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Dear Speaker Heastie:

I am submitting the 2021 Annual Report of the Assembly Committee on Health. This was a challenging year as the Committee sought to advance measures to address the issues caused by the continuing COVID-19 pandemic and elements of the health care system that faced additional strains due to the spread of the disease. In the face of this challenge, the Committee sought to improve access to and quality of health care throughout New York State.

On behalf of myself and the other members of the Committee, I thank you for your leadership and support during the Legislative Session.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rich Gottfried". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Richard N. Gottfried  
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SECTION I

<b>2021 SUMMARY SHEET</b>
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SUMMARY OF ACTION ON ALL BILLS  
REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON

Health

**TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD: 12**

<u>FINAL ACTION</u>	<u>ASSEMBLY BILLS</u>	<u>SENATE BILLS</u>	<u>TOTAL BILLS</u>
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**BILLS REPORTED FAVORABLE TO:**

CODES	47	0	47
JUDICIARY	0	0	0
WAYS AND MEANS	87	0	87
RULES	13	0	13
FLOOR	39	0	39
TOTAL	186	0	186

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

HELD FOR CONSIDERATION	1	0	1
DEFEATED	0	0	0
ENACTING CLAUSE STRICKEN	18	0	18
<b>REMAINING IN COMMITTEE</b>	402	31	433

**BILLS REFERENCE CHANGED TO:**

<b>TOTAL</b>	1	0	1
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## SECTION II

### Final Action for Committee on Health Bills in 2021

**Important Note:** The “Descriptions” in this section should not be relied on or used for any purpose other than to indicate generally the subject matter of the bill.

<u>BILL/SPONSOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
A.103 (Gunther)	Require the Commissioner of Health (COH) to establish four comprehensive centers for the assessment of children who are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.108-B (Gunther) S.1168-A (Rivera)	Require general hospitals to establish clinical staffing committees to develop staffing plans for their hospitals.	Chapter 155
A.126-A (Gottfried) S.1759-A (Skoufis)	Expand the list of chemicals on the list of emerging contaminants in drinking water and require the COH to make regulations to update the list at least every three years.	Chapter 716
A.146-A (Gottfried) S.1594 (Rivera)	Establish the Living Donor Support Program to reimburse certain expenses that arise due to the act of living organ donation, and require treating practitioners to provide educational materials to transplant-eligible patients.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.155 (Gottfried) S.4965 (Rivera)	Establish an annual automatic recertification process under Medicaid for certain enrollees, and require COH to select a managed long term care plan if an individual does not select a plan during their initial eligibility period.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.159 (Gottfried) S.995 (Hoylman)	Provide that a nursing home patient’s right to sue for injuries may be exercised by the patient’s legal representative or estate.	Reported to Rules
A.160-B (Gottfried) S.2122-A (Rivera)	Require schools to conduct drinking water testing for lead contamination every three years, establish a lead action level threshold and provide remediation funding through clean water infrastructure programs.	Chapter 771
A.169 (Gottfried) S.4646 (Savino)	Eliminate eligible conditions for medical marihuana and allow medical marihuana to be prescribed based on the practitioner’s discretion.	Advanced to Third Reading / Enacting Clause Stricken
A.170 (Gottfried)	Authorize licensed or certified practitioners that are allowed to prescribe a controlled substance to certify patients for medical marihuana.	Advanced to Third Reading / Enacting Clause Stricken
A.175 (Gottfried) S.5327 (Rivera)	Make technical and conforming amendments regarding health care agents and proxies, decisions under the family health care decisions act and nonhospital orders not to resuscitate.	Reported to Codes

