



Legislation Text

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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of homeless services to report on seniors that move into shelters from a nursing home, long term care facility or other adult care facility or program

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision b of section 21-317 of the administrative code of New York, as added by local law number 114 for the year 2017, is amended to read as follows:

b. Not later than September 1, 2018, and no later than September 1 annually thereafter, the department shall submit to the speaker of the council and post on its website a report regarding information on medical health services provided to homeless individuals for the preceding calendar year. The first such report shall be preliminary, and limited to the data reasonably available to the department for the preceding calendar year. Such reports shall include, but not be limited to, the following information and shall be disaggregated by whether such medical health services are provided to single adults, adult families or families with children:

1. The number of shelters, domestic violence shelters, and HASA facilities with on-site medical health services, as well as the total number of shelters, domestic violence shelters and HASA facilities;
2. A description of the medical health services in each intake center;
3. A description of the medical health services provided at drop-in centers and safe havens;
4. A description of the medical health services provided to the unsheltered homeless population, including but not limited to the number of clients served by a provider under contract or similar agreement with the department to provide medical health services to the unsheltered homeless population, and the number of

clients transported to the hospital;

5. A list of the 10 most common medical health issues for adults living in shelters, as self-reported at intake/assessment, and the 10 most common medical health issues for children living in shelters, as self-reported at intake/assessment;

6. A list of the 10 most common medical health issues for adults living in shelters and the 10 most common medical health issues for children living in shelters, as reported by providers under contract or similar agreement with the department to provide medical services in shelter;

7. The number of individuals new to the shelter system discharged from a hospital to a shelter;

8. The number of individuals new to the shelter system discharged from a nursing home, long term care facility, or other non-hospital adult care facility or program to a shelter, disaggregated by type of facility, borough, and community district;

9. Any metrics relevant to the provision of medical health services reported to the department by any entity providing such services; and

10. No later than September 1, 2020 and every three years thereafter, the most frequent causes of hospitalizations, excluding HIV or AIDS, for homeless adults based on information available through SPARCS.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.