

**PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFIT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 106 of 2007**

**124.73 Definitions.**

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

(a) "Carrier" means a health, dental, or vision insurance company authorized to do business in this state under, and a health maintenance organization or multiple employer welfare arrangement operating under, the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 to 500.8302; a system of health care delivery and financing operating under section 3573 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3573; a nonprofit dental care corporation operating under 1963 PA 125, MCL 550.351 to 550.373; a nonprofit health care corporation operating under the nonprofit health care corporation reform act, 1980 PA 350, MCL 550.1101 to 550.1704; a voluntary employees' beneficiary association described in section 501(c)(9) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 501(c)(9); a pharmacy benefits manager; and any other person providing a plan of health benefits, coverage, or insurance in this state.

(b) "Commissioner" means the director of the department of insurance and financial services.

(c) "Covered individual" means an individual covered by a contract under section 15(3)(a)(iv).

(d) "Medical benefit plan" means a plan, established and maintained by a carrier or 1 or more public employers, that provides for the payment of medical, optical, or dental benefits, including, but not limited to, hospital and physician services, prescription drugs, and related benefits, to public employees.

(e) "Public employee" means an employee of a public employer.

(f) "Public employer" means a city, village, township, county, or other political subdivision of this state; any intergovernmental, metropolitan, or local department, agency, or authority, or other local political subdivision; a school district, a public school academy, or an intermediate school district, as those terms are defined in the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852; or a community college or junior college described in section 7 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963. Public employer includes a public university that elects to come under the provisions of this act.

(g) "Public employer pooled plan" or "pooled plan" means a public employer pooled plan established pursuant to section 5(1)(b).

(h) "Public university" means a public university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963.

(i) "Specialty prescription drug" means a prescription drug used to treat a rare, complex, or chronic medical condition that meets any of the following requirements:

(i) Requires special administration including, but not limited to, inhalation or infusion.

(ii) Requires special delivery or special storage.

(iii) Requires special oversight, intensive monitoring, or care coordination with a person licensed under article 15 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838.

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