

## **PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]**

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**641—1.1(139A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Acute hearing loss and tinnitus”* means any sudden deafness, hearing loss, or tinnitus due to exposure to noise in the work setting. (International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Edition, (ICD-10) codes H83.3, H90.2, H90.3, H91.2, H93.1, and H93.2)

*“Acute or chronic respiratory conditions due to fumes, vapors or dusts”* means acute chemical bronchitis, any acute, subacute, or chronic respiratory condition due to inhalation of a chemical fume or vapor, or pneumoconioses not specifically listed elsewhere in these rules. (ICD-10 codes J63.0-J64, J66, and J68.0-J68.9) “Acute or chronic respiratory conditions due to fumes, vapors or dusts” excludes those respiratory conditions related to tobacco smoke exposure.

*“Agriculturally related injury”* means any injury to a farmer, farm worker, farm family member, or other individual which occurred on a farm, or in the course of handling, producing, processing, transporting or warehousing farm commodities.

*“Area quarantine”* means prohibiting ingress and egress to and from a building or buildings, structure or structures, or other definable physical location, or portion thereof, to prevent or contain the spread of a suspected or confirmed quarantinable disease or to prevent or contain exposure to a suspected or known chemical, biological, radioactive, or other hazardous or toxic agent.

*“Carpal tunnel or related neuropathy”* means carpal tunnel syndrome, other lesions of the median nerve, ulnar nerve or radial nerve, causalgia or other related neuropathy of the upper limb. (ICD-10 codes G56.0-G56.9)

*“Clinical laboratory”* means any laboratory performing analyses on specimens taken from the body of a person in order to assess that person’s health status.

*“Communicable disease”* means any disease spread from person to person or animal to person.

*“Contagious or infectious disease”* means any contagious or infectious disease which is transmitted by a bloodborne route or by skin-to-skin contact.

*“Health care facility”* means a health care facility as defined in Iowa Code section 135C.1, an ambulatory surgical center, or a clinic.

*“Health care provider”* means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, nursing, dentistry, optometry, or licensed as a physician assistant, dental hygienist, or acupuncturist.

*“Investigation”* means an inquiry conducted to determine the specific source, mode of transmission, and cause of a disease or suspected disease occurrence and to determine the specific incidence, prevalence, and extent of the disease in the affected population. “Investigation” may also include the application of scientific methods and analysis to institute appropriate control measures.

*“Isolation”* means the separation of persons or animals presumably or actually infected with a communicable disease, or that are disease carriers, for the usual period of communicability of that disease. Isolation shall be in such places, marked by placards if necessary, and under such conditions to prevent the direct or indirect conveyance of the infectious agent or contagion to susceptible individuals.

*“Local board of health”* means a county, city, or district board of health.

*“Occupationally related asthma, bronchitis or respiratory hypersensitivity reaction”* means any extrinsic asthma or acute chemical pneumonitis due to exposure to toxic agents in the workplace. (ICD-10 codes J67.0-J67.9)

*“Poison control or poison information center”* means any organization or program which has as one of its primary objectives the provision of toxicologic and pharmacologic information and referral services to the public and to health care providers (other than pharmacists) in response to inquiries about actual or potential poisonings.

*“Public health disaster”* means an incident as defined in Iowa Code Supplement section 135.140.

“*Quarantinable disease*” means any communicable disease which presents a risk of serious harm to public health and which may require isolation or quarantine to prevent its spread. “Quarantinable disease” includes but is not limited to cholera; diphtheria; infectious tuberculosis; plague; smallpox; yellow fever; viral hemorrhagic fevers, including Lassa, Marburg, Ebola, Crimean-Congo, South American, and others not yet isolated or named; and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).

“*Quarantine*” means the limitation of freedom of movement of persons or animals that have been exposed to a communicable disease, within specified limits marked by placards, for a period of time equal to the longest usual incubation period of the disease. The limitation of movement shall be in such manner as to prevent the spread of a communicable disease.

“*Raynaud’s phenomenon*” means ischemia of fingers, toes, ears or nose including “vibration white finger” caused by exposure to heat, cold, vibration or other physical agents in the work setting. (ICD-10 code I73.0)

“*Reportable cancers*” means those cancers included in the National Cancer Institute’s Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) Program.

“*Severe skin disorder*” means those dermatoses, burns, and other severe skin disorders which result in death or which require hospitalization or other multiple courses of medical therapy.

“*Sexually transmitted disease or infection*” means a disease or infection that is primarily transmitted through sexual practices.

“*Suspected*” or “*suspected case*” means an individual that presents with clinical signs or symptoms indicative of a reportable or quarantinable disease.

“*Toxic agent*” means any noxious substance in solid, liquid or gaseous form capable of producing illness in humans including, but not limited to, pesticides, heavy metals, organic and inorganic dusts and organic solvents. Airborne toxic agents may be in the form of dusts, fumes, vapors, mists, gases or smoke.

“*Toxic hepatitis*” means any acute or subacute necrosis of the liver or other unspecified chemical hepatitis caused by exposure to nonmedicinal toxic agents other than ethyl alcohol including, but not limited to, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, tetrachloroethane, trichloroethylene, phosphorus, TNT, chloronaphthalenes, methylenedianilines, ethylene dibromide, and organic solvents. (ICD-10 codes K71.0-K71.9)

**641—1.2(139A) Authority.** The director of public health is the principal officer of the state to administer disease reporting and control procedures. The State Health Registry of Iowa, administered by the Department of Epidemiology of the College of Public Health at the University of Iowa, is a public health authority for purposes of collecting cancer data in accordance with this chapter.

**641—1.3(139A) Reportable diseases.** Reportable diseases are those diseases or conditions listed in subrules 1.3(1) and 1.3(2). The director of public health may also designate any disease, condition or syndrome temporarily reportable for the purpose of a special investigation. Each case of a reportable disease is required to be reported to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, by the physician or other health practitioner attending any person having a reportable disease and by laboratories performing tests identifying reportable diseases.

