

(a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Administration" means the Mental Retardation Administration.

(c) (1) "Admission" means the process by which a mentally retarded individual is accepted as a resident in:

(i) A facility; or

(ii) A Veterans' Administration hospital in this State that provides treatment for mentally retarded individuals.

(2) "Admission" includes the physical act of the individual entering the facility or Veterans' Administration hospital.

(3) "Admission" does not include the process by which an individual enters a facility or Veterans' Administration hospital for comprehensive evaluation.

(d) "Comprehensive evaluation" means a study of an individual, including a series of observations and examinations, that is made to determine whether the individual is a mentally retarded individual and, if so, to recommend services.

(E) "DEVELOPMENTAL PERIOD" MEANS THAT PERIOD OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DEVELOPMENT THAT OCCURS BEFORE A PERSON ATTAINS 22 YEARS OF AGE.

[(e)] (F) "Director" means the director of the Administration.

[(f)] (G) (1) "Facility" means any public or private place with a day, residential, or other program, clinic, or hospital that provides or purports to provide treatment for mentally retarded individuals.

(2) "Facility" does not include a Veterans' Administration hospital.

[(g)] (H) "Group home" means a facility that:

(1) Under the supervision of a responsible adult, provides a home for individuals who, because of mental retardation, require specialized living arrangements; and

(2) Admits at least 4 but not more than 8 mentally retarded individuals.