- WAC 246-90-010 Definitions. The following definitions apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
 - (1) "Board" means the Washington state board of health.
- (2) "Consumers of public health" means the category of persons consisting of county or health district residents who have self-identified as having faced significant health inequities or as having lived experiences with public health-related programs.
- (3) "Elected official" means any person elected at a general or special election to public office representing a city or county, and any person appointed to fill a vacancy in any such office.
- (4) "Health agency" means a private or public business or organization that renders or connects persons to health services, insurance, or other benefits.
- (5) "Health facility" means a facility, clinic, or other setting licensed under Title 18, 70, or 71 RCW in which behavioral or medical diagnosis, care, treatment, or services are provided.
- (6) "Local board of health" means the county or district board of health as established under chapter 70.05 RCW.
- (7) "Local health jurisdiction" or "LHJ" means a county health department under chapter 70.05 RCW or health district under chapter 70.46 RCW.
- (8) "Nonelected member" or "nonelected position" means a person appointed to a local board of health who is not an elected official, and represents:
 - (a) Public health, health care facilities, and providers;
 - (b) Consumers of public health; or
 - (c) Other community stakeholders.
- (9) "Other community stakeholders" means the category of persons representing the following types of organizations located in the county or health district:
- (a) Community-based organizations or nonprofits that work with populations experiencing health inequities in the county;
 - (b) Active, reserve, or retired armed services members;
 - (c) The business community; or
 - (d) The environmental public health regulated community.
- (10) "Public health, health care facilities, and providers" means the category of persons practicing or employed in the county or health district who are:
 - (a) Medical ethicists;
 - (b) Epidemiologists;
 - (c) Experienced in environmental public health;
 - (d) Community health workers;
- (e) Holders of master's degrees or higher in public health or another field with an emphasis or concentration in health care, public health, or health policy;
 - (f) Employees of a hospital located in the county; or
- (g) Any of the following providers holding an active or retired license in good standing under Title 18 RCW:
 - (i) Physicians or osteopathic physicians;
 - (ii) Advanced registered nurse practitioners;
 - (iii) Physician assistants;
 - (iv) Registered nurses;
 - (v) Dentists;
 - (vi) Naturopaths; or
 - (vii) Pharmacists.

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