**1.3(1) List of reportable diseases or conditions.**

*a. Specific communicable diseases.*

(1) Common diseases:

<sup>1</sup>Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and AIDS-defining conditions

<sup>2</sup>Aeromonas

Campylobacteriosis

<sup>1</sup>Chlamydia

Cryptosporidiosis

Encephalitis, arboviral

<sup>3</sup>Enterococcus invasive disease

Enterohemorrhagic Escherichia coli (non-O157:H7)

<sup>3</sup>Escherichia coli O157:H7 related diseases (includes HUS)

Giardiasis

Gonorrhea

<sup>3</sup>Group A Streptococcus invasive disease

<sup>36</sup>Haemophilus influenza type B invasive disease

Hepatitis, types A, <sup>1</sup>B, C, D, and E

<sup>1</sup>Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection, including HIV-exposed newborn infant (i.e., newborn infant whose mother is infected with HIV)

Legionellosis

Lyme disease

<sup>6</sup>Measles (rubeola)

<sup>36</sup>Meningococcal invasive disease

<sup>3</sup>Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus invasive disease

<sup>2</sup>Norwalk-like virus

Pertussis

Rabies (animal and <sup>6</sup>human)

<sup>3</sup>Salmonellosis (including Typhoid fever)

<sup>3</sup>Shigellosis

<sup>7</sup>Staphylococcus aureus invasive disease

<sup>3</sup>Streptococcus pneumoniae invasive disease

<sup>1</sup>Syphilis

Tuberculosis

<sup>2</sup>Yersinia

(2) Rare diseases:

Anthrax

<sup>6</sup>Botulism

Brucellosis

<sup>6</sup>Cholera

Cyclospora

<sup>6</sup>Diphtheria

Hansen's disease (Leprosy)

Hantavirus syndromes

<sup>3</sup>Listeria monocytogenes invasive disease

Malaria

Mumps

<sup>6</sup>Plague

<sup>6</sup>Poliomyelitis

Psittacosis

Rocky Mountain spotted fever

Rubella (including congenital)

Tetanus

Toxic shock syndrome

Trichinosis

<sup>6</sup>Yellow fever

<sup>6</sup>Vancomycin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus

<sup>6</sup>Outbreaks of any kind, unusual syndromes, or uncommon diseases

Diseases or syndromes of any kind caused by a biological agent or toxin when the provider reasonably believes or suspects that the agent or toxin may be a result of a deliberate act such as terrorism. Examples of these agents include <sup>6</sup>ricin, <sup>6</sup>tularemia and <sup>6</sup>smallpox.

*b. Specific noncommunicable diseases.*

Acute or chronic respiratory conditions due to fumes or vapors or dusts

Asbestosis  
 Birth defect or genetic disease<sup>10</sup>  
 Cancer<sup>10</sup>  
 Carbon monoxide poisoning  
 Coal workers pneumoconiosis  
 Heavy metal poisoning  
 Hepatitis, toxic  
 Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (including farmers lung and toxic organic dust syndrome)  
 Methemoglobinemia  
 Pesticide poisoning (including pesticide-related contact dermatitis)  
 Silicosis  
 Silo fillers disease

<sup>6</sup>Diseases or syndromes of any kind caused by a chemical or radiological agent when the provider reasonably believes or suspects that the agent or toxin may be a result of a deliberate act such as terrorism. Examples of these agents include <sup>6</sup>mustard gas and <sup>6</sup>sarin gas.

*c. Specific occupationally related conditions.*

Acute hearing loss and tinnitus  
 Carpal tunnel and related neuropathy<sup>11</sup>  
 Asthma, bronchitis or respiratory hypersensitivity reactions  
 Raynaud's phenomenon<sup>11</sup>  
 Severe skin disorder

*d. Agriculturally related injuries (work- or non-work-related).*

*e. Heavy metal poisonings.*

(1) Lead poisoning. All analytical values for blood lead analysis shall be reported to the department. Analytical values less than 10 micrograms per deciliter (mg/dL) may be reported as less than 10 micrograms per deciliter (mg/dL) rather than as the actual value. In addition to the analytical value, the following information shall be reported to the department: the date of sample collection, whether the sample is a capillary or venous blood sample, the date of birth and the address of the patient, the name and address of the patient's physician, analytical method used for the analysis, lower quantitation limit of the analytical method, and the quality assurance/quality control values associated with the analysis.

(2) Mercury poisonings.

1. Blood mercury values equal to or greater than 2.8 mcg/dL.
2. Urine mercury values equal to or greater than 20 mcg/L.

(3) Arsenic poisonings.

1. Blood arsenic values equal to or greater than .07 mcg/mL.
2. Urine arsenic values equal to or greater than 100 mcg/L.
3. Twenty-four hour urinary arsenic excretion values equal to or greater than .02 mg/day.

(4) Cadmium poisonings.

1. Blood cadmium values equal to or greater than 5 mcg/L.
2. Urine cadmium values equal to or greater than 10 mcg/L.

(5) Physicians and other health care practitioners are exempted from the requirements of 1.3(1) "e" if the laboratory performing the analysis provides the report containing the required information to the department.

*f. Pesticide poisonings.*

(1) Organophosphate and carbamate cholinesterase inhibiting pesticides. In using a given analytic method to measure cholinesterase inhibition, measurement techniques often vary among laboratories. For this reason, when a depressed cholinesterase value is found, in addition to reporting the items specified in rule 641—1.3(139A), each laboratory shall provide to the Iowa department of public health evidence of the rational bases upon which the laboratory identified the reported value as depressed. For example, for nonautomated analytic methods, a laboratory may judge that a cholinesterase value is depressed on the basis of the value falling below two standard deviations from the mean value for tests

completed by that laboratory on the general unexposed population. For automated methods, such as automated spectrophotometry, for which there are built-in quality control procedures and appropriate literature for determining normality, the laboratory should judge a value as depressed on the basis of such appropriate literature. In all instances, clinical laboratories shall report any test finding which shows a 25 percent depression in red blood cell, plasma or whole blood cholinesterase from preexposure levels.

(2) Other pesticide poisonings. Any herbicide, organochlorine insecticide or metabolite thereof in a clinical specimen taken from a person with a history of overexposure to such pesticides within the 48 hours previous to collection of the specimen. If a laboratory has no information regarding the exposure history of a person, a report of a positive test finding for a herbicide, organochlorine insecticide or metabolite thereof is not required, but is encouraged to be reported if the levels found are consistent with overexposure.

*g. Nitrate poisonings.* Blood analyses showing greater than 5 percent of total hemoglobin present as methemoglobin.

*h. Toxic hepatitis.* In cases where a laboratory has been made aware of a prolonged or possible overexposure to carbon tetrachloride, tetrachloroethane, trichloroethylene, phosphorus, TNT, chloronaphthalenes, methylenedianilines, cresol or ethylene dibromide and any abnormal liver tissue biopsy findings which would be attributable to such exposure. If a laboratory has no information on the exposure history of a person, but that person's liver biopsy findings are consistent with exposure to these chemicals, then a laboratory is encouraged, but not required, to report such findings.