<u>BILL/SPONSOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
A.179 (Gottfried) S.2543 (Rivera)	Require Medicaid long term care plans to make payments to home care agencies and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program fiscal intermediaries to support the acquisition of personal protective equipment for home and community based long term care services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.180 (Gottfried) S.1169 (Rivera)	Establish a clinical trial access and education fund within the Department of Health (DOH) to provide grants for services to patients with life-threatening or disabling conditions or diseases in order to participate in a clinical trial.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.182 (Gunther) S.3209 (Salazar)	Authorize the DOH to conduct education and outreach in relation to storage or donation of postnatal tissue and fluids.	Chapter 284
A.187 (Gottfried)	Establish a program in the DOH for synchronization of medications for Medicaid enrollees with chronic illness.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.190 (Gottfried)	Establish criteria that indicates operational authority over a hospital; require approval for establishment authority and assignment or delegation of authority to operate by the Public Health and Health Planning Council (PHHPC).	Advanced to Third Reading
A.191-A (Gottfried) S.1451-A (Rivera)	Require a health equity impact assessment in applications to establish or construct hospitals to the COH or the Public Health and Health Planning Council (PHHPC)	Chapter 766
A.192 (Gottfried) S.1577 (Rivera)	Require that services provided to persons suffering from traumatic brain injuries or qualifying for nursing home diversion and transition services are provided outside of managed care programs.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.195 (Gottfried)	Provide Medicaid coverage for medically-tailored meals and nutrition therapy for chronic conditions.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.196 (Gottfried) S.1576 (Rivera)	Authorize the DOH to take certain actions to strengthen enforcement in adult care facilities and increase civil penalties for violations by adult care facilities.	Advanced to Third Reading
A.204 (Gottfried) S.4685 (Rivera)	Restore the former Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) law's medical futility standard as a basis for writing a DNR order under the Family Health Care Decisions Act and the Surrogate's Court Procedure Act.	Reported to Rules
A.210 (Rosenthal, L.)	Require pre-admission notification of policies authorizing the refusal to follow directives in health care proxies that are contrary to a hospital's operating principles.	Advanced to Third Reading
A.216 (Gottfried)	Authorize retail clinics to provide certain services and direct the COH to make regulations to limit the services offered by retail business entities.	Advanced to Third Reading



<u>BILL/SPONSOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
A.217 (Paulin) S.2736 (Salazar)	Require maternal health care providers to provide pregnant women with a planned cesarean section delivery with information on the risks associated with the procedure.	Passed Assembly
A.220 (Gottfried) S.2123 (Rivera)	Adopt an interstate compact to support and award the development of cures for major diseases.	Reported to Codes
A.226 (Gottfried) S.5255 (Rivera)	Eliminate the Medicaid global spending cap.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.228 (Gottfried) S.2119 (Rivera)	Authorize the collection of source plasma at source plasma donation centers.	Chapter 675
A.232-C (Gottfried)	Increase monetary penalties for violations of the Public Health Law and allocate such funds obtained from violations in nursing home facilities into the Nursing Home Quality Improvement Demonstration Program.	Reported to Codes
A.242 (Gottfried)	Provide coverage for medical marihuana under Medicaid, Child Health Plus, the Insurance Law, the Workers' Compensation System, Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), and the Essential Plan unless it is determined that coverage of medical marihuana under the Essential Plan will result in the loss of federal financial participation.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.244-A (Gottfried)	Establish the Health Emergency Response Data System (HERDS) to collect information from hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers and require the information to be published on the DOH website.	Passed Assembly
A.259-A (Gottfried) S.1414-A (Rivera)	Align requirements for licensing midwifery birth centers with accrediting standards.	Chapter 821
A.264 (Gottfried) S.2531 (Rivera)	Designate at least 25% of the funds deposited into the health care transformation fund for community-based health care providers.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.273 (Gottfried) S.4640 (Rivera)	Require practitioners treating neuromusculoskeletal conditions to consider non-opioid treatments before prescribing opioids.	Advanced to Third Reading
A.274 (Steck)	Authorize the City of Schenectady to modify the fee charged for certified copies of birth and death certificates.	Passed Assembly
A.279-A (Gottfried) S.75-A (Hoylman)	Require vaccinations given to adults to be recorded in the statewide immunization information system or the citywide immunization information system for vaccines administered in New York City.	Reported to Rules
A.293 (Gottfried) S.2117 (Rivera)	Provide a 10% increase in the base episodic rates and the individual rates for Medicaid payments to certified home health agencies.	Reported to Ways and Means

