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

## 333.16185 Care by individual under special volunteer license; civil liability; gross negligence; definitions.

Sec. 16185. (1) Subject to subsection (2), an individual who provides care under a special volunteer license to engage in the practice of a health profession granted under section 16184 is not liable in a civil action for personal injury or death proximately caused by the professional negligence or malpractice of the individual in providing the care if both of the following apply:

- (a) The care is provided at a health facility or agency that provides at least 75% of its care annually to medically indigent individuals.
  - (b) The individual does not receive and does not intend to receive compensation for providing the care.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply if the negligent conduct or malpractice of the individual is gross negligence.
  - (3) As used in this section:
- (a) "Gross negligence" means conduct so reckless as to demonstrate a substantial lack of concern for whether an injury results.
- (b) "Medically indigent individual" means that term as defined in section 106 of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.106.

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