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441—201.2(600) Definitions.

"Child" means a person who has not attained age 18, or a person with a physical or mental disability who has not attained age 21.

"Escrow account" means an interest-bearing account in a bank or savings and loan association which is maintained by the department in the name of a particular child.

"Maintenance subsidy" means a monthly payment to assist in covering the cost of room, board, clothing, and spending money. The child will also be eligible for medical assistance pursuant to 441—Chapter 75.

"Mental health professional" means the same as defined in rule 441—24.1(225C).

"Mental retardation professional" means a person who has at least one year of experience working directly with persons with mental retardation or other developmental disabilities and who is one of the following:

- 1. A doctor of medicine or osteopathy.
- 2. A registered nurse.
- 3. A person who holds at least a bachelor's degree in a human services field including, but not limited to: social work, sociology, special education, rehabilitation counseling, and psychology.

"Nonrecurring expenses" means reasonable and necessary adoption fees, court costs, attorney fees and other expenses which are directly related to the legal adoption of a child with special needs. These shall be limited to attorney fees, court filing fees and other court costs.

"Physician" means a licensed medical or osteopathic doctor as defined in rule 441—77.1(249A).

"Presubsidy" means payment for maintenance or special services for a special needs child who is placed in an adoptive home but whose adoption is not finalized.

"Special services subsidy" means payment to a provider or the parent for medical, dental, therapeutic, or other services, equipment or appliances required by a child because of a handicapping condition.