<u>BILL/SPONSOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
A.299-A (Gottfried) S.1578-A (Rivera)	Provide Medicaid coverage for applied behavior analysis services for autism spectrum disorder.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.303-B (Gottfried) S.2539-B (Rivera)	Require Child Health Plus to cover early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.307-A (Gottfried) S.1411-A (Rivera)	Expand the Medicaid coverage period for certain pregnant women to a year following the pregnancy.	Reported to Rules
A.333 (Rosenthal, L.) S.4868 (Kennedy)	Establish the lymphedema and lymphatic diseases research grants program.	Veto 46
A.336-A (Braunstein) S.2966-A (Harckham)	Require prescription of an opioid antagonist with every initial opioid prescription per year.	Chapter 803
A.413 (Rosenthal, L.) S.5258 (Sanders)	Expand medical marihuana qualifying conditions to include dysmenorrhea.	Advanced to Third Reading
A.445 (Paulin)	Require multiple-dwelling property owners to develop and implement written smoking policies.	Reported to Codes
A.520-A (Braunstein)	Establish restrictions on broadcasting images or audio of patients receiving health care treatment without consent.	Advanced to Third Reading
A.528-A (Paulin) S.4478-A (Brouk)	Prohibit the application of pesticides to any playground, athletic or playing fields in certain children's summer camps.	Chapter 783
A.531 (Gottfried)	Expand the medical marihuana program and eliminate certain restrictions.	Enacting clause stricken
A.645-A (Rosenthal, L.) S.2998-A (Harckham)	Authorize certified peer recovery advocate services providers certified by OASAS and credentialed family peer advocates to provide services via telehealth.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.687 (Rosenthal, L.) S.301 (Thomas)	Establish privacy protections and disclosure requirements for the collection of COVID-19 emergency health data.	Reported to Codes

A.737 (Gottfried) S.1620 (Sanders)	Provide access to COVID-19 testing free of charge, regardless of immigration status.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.744 (Wallace) S.5262 (Brooks)	Require certain health clubs to have at least one automated external defibrillator on the premises for access by staff, members, and guests.	Calendar 64
A.783 (Cahill) S.577 (Sanders)	Require the Child Health Plus program to include ostomy equipment and supplies as covered health care services.	Chapter 436
A.832-A (Gottfried) S.3231-A (Sanders)	Place restrictions on health care plans contractual agreements, policies and procedures as they relate to reimbursement, referrals, prescriptions, and treatment options.	Calendar 80
A.879 (Gottfried) S.599 (Benjamin)	Require clinical peer reviewers to be state licensed, and board certified or board eligible in the same or similar specialty as the condition under review.	Calendar 65
A.984 (Gottfried) S.877 (Rivera)	Expand DOH oversight over health policies and practices in Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and local correctional facilities in relation to COVID-19 outbreaks.	Chapter 45
A.985 (Gottfried) S.886 (Rivera)	Clarify that notices of adverse determinations under Medicaid may be sent electronically in certain instances.	Chapter 129
A.986 (Gottfried) S.869 (Hoylman)	Adjust the membership of the Public Health and Health Planning Council.	Chapter 42
A.987 (Solages) S.1296 (Benjamin)	Require the DOH to review and issue a report on the effects of racial and ethnic disparities on breastfeeding rates.	Chapter 64
A.988 (Solages) A.879 (Benjamin)	Require the DOH to review and issue a report on the effects of racial and ethnic disparities on infant mortality.	Chapter 46
A.1010-A (Bronson) S.2022-A (May)	Require the DOH to publish nursing home inspections on their website.	Passed Assembly
A.1052-B (Bronson) S.614-B (May)	Authorize personal and compassionate caregiving visitors for residents of nursing homes in certain instances.	Chapter 89
A.1135 (Paulin) S.568 (Hoylman)	Add “embryo” to the definition of “tissue” for purposes of tissue bank storage.	Calendar 47
A.1150 (Abinanti) S.2968 (Harckham)	Add autism to the list of qualifying conditions for prescription of medical marihuana.	Calendar 68

