

**PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 368 of 1978**

**333.21561 Application for designation as rural community hospital; use of term "rural community hospital"; definition.**

Sec. 21561.

(1) After the effective date of the rules required under section 21563, a hospital with fewer than 100 licensed beds located in a nonurbanized area that is either licensed on or before the effective date of this section or is licensed after the effective date of this section and is located in a county that did not have a hospital on the effective date of this section may apply to the department for designation as a rural community hospital.

(2) The term "rural community hospital" shall not be used to describe or refer to a health facility or agency unless the health facility or agency is designated as a rural community hospital by the department.

(3) As used in this section, "nonurbanized area" means that term as defined in section 21551.

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**Popular Name:** Act 368