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..Title

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of education to provide information on the local 988 suicide and crisis lifeline and other related resources

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 21-A of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 29 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 29

DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION REGARDING SUICIDE PREVENTION

§ 21-1000 Distribution of information regarding suicide prevention. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the term “school” means a school of the city school district of the city of New York.

b. No later than September 15, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department shall distribute to each school, to be shared with every student of such school, the following information in writing, in hard copy, or electronically if availability of similar documents occurs electronically, using plain, simple, and age-appropriate language:

1. The 988 suicide and crisis lifeline number;

2. Information about suicide, including warning signs, risk factors, and prevention; and

3. Any other information that the department deems relevant.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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