A.1155 (Peoples-Stokes) S.1374 (Sanders)	Establish a hospital-home care-physician collaborative program to address disparities in health care access or treatment.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.1196 (Rosenthal)	Require the DOH to conduct a study on long range acoustic devices and the effect of exposure on an individual's hearing.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.1253 (Gottfried) S.900 (Rivera)	Establish confidentiality requirements for COVID-19 contact tracing information.	Chapter 62
A.1254 (Bichotte Hermelyn) S.1303 (Salazar)	Require hospitals to adopt and implement protocols for the management of emergency medical conditions related to pregnancy for expectant mothers.	Chapter 66
A.1260 (Paulin) S.870 (Felder)	Establish a procedure to obtain documentation for the issuance of Crohn's and Colitis bathroom access identification cards.	Chapter 43
A.1316 (Cahill) S.1573 (Rivera)	Prohibit the use of an All Products Clause in contracts between behavioral health care providers and managed care organizations.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.1396 (Gottfried) S.3762 (Breslin)	Establish registration and licensure requirements for pharmacy benefit managers and specify their duties and obligations health plans and enrollees.	Chapter 828
A.1523 (Pretlow) S.2212 (Sepulveda)	Prohibit Child Health Insurance Plan approved organizations from denying or limiting the provision of covered health care services by a health care provider based on a provider's decision not to participate in a commercial health care network maintained by such approved organization.	Veto 51
A.1585 (Gottfried) S.2549 (Rivera)	Expand eligibility under the Essential Plan for those with confirmed or suspected cases of COVID-19, regardless of immigration status.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.1587 (Gottfried) S.2127 (Rivera)	Authorize reimbursement to school-based health centers through Medicaid managed care or fee-for-service at their discretion.	Veto 73
A.1615 (Perry) S.213 (Persaud)	Require hospitals and physicians to include school information in the medical records of school-aged children.	Calendar 71
A.1671-A (Gottfried) S.2520 (Rivera)	Delay implementation for the transition of the Preferred Drug Program for 340 providers and HIV Special Needs Plans.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.1923 (Paulin) S.5158 (Lanza)	Require the DOH to publish a list of FDA certified generic products on the DOH website.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.2030 (Rosenthal, L.) S.649-A (Harckham)	Provide Medicaid coverage for medication assisted treatment without prior authorization.	Chapter 720

A.2037 (Dinowitz) S.553 (Sanders)	Require nursing home inspection ratings to be published on the DOH website and on the facility website.	Chapter 441
A.2178 (Pretlow) S.4966 (Rivera)	Require concurring determination only for life-sustaining treatment decisions for patients in hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice, even if the determination is based on a patient's mental illness or developmental disability.	Reported to Codes
A.2211 (Simon) S.3932 (Savino)	Establish a procedure and timeframe for the closure of assisted living residences.	Passed Assembly
A.2251 (Simon) S.3131 (Kavanagh)	Require COH to review and approve the closure of general hospitals or emergency or maternity departments within hospitals.	Calendar 348
A.2275 (Cusick) S.6158 (Lanza)	Expand the Health Care and Wellness Education and Outreach Program to include information and activities aimed at preventing sudden cardiac arrest among student athletes.	Reported to Rules
A.2417 (Barron) S.4766-A (Parker)	Establish presumptive eligibility under Medicaid for youth discharged from juvenile justice facilities.	Reported to Rules
A.2432 (Niou) S.2847 (Kavanagh)	Establish a procedure for the closure of nursing homes.	Reported to Rules
A.2561-B (Woerner) S.4085-A (Hinchey)	Authorize air transport ambulance service providers to store and distribute blood products and administer blood transfusions.	Chapter 779
A.2613 (Sayegh)	Require COH to study the effectiveness and accuracy of devices used by law enforcement to estimate blood alcohol content.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.2634 (Rosenthal) S.4967 (Rivera)	Authorize surrogate decision making for life sustaining treatment based on the patient's wishes or if not reasonably known, based on their best interests.	Reported to Codes
A.2670-B (Hyndman) S.646-B (Sanders)	Require DOH to conduct a study on the incidence of asthma in certain cities and towns.	Chapter 760
A.2682-A (Lupardo) S.4340-A (Hinchey)	Authorize the sale of hemp flower to individuals over the age of 21.	Reported to Codes
A.3118 (Cook)	Expand the Health Care and Wellness Education and Outreach Program to include information on HTLV-1 and HTLV-2.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.3131-A (Kim) S.1080-A (Gounardes)	Establish requirements for nursing homes during an outbreak of communicable disease or infection.	Passed Assembly

