Orthopedic Impairment

State Definition

The term orthopedic impairment refers to a severe physical impairment that adversely affects a child's learning and/or educational performance. This includes impairments caused by:

- Congenital anomaly (clubfoot, absence of some member, etc.)
- Disease (poliomyelitis, bone tuberculosis, etc.)
- Other causes (cerebral palsy, amputations, fractures or burns that cause contractures, etc.)

A physical impairment frequently is identified in combination with other disabling conditions that often cause or contribute to the significant adverse effect on learning.