*i. Noncommunicable respiratory illnesses.* Any biopsy of lung tissue indicating prolonged exposure or overexposure to asbestos, silica, silicates, aluminum, graphite, bauxite, beryllium, cotton dust or other textile material, or coal dust.

*j. Carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.*

(1) Blood carbon monoxide level equal to or greater than 10 percent carboxyhemoglobin or its equivalent with a breath analyzer test, or

(2) A clinical diagnosis of CO poisoning regardless of any test results.

**1.3(2) Other reportable diseases.** Physicians are required to report any other disease or condition which is unusual in incidence, occurs in unusual numbers or circumstances, or appears to be of public health concern (such as epidemic diarrhea of the newborn in nurseries or a food poisoning episode) including outbreaks of suspected environmental or occupational illness.

<sup>1</sup> Sexually transmitted disease.

<sup>2</sup> Diseases that should be reported by the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory through the end of calendar year 2002 for purposes of special study.

<sup>3</sup> Isolates of organisms from diseases so noted should be sent to the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory.

<sup>4</sup> Diseases that should be reported by the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory through the end of calendar year 2002 for purposes of special study.

<sup>5</sup> Sexually transmitted disease.

<sup>6</sup> Diseases noted should be reported IMMEDIATELY by telephone 1-800-362-2736.

<sup>7</sup> Numbers of staphylococcal isolates should be reported to the Department of Public Health on a quarterly basis.

<sup>8</sup> Isolates of organisms from diseases so noted should be sent to the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory.

<sup>9</sup> Diseases noted should be reported IMMEDIATELY by telephone 1-800-362-2736.

<sup>10</sup> NOTE: For these particular diseases, physicians and other health practitioners should not send a report to the department. The department has delegated to the State Health Registry of Iowa the responsibility for collecting these data through review of records from hospitals, radiation treatment centers, outpatient surgical facilities, oncology clinics, pathology laboratories, and physician offices. Prior to collecting the data from an office or facility, the State Health Registry of Iowa shall work with the office or facility to develop a process for abstracting records which is agreeable to the office or facility.

<sup>11</sup> NOTE: In the case of employers with more than 200 employees, cases of carpal tunnel syndrome and related neuropathy and Raynaud's phenomenon may be reported semiannually to the department in summary form. Separate semiannual summary reports shall be provided for each physical location where operations are conducted. Such summary reports shall include a separate count of cases of carpal tunnel syndrome and related neuropathy, and Raynaud's phenomenon, by sex and job category.

## **641—1.4(135,139A) Reporting and investigation.**

### **1.4(1) Reporting by telephone.**

*a. Quarantinable diseases.* A health care provider and a public, private, or hospital clinical laboratory shall immediately report any confirmed or suspected case of quarantinable disease by telephone to the department's disease notification hotline at 1-800-362-2736. The report shall include all information required by Iowa Code section 139A.3 and the following:

- (1) The stage of the disease process.
- (2) Clinical status.
- (3) Any treatment provided for the disease.
- (4) All household and other known contacts.
- (5) Whether household and other known contacts have been examined and the results of such examinations.

*b. Other diseases that carry serious consequences or spread rapidly.* A health care provider and a public, private, or hospital clinical laboratory shall immediately report any confirmed or suspected case of a common source epidemic or disease outbreak of unusual numbers by telephone to the department's disease notification hotline at 1-800-362-2736.

**1.4(2)** Reporting of other reportable diseases. Cases of other reportable diseases and conditions not included in 1.4(1) shall be reported to the department at least weekly by mail, telephone, facsimile, or other secure electronic means. If the department determines that reporting by mail hinders the application of organized control measures to protect the public health, the department may require that the disease or condition be reported by telephone.

**1.4(3)** Investigation of reportable diseases. A health care provider and a public, private, or hospital clinical laboratory shall assist in a disease investigation conducted by the department, a local board, or local department. A health care provider and a public, private, or hospital clinical laboratory shall provide the department, local board, or local department with all information necessary to conduct the investigation, including but not limited to medical records; exposure histories; medical histories; contact information; and test results necessary to the investigation, including positive, pending, and negative test results.

**1.4(4)** Each occurrence of a reportable cancer that is diagnosed or treated in an Iowa resident or occurs in a nonresident who is diagnosed or treated in an Iowa facility shall be reported to the State Health Registry of Iowa, administered by the Department of Epidemiology of the College of Public Health at the University of Iowa, by mail, telephone or electronic means.

**1.4(5)** Issuance of investigatory subpoenas.

*a.* The department may upon the written request of a local board of health, the state epidemiologist or designee, or the deputy state epidemiologist or designee, subpoena records, reports, or any other evidence necessary to conduct a disease investigation. The subpoena shall be signed by the division director of the division of acute disease prevention and emergency response or the division director's designee following review and approval of the written request for subpoena.

*b.* A written request for a subpoena shall contain the following:

- (1) The name and address of the person, facility, or entity to which the subpoena will be directed;
- (2) A specific description of the records, reports, or other evidence requested; and
- (3) An explanation of why the documents sought to be subpoenaed are necessary for the department to conduct the disease investigation.

*c.* Each subpoena shall contain:

- (1) The name and address of the person, facility, or entity to which the subpoena is directed;
- (2) A description of the records, reports, or other evidence requested;
- (3) The date, time, and location for production, inspection, or copying;
- (4) The time within which a motion to quash or modify the subpoena must be filed;
- (5) The signature, address, and telephone number of the division director;
- (6) The date of issuance; and
- (7) A return of service.

*d.* Process to challenge a subpoena.

- (1) Any person who is aggrieved or adversely affected by compliance with the subpoena and who desires to challenge the subpoena must, within five days after service of the subpoena, or before the time

specified for compliance if such time is less than five days, file with the department a motion to quash or modify the subpoena. The motion shall describe the reasons why the subpoena should be quashed or modified, and may be accompanied by legal briefs or factual affidavits.

(2) Upon receipt of a timely motion to quash or modify a subpoena, the department may request an administrative law judge to issue a decision. Oral argument may be scheduled at the discretion of the administrative law judge. The administrative law judge may quash or modify the subpoena, deny the motion, or issue an appropriate protective order.

(3) A person aggrieved by a ruling of an administrative law judge who desires to challenge that ruling must appeal the ruling to the department by serving on the department director, either in person or by certified mail, a notice of appeal within ten days after the service of the decision of the administrative law judge. The department director's decision is final for purposes of judicial review.

