

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 250 of 1982

722.602 Definitions.

Sec. 2. (1) As used in this act:

- (a) "Child" means a person under 18 years of age.
- (b) "Child abuse" means harm or threatened harm to a child's health or welfare by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare, which harm occurs or is threatened through nonaccidental physical or mental injury; sexual abuse, which includes a violation of section 145c of the Michigan penal code, Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, being section 750.145c of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- (c) "Local council" means an organization which meets the criteria described in section 10(a).
- (d) "Neglect" means harm to a child's health or welfare by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare which occurs through negligent treatment, including the failure to provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.
- (e) "State board" means the state child abuse and neglect prevention board created in section 3.
- (f) "Prevention program" means a system of direct provision of child abuse and neglect prevention services to a child, parent, or guardian, and may include research programs related to prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- (g) "Trust fund" means the children's trust fund established in the department of treasury.

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Compiler's note: Former MCL 722.601 to 722.612, deriving from Ch. 42 of R.S. 1846 and pertaining to maintenance of children born out of wedlock, were repealed by Act 256 of 1964.