

**256E.21 DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** The definitions in this section apply to Laws 1986, chapter 423, sections 1 to 9.

Subd. 2. **Act.** "Act" means the Children's Trust Fund for the Prevention of Child Abuse Act.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 2008 c 277 art 1 s 98]

Subd. 4. **Child.** "Child" means a person under 18 years of age.

Subd. 5. **Child abuse.** "Child abuse" means sexual abuse, neglect, or physical abuse as defined in section 626.556, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (c), and (d).

Subd. 6. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.

Subd. 7. **Local council.** "Local council" means a child abuse prevention council established under section 256E.24.

Subd. 8. **Prevention program.** "Prevention program" means a system that directly provides primary or secondary child abuse prevention services to a child, parent or prospective parent, guardian, or professional who works regularly with children, and may also include a research program related to the prevention of child abuse.

Subd. 9. **Primary prevention.** "Primary prevention" means a program or service designed to promote the general welfare of children and families.

Subd. 10. **Secondary prevention.** "Secondary prevention" means a program or service designed to prevent abuse of children who are in circumstances where there is a high risk that abuse will occur.

Subd. 11. **Tertiary prevention.** "Tertiary prevention" means a program or service provided after child abuse has occurred that is designed to prevent its recurrence.

Subd. 12. **Trust fund.** "Trust fund" means the children's trust fund for the prevention of child abuse established under section 256E.22.

**History:** 1986 c 423 s 2; 1991 c 292 art 8 s 8,25; 1Sp 1995 c 3 art 16 s 13; 2002 c 379 art 1 s 37; 2003 c 130 s 12; 2005 c 98 art 1 s 24