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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to supportive housing eligibility for justice involved persons

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-153 to read as follows:

§ 21-153 Supportive housing eligibility for justice involved persons. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Justice system involvement. The term “justice system involvement” means when an individual is involuntarily confined by the city, state, or federal government, including, but not limited to, within a jail, prison, outposted therapeutic facility, and mental health court involved residential stay programs.

Supportive housing. The term “supportive housing” means affordable permanent housing with support services for residents.

b. The commissioner shall require that any supportive housing administered and wholly funded by the city includes, but need not be limited to, eligibility for the following populations:

1. Single adults or adult families where the head of household has a severe mental illness, substance use disorder, or both, is homeless or at risk of homelessness, and has had justice system involvement in the last 12 months; and

2. Families with children where the head of household has a severe mental illness, substance use

disorder, or both, is homeless or at risk of homelessness, and has had justice system involvement in the last 12 months.

§ 2. This local law takes effect in 60 days.

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