

**§6353. Definitions**

As used in this subchapter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**1. Certificate of immunization.** "Certificate of immunization" means a written statement from a physician, nurse or health official who has administered an immunizing agent to a child, specifying the dosage administered and the date it was administered.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**2. Child.** "Child" means and includes every child entering school.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**3. Disease.** "Disease" means those conditions that are preventable by immunizing agent, as specified in rules.

[PL 2001, c. 326, §1 (AMD).]

**4. Immunizing agent.** "Immunizing agent" means a vaccine, antitoxin or other substances used to increase an individual's immunity to a disease.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**5. Parent.** "Parent" means a child's parent, legal guardian or custodian. A person shall be regarded as a child's custodian if that person is an adult and has assumed legal charge and care of the child.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**6. Public health official.** "Public health official" means a local health officer, the Director of the Bureau of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, or any designated employee or agent of the Department of Health and Human Services.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §6 (REV).]

**7. School.** "School" means any public or private elementary or secondary school in the State.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**8. Superintendent.** "Superintendent" means the superintendent of schools of a school administrative unit, or a person designated by the superintendent, and the chief administrative officer of a private school.

[PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1983, c. 661, §8 (NEW). PL 2001, c. 326, §1 (AMD). PL 2003, c. 689, §B6 (REV).

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