

**Office of Health Care Affordability
Promotion of Competitive Health Care Markets;
Health Care Affordability;
Cost and Market Impact Reviews**

**Title 22, California Code of Regulations
Division 7. Health Planning and Facility Construction**

Chapter 11.5. Promotion of Competitive Health Care Markets; Health Care Affordability

Article 1. Material Change Transactions and Pre-Transaction Review.

§ 97431. Definitions.

(g) "Health care entity" shall:

(4) Exclude physician organizations with less than 25 physicians, unless determined to be a high-cost outlier, as described in 127500.2(~~p~~r)(6) of the Code. Any health care entity entering into a transaction with a physician organization of less than 25 physicians remains subject to the notice filing requirements of section 97435.

(m) "Payer" shall have the meaning set forth in section 127500.2(~~e~~g) of the Code.

(n) "Physician organization" shall have the meaning set forth in section 127500.2(~~p~~r) of the Code.

(o) "Provider" shall have the meaning set forth in section 127500.2(~~e~~t) of the Code.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 127501, 127501.2 and 127507, Health and Safety Code.
Reference: Sections 127500.2, 127507 and 127507.2, Health and Safety Code.