§ 4002. Definitions. As used in this article, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

1. "Hospice" means a coordinated program of home and in-patient care which treats the terminally ill patient and family as a unit, employing an interdisciplinary team acting under the direction of an autonomous hospice administration. The program provides palliative and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, social and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of illness, and during dying and bereavement.

2. "Hospice demonstration program participant" means a hospice which was approved to participate in the hospice demonstration program established pursuant to chapter seven hundred eighteen of the laws of nineteen hundred seventy-eight and is operating on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred eighty-three.

2-a. "Home" shall include a hospice patient's home or a hospice residence.

2-b. "Hospice residence" means a hospice operated home which is residential in character and physical structure and operated for the purpose of providing more than two hospice patients but not more than sixteen hospice patients with hospice care, which may include dually certified hospice in-patient beds up to one hundred percent of the hospice residence's patient capacity.

3. "Construction" means construction as defined in section thirty-six hundred two of this chapter.

4. "Public health council" and "state hospital review and planning council" shall mean the public health and health planning council.

5. "Terminally ill" means an individual has a medical prognosis that the individual's life expectancy is approximately one year or less if the illness runs its normal course.