REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 72A, § 4(g).

Defined term: "Includes" § 1-101

(D) HEALTH PRACTITIONER.

"HEALTH PRACTITIONER" INCLUDES ANY PERSON WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE HEALING UNDER THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 72A, § 4(e).

The former references to specific health care professionals are deleted as unnecessary in light of the inclusive definition of "health practitioner" and in light of the provisions of the Health Occupations Article.

Defined term: "Includes" § 1-101

(E) LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

"LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" INCLUDES:

- (1) A STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY;
 - (2) A SHERIFF'S OFFICE;
 - (3) A STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE; AND
 - (4) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
 - REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 72A, § 4(i).

Defined terms: "County" § 1-101 "Includes" § 1-101

(F) LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

"LOCAL DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES THAT HAS JURISDICTION IN THE COUNTY:

- (1) WHERE A NEGLECTED CHILD LIVES; OR
- (2) <u>IF DIFFERENT,</u> WHERE THE NEGLECT IS ALLEGED TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE.