

direction of a manufacturer is substituted for the former reference to acting "on behalf of or at the direction of a manufacturer" for brevity.

Defined term: "Person" § 1-101

(D) AUTHORIZED PROVIDER.

(1) "AUTHORIZED PROVIDER" MEANS:

(I) A PERSON LICENSED, REGISTERED, OR OTHERWISE ALLOWED TO ADMINISTER, DISTRIBUTE, DISPENSE, OR CONDUCT RESEARCH ON A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE IN THE STATE IN THE COURSE OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE OR RESEARCH; OR

(II) A PHARMACY, LABORATORY, HOSPITAL, OR OTHER INSTITUTION LICENSED, REGISTERED, OR OTHERWISE ALLOWED TO ADMINISTER, DISTRIBUTE, DISPENSE, OR CONDUCT RESEARCH ON A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE IN THE STATE IN THE COURSE OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE OR RESEARCH.

(2) "AUTHORIZED PROVIDER" INCLUDES A SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATOR AND AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, OR VETERINARY MEDICINE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 277(t)(1) and the first sentence of (2).

The term "authorized provider" is substituted for the former term "practitioner" to clarify that the term refers both to individuals and to facilities that are authorized to administer, dispense, distribute, or conduct research about a controlled dangerous substance.

The second sentence of former Art. 27, § 277(t)(2), which defined "hospital" as "an institution for the care and treatment of the sick and injured approved by the Department, as proper to be entrusted with the custody of controlled dangerous substances under the direction of a physician, dentist, or veterinarian" is deleted as redundant in light of paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection, because the entities to which the term "hospital" referred are included in the defined term "person", and because it did not add anything to the ordinary meaning of the word "hospital". No substantive change is intended.

In paragraph (2) of this subsection, the former references to a physician, dentist, and veterinarian authorized "by law" to practice in this State are deleted as included in the reference to being "authorized by the State" to practice.

(E) COCA LEAF.