

Sec. 19a-7-1. Definitions

As used in sections 19a-7-1 and 19a-7-2 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies:

(1) “Agent” means a person or entity which has entered into an agreement or contract with the department to perform administrative, processing, management, analytical, evaluative, or other related service with the data collected under Section 19a-7(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes;

(2) “Aggregate health data” means health data that are obtained by adding together like data in a manner that precludes the identification of an individual described by the data;

(3) “Commissioner” means the commissioner of the Department of Public Health;

(4) “Confidential health data” means personal data or patient-identifiable data collected under Section 19a-7(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes;

(5) “Department” means the Department of Public Health;

(6) “Disseminate” or “disclose” means the communication of health data to any individual or organization outside the department;

(7) “Health data” means information collected under Section 19a-7(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, recorded in any form or medium, that relates to the health status of individuals, the determinants of health and health hazards, the availability of health resources and services, or the use and cost of such resources and services;

(8) “Individual” means a natural person;

(9) “Organization” means any corporation, association, partnership, agency, department, unit, or other legally constituted institution or entity, or part thereof;

(10) “Patient” means an individual who has received health care services and from whom health data have been obtained;

(11) “Patient-identifiable data” means any information that singly or collectively refers to one patient and permits positive or probable identification of that patient;

(12) “Personal data” means “personal data” as defined in Section 4-190 of the Connecticut General Statutes;

(13) “Process of establishing a state health plan” means the activities by which the department collects, analyzes, evaluates, and disseminates health data in order to develop public health priorities, goals, and objectives, or other related functions as determined by the commissioner;

(14) “Public health planning” means any activity conducted by the department as provided in Section 19a-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

(15) “Report” means data or information extracted or prepared in any form or medium.

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