



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 2151.3515 Desertion of child definitions.

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As used in sections 2151.3515 to 2151.3533 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Emergency medical service organization," "emergency medical technician-basic," "emergency medical technician-intermediate," "first responder," and "paramedic" have the same meanings as in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Emergency medical service worker" means a first responder, emergency medical technician-basic, emergency medical technician-intermediate, or paramedic.

(C) "Hospital" has the same meaning as in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code.

(D) "Hospital employee" means any of the following persons:

(1) A physician or advanced practice registered nurse who has been granted privileges to practice at the hospital;

(2) A nurse, physician assistant, or nursing assistant employed by the hospital;

(3) An authorized person employed by the hospital who is acting under the direction of a physician or nurse described in division (D)(1) of this section.

(E) "Law enforcement agency" means an organization or entity made up of peace officers.

(F) "Nurse" means a person who is licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code to practice as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse.

(G) "Nursing assistant" means a person designated by a hospital as a nurse aide or nursing assistant whose job is to aid nurses, physicians, and physician assistants in the performance of their duties.



(H) "Peace officer" means a sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, police officer of a township or joint police district, marshal, deputy marshal, municipal police officer, or a state highway patrol trooper.

(I) "Peace officer support employee" means an authorized person employed by a law enforcement agency who is acting under the direction of a peace officer.

(J) "Physician" means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery.

(K) "Physician assistant" means an individual who holds a current, valid license to practice as a physician assistant issued under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code.

(L) "Advanced practice registered nurse" has the same meaning as in section 4723.01 of the Revised Code.