*e.* Subpoenas issued under this subrule and requests, motions, and pleadings related to the issuance of subpoenas are confidential pursuant to Iowa Code sections 139A.3 and 22.7.

#### **641—1.5(139A) Reporting forms.**

**1.5(1)** Cases of reportable diseases, poisonings and conditions shall be submitted in a format specified by the department.

**1.5(2)** Sexually transmitted disease/infection should be reported to the department on a sexually transmitted disease/infection form which is provided to health care providers and laboratories. Since these reports are confidential, they shall be transmitted in sealed envelopes or other secure fashion.

**1.5(3)** Occupational nurses may submit cases of occupationally related reportable diseases or conditions on report forms provided by the department, or may submit copies of either of the following forms:

*a.* Occupational Safety and Health Act Form No. 101, "Supplementary Record of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses," or

*b.* State of Iowa Form No. L-1WC-1, "Employers Work Injury Report, Employers First Report of Injury."

Copies of report forms listed in paragraph "*a*" or "*b*" will suffice only if the employer of the occupational nurse has already submitted the original reports to the Iowa industrial commissioner.

**1.5(4)** Reportable cancers shall be reported on the forms developed and distributed by the State Health Registry of Iowa. Data from the report forms will be supplemented with information obtained from records from hospitals, radiation treatment centers, outpatient surgical centers, oncology clinics, pathology laboratories, and physician offices through an abstracting process developed by the State Health Registry of Iowa. Tissue samples may also be submitted under the authority of this rule. The content of the reports shall include, but not be limited to, follow-up data and demographic, diagnostic, treatment, and other medical information.

#### **641—1.6(139A) Who should report.**

**1.6(1)** Health care providers are required by law to report all cases of reportable diseases attended by them.

**1.6(2)** Hospitals and other health care facilities are required to report cases of reportable diseases.

**1.6(3)** School nurses are to report suspected cases of reportable diseases occurring among the children supervised.

**1.6(4)** School officials, through the principal or superintendent as appropriate, are required to report when there is no school nurse.

**1.6(5)** Laboratories are required to report cases of reportable diseases and results obtained in the examination of all specimens which yield evidence of or are reactive for sexually transmitted diseases.

**1.6(6)** Poison control and poison information centers are required to report inquiries about cases of reportable diseases received by them.

**1.6(7)** Medical examiners are required to report their investigatory finding of any death which was caused by or otherwise involved a reportable disease.

**1.6(8)** Occupational nurses are required to report cases of reportable diseases, if occupationally related.

**1.6(9)** Occurrences of reportable cancers shall be reported by registrars employed by the State Health Registry of Iowa, registrars employed by health care facilities, and health care providers involved in the diagnosis, care, or treatment of individuals with a reportable cancer.

**641—1.7(139A) Treatment of infant eyes.** The Iowa department of public health approves 1 percent silver nitrate solution in single-dose ampules or single-use tubes of an ophthalmic ointment containing 1 percent tetracycline or 0.5 percent erythromycin in each conjunctival sac as an ophthalmia prophylactic for newborn infants' eyes. Prophylaxis should be given after birth, but in no instance delayed for more than one hour after delivery. Once applied, none of the above agents used for prophylaxis shall be flushed from the eyes following installation.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 139A.38.

**641—1.8(139A) Isolation.** Isolation and quarantine should be consistent with guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia. (Garner JS, Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee. Guideline for isolation precautions in hospitals. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol* 1996; 17:53-80, and *Am J Infect Control* 1996; 24:24-52.)

**641—1.9(135,139A) Quarantine and isolation.**

**1.9(1)** *Examination, testing and treatment of quarantinable diseases.*

*a.* A health care provider who attends an individual with a suspected or active quarantinable disease shall make all reasonable efforts in accordance with guidance from a local health department or the department to examine or cause all household and other known contacts of the individual to be examined by a physician. The physician shall promptly report to the department the results of such examination. If the individual refuses or is unable to undergo examination, the health care provider shall promptly report such information to the department.

*b.* When required by the department, all contacts not examined by a physician, including all adult and minor contacts, shall submit to a diagnostic test or tests. If any suspicious abnormality is found, steps satisfactory to the department shall be taken to refer the individual promptly to a physician or appropriate medical facility for further evaluation and, if necessary, treatment. The referring health care provider or facility shall notify the receiving health care provider or facility of the suspicious abnormality. When requested by the department, a physician shall report the results of the examination of a contact to the case or suspected case or incident.

*c.* Upon order of the department or local board of health, an individual with a suspected or active quarantinable disease shall not attend the workplace or school and shall not be present at other public places until the individual receives the approval of the department or a local board of health to engage in such activity. Upon order of the department or local board of health, employers, schools and other public places shall exclude an individual with a suspected or active quarantinable disease. An individual may also be excluded from other premises or facilities if the department or a local board of health determines the premises or facilities cannot be maintained in a manner adequate to protect others against the spread of the disease.

**1.9(2)** *General provisions.*

*a. Voluntary confinement.* Prior to instituting mandatory isolation or quarantine pursuant to this rule, the department or a local board of health may request that an individual or group of individuals voluntarily confine themselves to a private home or other facility.

*b. Quarantine and isolation.* The department and local boards of health are authorized to impose and enforce quarantine and isolation restrictions. Quarantine and isolation shall rarely be imposed by the department or by local boards of health. If a quarantinable disease occurs in Iowa, individuals with a suspected or active quarantinable disease and contacts to the case may be quarantined or isolated as the particular situation requires. Any quarantine or isolation imposed by the department or a local board of health shall be established and enforced in accordance with this rule.



**1.9(3) *Conditions and principles.*** The department and local boards of health shall adhere to all of the following conditions and principles when isolating or quarantining individuals or a group of individuals:

*a.* The isolation or quarantine shall be by the least restrictive means necessary to prevent the spread of a communicable or possibly communicable disease to others and may include, but not be limited to, confinement to private homes, other private premises, or public premises.

*b.* Isolated individuals shall be confined separately from quarantined individuals.

*c.* The health status of isolated or quarantined individuals shall be monitored regularly to determine if the individuals require further or continued isolation or quarantine.

*d.* If a quarantined individual subsequently becomes infected or is reasonably believed to have become infected with a communicable or possibly communicable disease, the individual shall be promptly removed to isolation.