A.3132 (Steck) S.1832 (Skoufis)	Require the COH to establish Medicaid reimbursement and billing procedures for complex rehabilitation technology products and services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.3298 (Epstein) S.67 (Hoylman)	Require health care practitioners to provide patients with epilepsy with information about the risk of sudden unexpected death in epilepsy.	Passed Assembly
A.3386 (Cook) S.916 (Sanders)	Establish a mandatory minimum period of hospital confinement following childbirth.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.3397 (Kim) S.5177 (Biaggi)	Eliminate the Emergency or Disaster Treatment Protection Act.	Chapter 96
A.3470-B (Gottfried) S.2521-B (Rivera)	Require hospital bills to be itemized and consolidated; COH to develop a uniform financial liability form to be used by hospitals and a uniform financial assistance application; establish a maximum interest rate threshold for medical debt from hospitals.	Passed Senate
A.3522 (Peoples-Stokes) S.6358 (Sanders)	Require the DOH to establish a lupus research enhancement program and the lupus research enhancement fund.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.3642 (Rosenthal, L.) S.559 (Harckham)	Require the DOH to seek guidance from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to determine availability of federal financial participation in the Medicaid program for prescription digital therapeutics.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.3919 (Hevesi) S.3058 (Rivera)	Establish requirements for the transfer and discharge of residents from nursing homes.	Chapter 80
A.3970 (Abinanti) S.1140 (Harckham)	Require the county health commissioner to notify elected officials of an emergency which creates risk to public health and safety.	Passed Assembly
A.4073 (Abinanti) S.238 (Thomas)	Authorize reimbursement under Medicaid for the provision of private duty nursing services provided by relatives that are registered professional nurses.	Passed Senate
A.4177 (Lavine) S.2528 (Rivera)	Provide that the due process protections afforded to a health care professional for contract termination from a health care plan are also afforded for non-renewal.	Calendar 171
A.4309 (Gottfried)	Expand protections for eligibility determinations for personal care services to persons with certain conditions.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.4572 (Gottfried) S.4316 (Rivera)	Expand newborn screening requirements to include glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency.	Chapter 730

A.4591-A (Dinowitz) S.4335-A (Benjamin)	Authorize witnessing of a health care proxy to take place remotely using audio-visual technology.	Reported to Rules
A.4594-A (Gottfried) S.5506-A (Hinchey)	Authorize all hospice residence beds to be used for in-patient services.	Chapter 193
A.4652 (Santabarbara) S.4375 (Tedisco)	Authorize forest rangers, park rangers, and environmental conservation police officers to possess and administer epinephrine auto-injectors.	Chapter 194
A.4662-A (Burdick) S.1201-A (Harckham)	Require the DOH and SED to maintain and publish a schedule of training programs and competency exams for out-of-state home care services workers.	Chapter 661
A.4954-B (Pichardo) S.1172-B (Rivera)	Expand the hospital patient's bill of rights to include a patient's right to receive certain information to provide informed consent.	Passed Senate
A.4985-A (Abinanti) S.2527-A (Rivera)	Establish an Office of the State Medical Indemnity Fund Ombudsman and medical indemnity fund advisory panel.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.5061 (Dinowitz) S.4142 (Stavisky)	Prohibit smoking in public parks.	Reported to Rules
A.5062 (Kelles) S.4962 (Reichlin-Melnick)	Require DOH to provide immunization records available to schools via batch downloading.	Chapter 733
A.5158 (Rosenthal, L.) S.3472 (Biaggi)	Require private schools to provide feminine hygiene products free-of-charge.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.5185 (Abinanti) S.2533 (Rivera)	Establish standards for "clean claims" for payment for personal care services, home health care services, consumer directed personal assistance services and other long-term care services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.5339 (Paulin) S.5560-A (Reichlin-Melnick)	Provide for funding for the Early Intervention program through a covered lives assessment on insurance products.	Chapter 820
A.5367-A (Gottfried) S.5028-A (Rivera)	Eliminate certain requirements for eligibility for personal care services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.5368-A (McDonald) S.5118-A (Rivera)	Require Medicaid managed care organizations to reimburse providers for durable medical equipment at the same rate as Medicaid fee-for-service.	Reported to Rules
A.5432 (Pheffer Amato)	Establish an adult cystic fibrosis assistance program in the DOH.	Reported to Ways and Means

