

**§ 143-117.1. Definitions.**

The following definitions apply in this Article:

- (1) Care. – Care, treatment, training, maintenance, habilitation, and rehabilitation of a person admitted to institutions covered by this Article.
- (2) Department. – The Department of Health and Human Services.
- (3) Persons admitted. – Clients of regional psychiatric hospitals, State special care centers, regional developmental centers, schools for children with serious emotional disturbances, and alcohol and drug abuse treatment centers, including clients who may be treated on an outpatient basis.
- (4) Secretary. – The Secretary of Health and Human Services. (1985, c. 508, s. 3; 1987, c. 856, s. 15; 1989, c. 145, s. 3; c. 770, s. 41; 1997-443, s. 11A.118(a); 2019-76, s. 27.)