*e.* Isolated or quarantined individuals shall be immediately released when the department or local board of health determines that the individuals pose no substantial risk of transmitting a communicable or possibly communicable disease.

*f.* The needs of isolated or quarantined individuals shall be addressed in a systematic and competent fashion including, but not limited to, providing adequate food; clothing; shelter; means of communicating with those in and outside of isolation or quarantine; medication; and competent medical care.

*g.* The premises used for isolation or quarantine shall be maintained in a safe and hygienic manner and shall be designed to minimize the likelihood of further transmission of infection or other harm to isolated or quarantined individuals.

*h.* To the extent possible, cultural and religious beliefs shall be considered in addressing the needs of individuals in isolation or quarantine premises and in establishing and maintaining the premises.

**1.9(4) *Isolation or quarantine premises.***

*a.* Sites of isolation or quarantine shall be prominently placarded with isolation or quarantine signs prescribed and furnished by the department and posted on all sides of the building wherever access is possible.

*b.* An individual subject to isolation or quarantine shall obey the rules and orders of the department or the local board of health and shall not go beyond the isolation or quarantine premises.

*c.* The department or a local board of health may authorize physicians, health care workers, or others access to individuals in isolation or quarantine as necessary to meet the needs of isolated or quarantined individuals.

*d.* No individual, other than an individual authorized by the department or a local board of health, shall enter isolation or quarantine premises. If the department has requested the assistance of law enforcement in enforcing the isolation or quarantine, the department shall provide law enforcement personnel with a list of individuals authorized to enter the isolation or quarantine premises.

*e.* Any individual entering an isolation or quarantine premises with or without authorization of the department or a local board of health may be isolated or quarantined pursuant to this rule.

**1.9(5) *Isolation and quarantine by local boards of health.***

*a.* A local board of health may:

(1) Isolate individuals who are presumably or actually infected with a quarantinable disease;

(2) Quarantine individuals who have been exposed to a quarantinable disease;

(3) Establish and maintain places of isolation and quarantine; and

(4) Adopt emergency rules and issue orders as necessary to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation or quarantine.

*b.* Isolation and quarantine undertaken by a local board of health shall be accomplished according to the rules and regulations of the local board of health so long as such rules are not inconsistent with this chapter.

**1.9(6) *Isolation and quarantine by the Iowa department of public health.***

*a. Authority.*

(1) The department, through the director, the department's medical director, or the director's or medical director's designee, may:

1. Isolate individuals or groups of individuals who are presumably or actually infected with a quarantinable disease; and

2. Quarantine individuals or groups of individuals who have been exposed to a quarantinable disease, including individuals who are unable or unwilling to undergo examination, testing, vaccination, or treatment, pursuant to 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 33.

- (2) The department may:

1. Establish and maintain places of isolation and quarantine; and

2. Adopt emergency rules and issue orders as necessary to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation or quarantine.

- (3) Isolation and quarantine undertaken by the department, including isolation and quarantine undertaken by the department in the event of a public health disaster, shall be established pursuant to paragraph 1.9(6) "b" or "c."

*b. Temporary isolation and quarantine without notice.* The department may temporarily isolate or quarantine an individual or groups of individuals through an oral order, without notice, only if delay in imposing the isolation or quarantine would significantly jeopardize the department's ability to prevent or limit the transmission of a communicable or possibly communicable disease to others. If the department imposes temporary isolation or quarantine of an individual or groups of individuals through an oral order, the department shall issue a written order as soon as is reasonably possible and in all cases within 24 hours of issuance of the oral order if continued isolation or quarantine is necessary to prevent or limit the transmission of a communicable or possibly communicable disease.

*c. Written order.* The department may isolate or quarantine an individual or groups of individuals through a written order issued pursuant to this rule.

- (1) The written order shall include all of the following:

1. The identity of the individual, individuals, or groups of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine.

2. The premises subject to isolation or quarantine.

3. The date and time at which isolation or quarantine commences.

4. The suspected communicable disease.

5. A description of the less restrictive alternatives that were attempted and were unsuccessful, or the less restrictive alternatives that were considered and rejected, and the reasons such alternatives were rejected.

6. A statement of compliance with the conditions and principles for isolation and quarantine specified in subrule 1.9(3).

7. The legal authority under which the order is requested.

8. The medical basis upon which isolation or quarantine is justified.

9. A statement advising the individual, individuals, or groups of individuals of the right to appeal the written order pursuant to subrule 1.9(7) and the rights of individuals and groups of individuals subject to quarantine and isolation as listed in subrule 1.9(8).

10. A copy of this chapter and the relevant definitions of this rule.

- (2) A copy of the written order shall be provided to the individual to be isolated or quarantined within 24 hours of issuance of the order in accordance with any applicable process authorized by the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. If the order applies to a group or groups of individuals and it is impractical to provide individual copies, the order may be posted in a conspicuous place in the isolation or quarantine premises.

**1.9(7) Appeal from order imposing isolation or quarantine.**

*a. Contested case.* The subject of a department order imposing isolation or quarantine may appeal a written order and has the right to a contested case hearing regarding such appeal. The subject of a department order imposing isolation or quarantine may appeal the order by submitting a written appeal within ten days of receipt of the written order. The appeal shall be addressed to the Department of Public Health, Division of Epidemiology, Emergency Medical Services, and Disaster Operations, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Unless stayed by order of the director or a district

court, the written order for quarantine or isolation shall remain in force and effect until the appeal is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

*b. Presiding officer.* The presiding officer in a contested case shall be the director or the director's designee. The director or the director's designee may be assisted by an administrative law judge in conducting the contested case hearing. The decision of the director or the director's designee shall be the department's final decision and is subject to judicial review in accordance with the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 17A.

*c. Proceeding.* The contested case hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions contained at 641—Chapter 173. The hearing shall be held as soon as is practicable, and in no case later than ten days from the date of receipt of the appeal. The hearing may be held by telephonic or other electronic means if necessary to prevent additional exposure to the communicable or possibly communicable disease. In extraordinary circumstances and for good cause shown, the department may apply to continue the hearing date for up to ten additional days on a petition filed pursuant to this rule. The presiding officer may use discretion in granting a continuance giving due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence.

*d. Judicial review.* The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A. Petitions for judicial review shall be filed within 30 days after the decision becomes final.

