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By Council Member Louis

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to culturally competent training on recognizing the signs of female genital mutilation

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 3-180 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 38 for the year 2019 and amended by local law number 109 for the year 2021, is amended by adding a new definition of "female genital mutilation and cutting" and a new definition of "relevant agencies" in alphabetical order to read as follows:

Female genital mutilation and cutting. The term "female genital mutilation and cutting" means partially or totally removing clitoral or labial tissue or altering the structure or function of clitoral or labial tissue for non-medical purposes, including, but not limited to, circumcision, clitorectomy, clitoroplasty, clitoral reduction, clitoral revision, clitoral recession, excision or infibulation of the whole or any part of the labia majora or labia minora or clitoris. Such term does not include a procedure immediately necessary to preserve the health of the person on whom it is performed in the course of medical treatment or for gender affirming treatment as requested by the person on whom it is performed when either procedure (i) is performed by a person licensed in the place of its performance as a medical practitioner; or (ii) is performed on a person in labor or who has just given birth and is performed for medical purposes connected with that labor or birth by a person licensed in the place it is performed as a medical practitioner, midwife or person in training to become such a practitioner or midwife.

Relevant agencies. The term "relevant agencies" means the department of education, the department of

health, the police department, the administration for children's services, the mayor's office to end domestic and gender-based violence, and service providers who work with families and contract with such agencies.

§ 2. Subchapter 8 of chapter 1 of title 3 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as renumbered by section one of this local law, is amended by adding a new section 3-185 to read as follows:

§ 3-185 Training on recognizing the signs of female genital mutilation and cutting. Relevant agencies shall conduct culturally competent training for all staff on recognizing the signs of female genital mutilation and cutting. Such training shall include information on resources for individuals who have undergone physical or psychological trauma.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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