

495—17.1(17A,22) Definitions. As used in this chapter:

“Confidential record” means a record which is not available as a matter of right for examination and copying by members of the public under applicable provisions of law. Confidential records include records or information as described in Iowa Code section 97B.17, and records, or information contained in records, that are specified in Iowa Code section 22.7, or by other provision of law.

“Custodian” means the CEO or designee.

“Open record” means a record other than a confidential record.

“Personally identifiable information” means information about or pertaining to an individual in a record which identifies the individual and which is contained in a record system under the jurisdiction of the agency.

“Record” means all or part of a “public record” as defined in Iowa Code section 22.1 or 97B.17 which is owned by or in the physical possession of the agency. IPERS also defines a record as information stored or preserved regardless of physical form. Record content, not record form, determines whether or not information constitutes a record. Any information documenting official final business, whether recorded on paper, reproduced on microfilm, entered in an electronic database, documented photographically, recorded in video or audio media, or documented using any other medium, constitutes a record. A record that is not confidential or otherwise exempt by federal or state law is termed an open record.

“Record system” means any group of records under the jurisdiction of the agency from which a confidential record or information may be retrieved.

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