*e. Immediate judicial review of department order.* The department acknowledges that in certain circumstances the subject or subjects of a department order may desire immediate judicial review of a department order in lieu of proceeding with the contested case process. The department recognizes that the procedural step of pursuing exhaustion of administrative remedies may be inadequate for purposes of Iowa Code section 17A.19, and the department may consent to immediate jurisdiction of the district court when requested by the subject or subjects of a department order and justice so requires. Unless stayed by order of the director or a district court, the written order for quarantine or isolation shall remain in force and effect until the judicial review is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

**1.9(8) Rights of individuals and groups of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine.** Any individual or group of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine shall have the following rights:

- a.* The right to be represented by legal counsel.
- b.* The right to be provided with prior notice of the date, time, and location of any hearing.
- c.* The right to participate in any hearing. The hearing may be held by telephonic or other electronic means if necessary to prevent additional exposure to the communicable or possibly communicable disease.
- d.* The right to respond and present evidence and argument on the individual's own behalf in any hearing.
- e.* The right to cross-examine witnesses who testify against the individual.
- f.* The right to view and copy all records in the possession of the department which relate to the subject of the written order.

**1.9(9) Consolidation of claims.** In any proceeding brought pursuant to this rule, to promote the fair and efficient operation of justice and having given due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence, the department or a court may order the consolidation of individual claims into group claims, if all of the following conditions exist:

- a.* The number of individuals involved or to be affected is so large that individual participation is impractical.
- b.* There are questions of law or fact common to the individual claims or rights to be determined.
- c.* The group claims or rights to be determined are typical of the affected individuals' claims or rights.
- d.* The entire group will be adequately represented in the consolidation.

**1.9(10) Implementation and enforcement of isolation and quarantine.**

*a. Jurisdictional issues.* The department has primary jurisdiction to isolate or quarantine individuals or groups of individuals if the communicable disease outbreak has affected more than one county or has multicounty, statewide, or interstate public health implications. When imposing isolation or quarantine, the department shall coordinate with the local health department as appropriate. If isolation or quarantine is imposed by the department, a local board of health or local health department may not alter, amend, modify, or rescind the isolation or quarantine order.

*b. Assistance of local boards of health and local health departments.* If isolation or quarantine is imposed by the department, the local boards of health and the local health departments in the affected areas shall assist in the implementation of the isolation or quarantine order.

*c. Assistance of law enforcement.* Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.35, all peace officers of the state shall enforce and execute a lawful department order for isolation or quarantine within their respective jurisdictions. The department shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the risk of exposure to peace officers and others assisting with enforcement of an isolation or quarantine order.

*d. Penalty.* Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38, any individual who knowingly violates a lawful department order for isolation or quarantine, whether written or oral, shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor. The court-ordered sentence may include a fine of up to \$500 and imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.

*e. Enforcement action.* The department may file a civil action in Polk County district court to enforce a department order for isolation or quarantine. Such action shall be filed in accordance with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure.

**641—1.10(139A) Disinfection.** Disinfection should be consistent with guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Atlanta, Georgia. (Garner JS, Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee. Guideline for isolation precautions in hospitals. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol* 1996; 17:53-80, and *Am J Infect Control* 1996; 24:24-52.)

**641—1.11(141A) Contagious or infectious disease notification at time of death.** The purpose of this rule is to establish contagious or infectious disease notification requirements for the information of any person handling a dead body.

**1.11(1)** A health care provider attending a person prior to the person's death shall, at the time of death, place with the body a written notice which specifies or signifies either "known contagious or infectious disease" or "suspected contagious or infectious disease."

**1.11(2)** The health facility in which the health care provider is working shall be responsible for establishing written procedures and implementing the specific internal practices necessary to satisfy this notification requirement.

**641—1.12(135,137,139A) Quarantine and isolation—model rule for local boards.**

**1.12(1) Applicability.** The provisions of rule 1.12(135,137,139A) are applicable in jurisdictions in which a local board has adopted this rule by reference in accordance with Iowa Code section 137.6. This rule shall not be construed to require a local board to adopt this model rule.

**1.12(2) Definitions.**

"Board" means [insert the name of the city, county, or district board of health].

"Department" means the Iowa department of public health.

"Isolation" means the separation of persons or animals presumably or actually infected with a communicable disease, or that are disease carriers, for the usual period of communicability of that disease. Isolation shall be in such places, marked by placards if necessary, and under such conditions to prevent the direct or indirect conveyance of the infectious agent or contagion to susceptible individuals.

"Quarantinable disease" means any communicable disease which presents a risk of serious harm to public health and which may require isolation or quarantine to prevent its spread. "Quarantinable disease" includes but is not limited to cholera; diphtheria; infectious tuberculosis; plague; smallpox;

yellow fever; viral hemorrhagic fevers, including Lassa, Marburg, Ebola, Crimean-Congo, South American, and others not yet isolated or named; and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).

“*Quarantine*” means the limitation of freedom of movement of persons or animals that have been exposed to a communicable disease, within specified limits marked by placards, for a period of time equal to the longest usual incubation period of the disease. The limitation of movement shall be in such manner as to prevent the spread of a communicable disease.

**1.12(3) *General provisions.***

*a.* Voluntary confinement. Prior to instituting mandatory isolation or quarantine pursuant to this rule, the board may request that an individual or group of individuals voluntarily confine themselves to a private home or other facility.

*b.* Quarantine and isolation. The board is authorized to impose and enforce quarantine and isolation restrictions. Quarantine and isolation shall rarely be imposed by the board. If a quarantinable disease occurs in Iowa, individuals with a suspected or active quarantinable disease and contacts to the case may be quarantined or isolated as the particular situation requires. Any quarantine or isolation imposed by the board shall be established and enforced in accordance with this rule.

*c.* The local board of health shall notify, consult and work cooperatively with the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship and the state veterinarian office on issues relating to isolation and quarantine of animals.

**1.12(4) *Conditions and principles.*** The board shall adhere to all of the following conditions and principles when isolating or quarantining individuals or a group of individuals:

*a.* The isolation or quarantine shall be by the least restrictive means necessary to prevent the spread of a communicable or possibly communicable disease to others and may include, but is not limited to, confinement to private homes, other private premises, or public premises.

*b.* Isolated individuals shall be confined separately from quarantined individuals.

*c.* The health status of isolated or quarantined individuals shall be monitored regularly to determine if the individuals require further or continued isolation or quarantine.

*d.* If a quarantined individual subsequently becomes infected or is reasonably believed to have become infected with a communicable or possibly communicable disease, the individual shall be promptly removed to isolation.

*e.* Isolated or quarantined individuals shall be immediately released when the board determines that the individuals pose no substantial risk of transmitting a communicable or possibly communicable disease.

