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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to permitting incarcerated individuals in city jails to choose the gender of their doctor

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 9 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 9-163 to read as follows:

§ 9-163 Gender specific doctors. Any incarcerated individual in the custody of the department who requests a physician of such incarcerated individual's gender shall be treated by such physician unless so providing would substantially impact the safety or security of such individual, in which case such request must be fulfilled after such safety or security risk has abated. For the purposes of this section, the term "gender" has the same meaning as that set forth in section 8-102.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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