be distributed to the parents and guardians of every student and every child enrolled in a child care program at least once a year.

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

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