## §1501. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. C, §8 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. E, §2 (AFF).]

**1. Health care practitioner.** "Health care practitioner" has the same meaning as set forth in Title 24, section 2502, subsection 1-A.

[PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. C, §8 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. E, §2 (AFF).]

- 1-A. Health care. "Health care" means any care, treatment, service or procedure to maintain, diagnose or otherwise affect an individual's physical or mental condition. [PL 2015, c. 444, §1 (NEW).]
- **2. Health care provider.** "Health care provider" has the same meaning as set forth in Title 24, section 2502, subsection 2.

[PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. C, §8 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. E, §2 (AFF).]

- **3. Minor.** "Minor" means a person under 18 years of age. [PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. C, §8 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. E, §2 (AFF).]
  - **4. Surrogate.** "Surrogate" means:
  - A. An adult who is not a parent or legal guardian but who is related to a minor by blood, marriage or adoption and with whom the minor resides and from whom the minor receives the ongoing care and support expected of a parent. "Surrogate" does not include a person to whom a parent has delegated parental authority to consent to the minor's medical treatment through a power of attorney or other written instrument; or [PL 2015, c. 444, §1 (NEW).]
  - B. If an adult relative described in paragraph A does not exist, an adult to whom a parent or legal guardian has not delegated parental authority through a power of attorney or other written instrument with whom the minor resides and from whom the minor receives the ongoing care and support expected of a parent. [PL 2015, c. 444, §1 (NEW).]

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