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By The Public Advocate (Mr. Williams) and Council Members Kallos, Gibson and Van Bramer

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to signage regarding transgender rights and services at hospitals

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 17-167.2 to read as follows:

§ 17-167.2 Signage regarding transgender rights and services at hospitals. a. Transgender patient rights. No later than March 1, 2021, the department shall distribute signs on transgender patient rights to every hospital in the city. Such signage shall include, but need not be limited to, information on the right to be referred to by an individual's preferred name, title, gender and pronoun.

- b. Transgender-specific services offered. Within six months of the effective date of the local law that added this section, to the extent practicable, the department shall:
- 1. Coordinate with every hospital in the city to determine the services offered by each hospital related to a transgender individual's medical transition and any other transgender-specific services offered;
- 2. Establish guidance to encourage hospitals to list and conspicuously post the transgender-specific services offered by each hospital and provide such guidance to every hospital in the city; and
 - 3. Post such guidance conspicuously on the department's website.
- § 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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