*f.* The needs of isolated or quarantined individuals shall be addressed in a systematic and competent fashion including, but not limited to, providing adequate food; clothing; shelter; means of communicating with those in and outside of isolation or quarantine; medication; and competent medical care.

*g.* The premises used for isolation or quarantine shall be maintained in a safe and hygienic manner and shall be designed to minimize the likelihood of further transmission of infection or other harm to isolated or quarantined individuals.

*h.* To the extent possible, cultural and religious beliefs shall be considered in addressing the needs of individuals in isolation and quarantine premises and in establishing and maintaining the premises.

**1.12(5) *Isolation or quarantine premises.***

*a.* Sites of isolation or quarantine shall be prominently placarded with isolation or quarantine signs prescribed and furnished by the department and posted on all sides of the building wherever access is possible.

*b.* An individual subject to isolation or quarantine shall obey the rules and orders of the board and shall not go beyond the isolation or quarantine premises.

*c.* The department or the board may authorize physicians, health care workers, or others access to individuals in isolation or quarantine as necessary to meet the needs of isolated or quarantined individuals.

*d.* No individual, other than an individual authorized by the department or the board, shall enter isolation or quarantine premises. If the department has requested the assistance of law enforcement in

enforcing the isolation or quarantine, the department shall provide law enforcement personnel with a list of individuals authorized to enter the isolation or quarantine premises.

*e.* Any individual entering an isolation or quarantine premises with or without authorization of the department or the board may be isolated or quarantined pursuant to this rule.

**1.12(6) *Isolation and quarantine.***

*a.* Authority. The board may:

- (1) Isolate individuals who are presumably or actually infected with a quarantinable disease;
- (2) Quarantine individuals who have been exposed to a quarantinable disease;
- (3) Establish and maintain places of isolation and quarantine; and
- (4) Adopt emergency rules and issue orders as necessary to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation or quarantine.

*b.* Isolation and quarantine undertaken by the board shall be accomplished in accordance with this rule.

*c.* Temporary isolation and quarantine without notice. The board may temporarily isolate or quarantine an individual or groups of individuals through an oral order, without notice, only if delay in imposing the isolation or quarantine would significantly jeopardize the board's ability to prevent or limit the transmission of a communicable or possibly communicable disease to others. If the board imposes temporary isolation or quarantine of an individual or groups of individuals through an oral order, the board shall issue a written order as soon as is reasonably possible and in all cases within 24 hours of issuance of the oral order if continued isolation or quarantine is necessary to prevent or limit the transmission of a communicable or possibly communicable disease.

*d.* Written order. The board may isolate or quarantine an individual or groups of individuals through a written order issued pursuant to this rule.

(1) The written order shall include all of the following:

1. The identity of the individual, individuals, or groups of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine.

2. The premises subject to isolation or quarantine.

3. The date and time at which isolation or quarantine commences.

4. The suspected communicable disease.

5. A description of the less restrictive alternatives that were attempted and were unsuccessful, or the less restrictive alternatives that were considered and rejected, and the reasons such alternatives were rejected.

6. A statement of compliance with the conditions and principles for isolation and quarantine specified in subrule 1.12(4).

7. The legal authority under which the order is requested.

8. The medical basis upon which isolation or quarantine is justified.

9. A statement advising the individual, individuals, or groups of individuals of the right to appeal the written order pursuant to subrule 1.12(7) and the rights of individuals and groups of individuals subject to quarantine and isolation as listed in subrule 1.12(8).

10. A copy of this rule and the relevant definitions.

(2) A copy of the written order shall be provided to the individual to be isolated or quarantined within 24 hours of issuance of the order in accordance with any applicable process authorized by the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. If the order applies to a group or groups of individuals and it is impractical to provide individual copies, the order may be posted in a conspicuous place in the isolation or quarantine premises.

**1.12(7) *Appeal from order imposing isolation or quarantine.***

*a.* *Appeal.* The subject of a board order imposing isolation or quarantine may appeal a written order by submitting a written appeal within ten days of receipt of the written order. The appeal shall be addressed to [insert name of board and board address]. Unless stayed by order of the board or a district court, the written order for quarantine or isolation shall remain in force and effect until the appeal is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

*b. Proceeding.* The appeal proceeding shall be conducted in accordance with this rule [or insert specific board rule governing appeal proceedings]. The proceeding shall be held as soon as is practicable, and in no case later than ten days from the date of receipt of the appeal. The hearing may be held by telephonic or other electronic means if necessary to prevent additional exposure to the communicable or possibly communicable disease. In extraordinary circumstances and for good cause shown, the board may continue the proceeding date for up to ten days, giving due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence. At the appeal proceeding, the subject of the appeal shall have the right to introduce evidence on all issues relevant to the order. The board, by majority vote, may modify, withdraw, or order compliance with the order under appeal.

*c. Judicial review.* The aggrieved party to the final decision of the board may petition for judicial review of that action by filing an action in the appropriate district court. Petitions for judicial review shall be filed within 30 days after the decision becomes final.

*d. Immediate judicial review of board order.* The board acknowledges that in certain circumstances the subject or subjects of a board order may desire immediate judicial review of a board order in lieu of proceeding with the board's appeal process. The board may consent to immediate jurisdiction of the district court when requested by the subject or subjects of a board order and justice so requires. Unless stayed by order of the board or a district court, the written order for quarantine or isolation shall remain in force and effect until the judicial review is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

**1.12(8) Rights of individuals and groups of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine.** Any individual or group of individuals subject to isolation or quarantine shall have the following rights:

- a.* The right to be represented by legal counsel.
- b.* The right to be provided with prior notice of the date, time, and location of any hearing.
- c.* The right to participate in any hearing. The hearing may be held by telephonic or other electronic means if necessary to prevent additional exposure to the communicable or possibly communicable disease.
- d.* The right to respond and present evidence and argument on the individual's own behalf in any hearing.
- e.* The right to cross-examine witnesses who testify against the individual.
- f.* The right to view and copy all records in the possession of the board which relate to the subject of the written order.

**1.12(9) Consolidation of claims.** In any proceeding brought pursuant to this rule, to promote the fair and efficient operation of justice and having given due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence, the board or a court may order the consolidation of individual claims into group claims, if all of the following conditions exist:

- a.* The number of individuals involved or to be affected is large enough that consolidation would be the best use of resources.
- b.* There are questions of law or fact common to the individual claims or rights to be determined.
- c.* The group claims or rights to be determined are typical of the affected individuals' claims or rights.
- d.* The entire group will be adequately represented in the consolidation.

