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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to an outreach and education campaign on the benefits and services provided by doulas and midwives

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Paragraphs 9 and 10 of subdivision b of section 3-119.6 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by a local law of the city of New York for the year 2022, relating to education about city standards for respectful care at birth, as proposed in introduction number 86-A for the year 2022, are amended to read as follows:

9. (a) The city's standards for respectful care at birth;

(b) Information regarding:

(1) The right to be free from discrimination in relation to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition, as such right is provided by the city human rights law in chapter 1 of title 8;

(2) Reasonable workplace accommodations for persons who are pregnant or were recently pregnant and caregivers, including those guaranteed by the city human rights law;

(3) Rights for a person who is pregnant or was recently pregnant under: (i) the disability benefits law and the paid family leave benefits law, as described in article 9 of the workers compensation law; (ii) the earned safe and sick time act, as provided in chapter 8 of title 20; and (iii) subchapter 6 of chapter 12 of title 20; and

(4) How to access information published by the New York state department of health on appointing a

health care proxy; [and]

10. The services offered by doulas, as such term is defined in section 17-199.10, and midwives, as such term is defined in section 17-199.17, the evidence-based benefits of such services, and free and low-cost resources related to such services in the city; and

11. Any other rights related to reproductive health care that the administering agency deems appropriate.

§ 2. Section 3-119.6 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by a local law of the city of New York for the year 2022, relating to education about city standards for respectful care at birth, as proposed in introduction number 86-A for the year 2022, is amended by adding a new subdivision c to read as follows:

c. Reporting. No later than June 30, 2024 and by June 30 every five years thereafter, the administering agency shall submit to the mayor and speaker of the council, and post online, a report describing the methods of targeted outreach used to comply with paragraph 10 of subdivision b of this section.

§ 3. This local law takes effect on the same date that a local law amending the administrative code of the city of New York, relating to education about city standards for respectful care at birth, as proposed in introduction number 86-A for the year 2022, takes effect.