A.5460 (Joyner) S.4000 (Rivera)	Establish an insulin workgroup within the DOH and authorize pharmacists to execute non-patient-specific regimens of insulin and supplies in certain circumstances.	Chapter 134
A.5489-B (Solages) S.210-B (Persaud)	Require the DOH to develop an informational pamphlet for patients undergoing pelvic exams.	Chapter 272
A.5499 (Glick) S.470 (Hoylman)	Require COH to conduct a study and report on the impact of limited service pregnancy centers.	Calendar 329
A.5508 (Gunther) S.4684 (Rivera)	Eliminate provisions related to orders not to resuscitate for residents of mental hygiene facilities.	Reported to Codes
A.5517-B (Solages) S.104-B (Persaud)	Prohibit the performance of virginity examinations.	Passed Assembly
A.5668 (Gunther) S.4472 (Jackson)	Establish certification and continuing education requirements for hospital Infection Preventionists.	Calendar 258
A.5684-A (Gottfried) S.4893-A (Rivera)	Establish criteria, notification and disclosure requirements by which to evaluate nursing homes through the certificate of need process.	Chapter 102
A.5685 (Gottfried)	Establish a required resident care spending ratio for nursing homes.	Passed Assembly
A.5713 (Fall) S.6375 (Savino)	Require the COH to conduct a study on ambulatory care health care practices in response to COVID-19.	Chapter 736
A.5841-A (Gottfried) S.2103-A (Sepulveda)	Establish procedures pertaining to the use of psychotropic medications in nursing homes and adult care facilities.	Passed Assembly
A.5842 (Gottfried) S.5269 (Rivera)	Prohibit the approval of establishment or expansion of for-profit nursing homes.	Passed Assembly
A.5846 (Kim) S.1784-A (Skoufis)	Require adult care facilities to include quality improvement committees and infection control in quality assurance plans.	Chapter 769
A.5847 (Woerner) S.2191 (Kavanagh)	Require nursing homes and hospitals to establish an anti-microbial stewardship program and training on antimicrobial resistance and infection prevention and control.	Chapter 737
A.5848 (Wallace) S.3185 (Skoufis)	Require nursing homes to provide residents and families with information on complaints, citations, inspections and enforcement against taken against the facility.	Chapter 344
A.5979-A (Walker) S.6957 (Brouk)	Expand the Health Care and Wellness Education and Outreach Program to include information on reproductive health conditions that affect female fertility.	Chapter 248
A.6052 (Lunsford) S.1785-A (Skoufis)	Expand pandemic emergency plan requirements to include notification to residents and families when an infection has been detected and plan for separation of residents.	Passed Assembly



