

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CONCISE STATEMENT OF PROPOSED NON-TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS
(AMENDMENTS TO AN EXISTING REGULATION)**

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-3(a)(1), the following is a concise statement of proposed non-technical amendments to the rules and regulations for the Rhode Island Birth Defects Registry (216-RICR-10-10-3).

Amendment Coordinates	Rationale/Summary of Change
§ 3.1(A):	Revises to remove superfluous language describing revisions implemented in previous iterations of the regulations, and correct citation to authorizing statute.
§ 3.1(B):	Adds “to” for grammatical correctness.
§§ 3.3(A)(1), (2), and (8):	Removes/replaces language to consistently use “means” in definitions.
§§ 3.3(A)(1) and (7):	Removes superfluous “as amended.”
§§ 3.3(A)(12) and (13):	Removes definitions for R.I. Gen. Laws, which is now a standard term throughout the Rhode Island Code of Regulations (RICR) and therefore no longer requires definition in individual regulations, and These Regulations, which has been replaced with “this Part,” which is also now a standard term throughout the RICR. The replacement of “These Regulations” with “this Part” is reflected throughout the regulations.
§ 3.4(B):	Adds “or by a clinical laboratory” to make the sentence consistent with the reporting responsibility for clinical laboratories stated in the first line of § 3.4(B).
§ 3.5(A):	Adds ICD-10 codes for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS).
§ 3.9(A):	Revises “Rhode Island Birth Defects Registry” to “Registrar” in order to clarify the role of the Registrar in regards to modifications of rules and regulations.