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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to permitting inmates in city jails to choose the gender of their doctor

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 9 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding

a new section 9-153 to read as follows:

§ 9-153 Gender specific doctors. Any inmate in the custody of the department of correction receiving

medical treatment pursuant to chapter 3 of title 40 of the rules of the city of New York or any successor statute

who requests a physician of such inmate's gender shall be treated by such physician unless so providing would

substantially impact the safety or security of such inmate, in which case such request must be fulfilled after

such safety or security risk has abated. For the purposes of this section, the term "gender" has the same

meaning as that set forth in subdivision 23 of section 8-102.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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