A.6056 (Gottfried) S.5956-A (Rivera)	Authorize physician assistants to serve as primary care practitioners under Medicaid managed care plans.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6057-A (Burke) S.1783-A (Skoufis)	Require the COH to establish and implement an infection inspection audit and checklist for nursing homes.	Chapter 768
A.6058 (Gottfried) S.5474 (Rivera)	Establish the New York Health Plan, a universal single-payer health plan accessible by all New Yorkers.	Reported to Codes
A.6166-A (Rosenthal) S.6571 (Hinchey)	Require the DOH to expand reporting requirements on overdose data to include information on alcohol overdoses.	Chapter 741
A.6173 (Gunther) S.6577 (Brouk)	Require the COH to publish information relating to disbursement of the COVID-19 vaccine on the DOH website.	Passed Assembly
A.6180-A (Anderson) S.7165 (Sanders)	Require COH to establish a program to ensure periodic testing of all home health aides and certified nurse aides employed by home care services agencies.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6209 (Zebrowski) S.5295 (Reichlin-Melnick)	Require the COH to establish a state-operated COVID-19 vaccination site in certain counties outside of New York City.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6222 (Wallace) S.4377 (May)	Require information on nursing home resident rights be provided in the six most common non-English languages in the state and include information on the long-term care ombudsman.	Chapter 705
A6323 (Bronson) S.6575 (Savino)	Provide Medicaid coverage for care and services provided by certain mental health practitioners.	Chapter 819
A.6329 (Gottfried) S.5374 (May)	Establish a base wage for home care aides at 150% of the minimum wage.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6386 (Gottfried) S.4964-A (Rivera)	Expand DOH oversight over health policies and practices in Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and local correctional facilities in relation to additional categories of health services.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6392 (Peoples-Stokes) S.5973 (Hinchey)	Require applications administered by the Office of Temporary Disability Assistance, the Higher Education Services Corporation and mandatory state tax filings to include registration to consent for anatomical gifts.	Chapter 743
A.6394 (Gottfried) S.4538-A (Rivera)	Expand DOH oversight over health policies and practices in Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and local correctional facilities in relation to emerging infectious diseases.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6409 (Bichotte Hermelyn)	Require managed care organizations to provide enrollees with a written list of mail-order pharmacies on an annual basis.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6429-B (Hyndman) S.5606-B (Sanders)	Require hospitals to distribute information pertaining to sickle cell disease to patients at-risk.	Chapter 665
A.6430-A (Hyndman) S.5605-A (Sanders)	Establish a sickle-cell disease detection and education program within the DOH.	Passed Assembly

A.6431 (Hyndman) S.5604 (Sanders)	Require the COH to designate five general hospitals or hospices as centers for sickle cell care excellences and ten hospitals as sickle cell outpatient treatment centers.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6531 (Gonzalez-Rojas) S.3474 (Cooney)	Expand the Health Care and Wellness Education and Outreach Program to include information on preeclampsia detection, risk factors and management.	Chapter 286
A.6549-A (Gottfried) S.5485-A (Rivera)	Prohibit blanket service limits in in the Early Intervention Program.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6579 (Gottfried) S.5676 (Rivera)	Require the COH to review and report on the adequacy of rates under the Early Intervention Program.	Reported to Rules
A.6605 (Abinanti) S.5401 (Reichlin-Melnick)	Provide reimbursement at the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost pricing for certain medications.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6610 (Bichotte Hermelyn) S.3061-A (Rivera)	Expand reporting requirements of nursing home and adult care facility COVID-19 related deaths and require publication on the DOH's website.	Passed Senate
A.6671-A (Paulin) S.5944-A (Rivera)	Extend the deadline for the rare disease workgroup to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature on rare diseases.	Chapter 199
A.6883 (Gottfried) S.5954 (Rivera)	Redistribute funding under the Indigent Care Pool to support safety net hospitals.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.6964 (Gottfried)	Authorize the appointment of a temporary operator for nursing homes.	Calendar 332
A.6965 (Gottfried)	Makes permanent provisions relating to the appointment of temporary operators.	Calendar 333
A.6966 (Bronson) S.6203 (May)	Clarify provisions in relation to the authorization of visitors for nursing home residents during public health emergencies.	Chapter 108
A.7018 (Hevesi) S.6204 (Rivera)	Establish documentation requirements for voluntary transfers from nursing homes.	Chapter 138
A.7119 (Gunther) S.6346 (Rivera)	Require the COH to establish staffing standards and minimum staffing levels for nursing homes.	Chapter 156
A.7187 (Bronson) S.6576 (Savino)	Provide Medicaid coverage for care and services provided by licensed clinical social workers.	Chapter 712
A.7200 (Gottfried)	Provide for prescription drugs under the Medicaid managed care through the Preferred Drug Program.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.7230 (Gottfried) S.6534-A (Rivera)	Establish a primary care reform commission under the Patient Centered Medical Home Program.	Reported to Ways and Means

