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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a health survey of migrants, including recent arrivals and asylum seekers, and to repeal such amendments upon the expiration thereof

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 1 of chapter 1 of title 3 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 3-123 to read as follows:

§ 3-123 a. Anonymous survey of migrants. No later than October 31, 2024, a mayoral office or agency to be designated by the mayor, in coordination with the mayor's office of immigrant affairs and any other mayoral office or agency designated by the mayor, shall develop a health survey of migrants, including specifically those who have arrived recently and those who seek asylum. The survey shall be anonymous and shall elicit information related to, but not limited to, long-term health needs, chronic conditions, and healthcare access needs of such migrants.

b. No later than November 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the office or agency designated by the mayor under subdivision a of this section shall provide to case managers and onsite staff such survey so they may provide it to migrants seeking assistance in City-operated locations including, but not limited to, humanitarian emergency response and relief centers, emergency shelters, respite centers, and asylum seeker resource navigation centers. Such survey shall be offered in English, the designated citywide languages, and temporary languages. The results of the survey shall be provided to the commissioner of the office or agency designated by the mayor upon completion no later than May 31, 2025.

c. No later than September 30, 2025, and annually thereafter, the commissioner of the office or agency designated by the mayor under subdivision a of this section shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council and shall post conspicuously on the department's website a report regarding but not limited to long-term health needs, chronic conditions, and healthcare access needs of the migrants surveyed pursuant to subdivision b of this section. The report shall set forth the aggregated information captured in the results of the survey described in subdivision a of this section, recommend ways to identify and anticipate health needs of migrants, including specifically those who have arrived recently and those who seek asylum, and include a data dictionary.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 30 days after it becomes law, and expires and is deemed repealed on the later of: (1) December 30, 2029; (2) the expiration of the state of emergency relating to the arrival of asylum seekers declared pursuant to emergency executive order number 224, dated October 7, 2022, as subsequently amended and extended; or (3) the expiration of the state disaster emergency relating to the arrival of asylum seekers and migrants declared by the governor in executive order number 28, dated May 9, 2023, as subsequently amended and extended.

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