

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2023**

No. 19

Introduced by Council Members Hudson, Lee, Schulman, Richardson Jordan, Brewer, Avilés, Menin, Louis, Dinowitz, Hanif, Sanchez, Restler, Velázquez, Barron, Stevens, Won, Krishnan, Gutiérrez, Narcisse, De La Rosa, Abreu, Ossé, Cabán, Nurse, Joseph, Bottcher, Brooks-Powers, Farías, Ung, Riley, Brannan, Powers, Williams, Rivera, Gennaro and Paladino.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to cultural programming relevant to prevalent spoken languages at older adult centers

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-210 to read as follows:

§ 21-210 Cultural programming relevant to prevalent spoken languages at older adult centers.

a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Older adult. The term “older adult” means a person 60 years of age or older.

Older adult center. The term “older adult center” means a facility, other than a social adult day care, operated by a person pursuant to a contract with the department to provide services to older adults on a regular basis including, but not limited to meals, recreation, and counseling.

Prevalent spoken language. The term “prevalent spoken language” means a language, other than English, spoken by 20 percent or more of older adults.

b. The department shall identify the communities served by each older adult center and the prevalent spoken languages of such communities, and notify each such center of such prevalent spoken languages at least once annually.

c. The department shall require each older adult center to develop and conduct programming in each prevalent spoken language of such center as identified pursuant to subdivision b of this section. Such programming shall consider the cultural and ethnic background that relates to each prevalent spoken language.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect 120 days after it becomes law.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on January 19, 2023 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on February 21, 2023.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 19 of 2023, Council Int. No. 672-A of 2022) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.