A.7240 (Gottfried) S.6542 (Kaplan)	Require the COH to review and report on the adequacy of rates for ambulette transportation under the Medicaid program.	Chapter 632
A.7241 (Gottfried) S.6491 (Rivera)	Expand confidentiality protections and disclosure requirements for COVID-19 contact tracing to all communicable diseases.	Passed Assembly
A.7304 (Gottfried) S.6640 (May)	Eliminate provisions in relation to DOH limiting the number of licensed home care services agencies that may participate in the Medicaid program.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.7310-A (Cusick) S.6596-A (Skoufis)	Add certain fentanyl analogs to Schedule I of the state controlled substance schedule.	Passed Assembly
A.7325-A (Peoples-Stokes) S.5024-B (Rivera)	Require providers to give parents guidance on lead poisoning prevention and conduct a lead exposure risk assessment questionnaire.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.7326 (Gottfried) S.6541 (Rivera)	Establish confidentiality protections and disclosure requirements for vaccine information.	Passed Assembly
A.7369-A (Gottfried) S.7130 (Rivera)	Authorized certified physical therapist assistants, licensed occupation therapy assistants, licensed chiropractors and licensed mental health practitioners to deliver services via telehealth.	Passed Assembly
A.7408-A (Gottfried) S.7501 (Hinchev)	Clarify county health authority and financial responsibility for post-exposure rabies treatment.	Reported to Ways and Means
A.7517 (Gottfried) S.6767 (Rivera)	Clarify criteria, notification and disclosure requirements by which to evaluate nursing homes through the certificate of need process.	Chapter 141
A.7532 (Gottfried) S.5008 (Reichlin-Melnick)	Allow residents of adult care facilities to seek judicial relief, including the appointment of a temporary operator.	Reported to Codes
A.7551 (Englebright)	Require COH to establish a health care decisions document registry.	Reported to Codes
A.7598 (Gottfried) S.6603 (Skoufis)	Require drugs reimbursed under Medicaid managed care to be reimbursed at the same rate as fee-for-service.	Veto 85
A.7653 (Lupardo) S.7104 (Mannion)	Extend the legal authority for the Foster Family Care Demonstration Program for an additional four years.	Chapter 264
A.7658 (Gottfried) S.7059 (Rivera)	Extend the legal authorization for licensed home care agencies for an additional two years.	Chapter 186
A.7659 (Buttenschon) S.6801 (Rivera)	Extend the legal authority for certain enhanced consumer and provider protections under managed care organizations for an additional two years.	Chapter 181
A.7660 (Reyes) S.6896 (Rivera)	Extend the legal authority for the Child Health Plus program for an additional two years.	Chapter 182

A.7662 (Anderson) S.7102 (Addabbo)	Extend the legal authority for energy audits or disaster preparedness reviews of nursing homes for an additional three years.	Chapter 125
A.7670 (Sayegh) S.7062 (Rivera)	Make the Emergency Medical Service Recertification Program permanent.	Chapter 233
A.7712-A (Gottfried) S.6928-A (Rivera)	Expand the Health Care and Wellness Education and Outreach Program to include information on myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome.	Reported to Rules

**SECTION III**

**Public Hearings and Roundtables of 2021**

**Subject:** Medicaid Program Efficacy and Sustainability  
**Date/Place:** November 1 – New York City

**Subject:** The impact of COVID-19 on the delivery of health care and the health care workforce.  
**Date/Place:** November 17 – New York City

**Subject:** Perinatal Care  
**Date/Place:** November 30 – New York City