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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to providing de-escalation and self-defense training to fire department employees providing emergency medical services

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 15 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 15-147 to read as follows:

§ 15-147 De-escalation and self-defense training. The department shall develop de-escalation and self-defense training for employees of the department who provide emergency medical services. Such training shall be designed to address the unique characteristics and operations of emergency medical services, with a particular focus on violent situations in the context of patient care. Such training shall include, but need not be limited to, recognition and understanding of mental illness and distress, effective communication skills, conflict de-escalation techniques, and self-defense techniques. The department shall offer such training no less frequently than once per calendar year.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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