Pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of Health by sections 602, 603 and 619 of the Public Health Law, Subpart 40-2 of Title 10 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York is amended by adding a new section 40-2.24, to be effective upon filing with the Secretary, as follows:

- § 40-2.24 Zika Action Plan; performance standards.
- (a) By April 15, 2016, the local health department shall adopt and implement a Zika Action Plan (ZAP), in accordance with guidance to be issued by the Department, and which shall include, but not be limited to, the following activities:
- (1) for all local health departments:
- (i) human disease monitoring; and
- (ii) education about Zika Virus Disease; and
- (2) in addition, for those local health departments identified by the Department as jurisdictions where mosquitoes capable of transmitting the Zika Virus are currently located or may be located in the future:
- (i) enhanced human disease monitoring and disease control;
- (ii) enhanced education about Zika Virus Disease;
- (iii) mosquito trapping, testing and habitat inspections specific to Aedes albopictus, and for such other species as the Department may deem appropriate;
- (iv) mosquito control; and
- (v) identification and commitment of staff available to join State-coordinated rapid response teams, which may be deployed to those areas where the Department determines that there is a potential transmission of Zika Virus by mosquitoes.
- (b) For so long as determined necessary and appropriate by the Department, local health departments shall update their ZAP plans annually and submit such plans to the Department as part of the Application for State Aid made pursuant to section 40-1.0 of this Part.