**1.12(10) Implementation and enforcement of isolation and quarantine.**

*a. Jurisdictional issues.* The department has primary jurisdiction to isolate or quarantine individuals or groups of individuals if the communicable disease outbreak has affected more than one county or has multicounty, statewide, or interstate public health implications. If isolation or quarantine is imposed by the department, the board may not alter, amend, modify, or rescind the isolation or quarantine order.

*b. Assistance of local boards of health and local health departments.* If isolation or quarantine is imposed by the department, the local boards of health and the local health departments in the affected areas shall assist in the implementation of the isolation or quarantine order.

*c. Penalty.* Pursuant to Iowa Code sections 137.21 and 139A.25(1), any individual who violates a lawful board order for isolation or quarantine, whether written or oral, shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor. The court-ordered sentence may include a fine of up to \$500 and imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.

*d. Enforcement action.* The board, through the office of the county attorney, may file a civil action in the appropriate district court to enforce a board order for isolation or quarantine. Such action shall be filed in accordance with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure.

**641—1.13(135,139A) Area quarantine.**

**1.13(1) General provisions.** The department and local boards of health are authorized to impose and enforce area quarantines in accordance with this rule. Area quarantine shall rarely be imposed by the department or by local boards of health.

**1.13(2) Conditions and principles.** The department and local boards of health shall adhere to all of the following conditions and principles when imposing and enforcing area quarantine:

*a.* Area quarantine shall be imposed by the least restrictive means necessary to prevent or contain the spread of a suspected or confirmed quarantinable disease or suspected or known hazardous or toxic agent.

*b.* Area quarantine shall be immediately terminated when the department or a local board of health determines that no substantial risk of exposure to a quarantinable disease or hazardous or toxic agent continues to exist.

*c.* The geographical boundaries of an area quarantine shall be established by risk assessment procedures including medical and scientific analysis of the quarantinable disease or hazardous or toxic agent, the location of the affected area, the risk of spread or contamination, and other relevant information.

**1.13(3) Area quarantine sites.**

*a.* Sites of area quarantine shall be prominently identified to restrict ingress and egress to and from the area, to the extent practicable. The department or a local board of health may placard or otherwise identify the site, or may request the assistance of law enforcement in identifying the site.

*b.* No individual, other than an individual authorized by the department or a local board of health, shall enter a building, structure, or other physical location subject to area quarantine. The department or a local board of health may authorize public health officials, environmental specialists, health care providers, or others access to an area quarantine site as necessary to conduct public health investigations, to decontaminate the site, or for other public health purposes. Notwithstanding any provision in this chapter to the contrary, law enforcement, fire service, and emergency medical service providers may enter an area quarantine site to provide emergency response services or to conduct emergency law enforcement investigations or other emergency activities without authorization by the department or a local board of health. If the department has requested the assistance of law enforcement in enforcing the area quarantine, the department shall provide law enforcement personnel with a list of individuals authorized to enter the area quarantine site.

*c.* An individual authorized to enter an area quarantine site may be required to wear personal protective equipment as appropriate.

*d.* No individual, other than an individual authorized by the department or a local board of health, shall remove any item or object from a building, structure, or other physical location subject to area quarantine.

*e.* An individual entering an area quarantine site without authorization of the department or a local board of health may be isolated or quarantined pursuant to rule 1.9(135,139A) and may be found guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

**1.13(4) Area quarantine by local boards of health or the department of public health.**

*a. Authority.*

(1) The department, through the director, the department's medical director, or the director or medical director's designee, may impose area quarantine through oral or written order. Prior to imposing area quarantine, the department shall attempt to notify the local board or boards of health in the affected



geographic area. If attempts to notify the local boards of health are initially unsuccessful, the department shall continue to make regular notification attempts until successful.

(2) A local board of health may impose area quarantine through oral or written order. Prior to imposing area quarantine, a local board of health shall attempt to notify the department by contacting the director, medical director, or department duty officer by telephone. If attempts to notify the department are initially unsuccessful, the local board of health shall continue to make regular notification attempts until successful.

*b. Temporary area quarantine without notice.* The department or a local board of health may temporarily impose area quarantine through an oral order, without notice, only if delay in imposing area quarantine would significantly jeopardize the department's or local board's ability to prevent or contain the spread of a suspected or confirmed quarantinable disease or to prevent or contain exposure to a suspected or known hazardous or toxic agent. If the department or local board imposes temporary area quarantine through an oral order, a written order shall be issued as soon as is reasonably possible and in all cases within 24 hours of issuance of the oral order if continued area quarantine is necessary.

*c. Written order.* The department or local board may impose area quarantine through a written order issued pursuant to this rule.

(1) The written order shall include all of the following:

1. The building or buildings, structure or structures, or other definable physical location, or portion thereof, subject to area quarantine.
2. The date and time at which area quarantine commences and the date and time at which the area quarantine shall be terminated, if known.
3. The suspected or confirmed quarantinable disease or the chemical, biological, radioactive, or other hazardous or toxic agent.
4. A statement of compliance with the conditions and principles for area quarantine specified in subrule 1.13(2).
5. The legal authority under which the order is imposed.
6. The medical or scientific basis upon which area quarantine is justified.
7. A statement advising the owner or owners of the building or buildings, structure or structures, or other definable physical location subject to area quarantine of the right to appeal the written order pursuant to subrule 1.13(5) and the rights of owners of sites subject to area quarantine pursuant to subrule 1.13(6).
8. A copy of 641—Chapter 1 and the relevant provisions of this rule.

(2) A copy of the written order shall be provided to the owner or owners of the building or buildings, structure or structures, or other definable physical location subject to area quarantine within 24 hours of issuance of the order in accordance with any applicable process authorized by the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure; or, if the order applies to a group of owners and it is impractical to provide individual notice to each owner, the written order shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the site of area quarantine.

**1.13(5) Appeal from order imposing area quarantine.**

*a. Contested case.* The subject of a department order imposing area quarantine may appeal a written order and has the right to a contested case hearing regarding such appeal. The subject of a department order imposing area quarantine may appeal the order by submitting a written appeal within 10 days of receipt or other notice of the written order. The appeal shall be addressed to the Department of Public Health, Division of Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Unless stayed by order of the director or a district court, the written order for area quarantine shall remain in force and effect until the appeal is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

*b. Presiding officer.* The presiding officer in a contested case shall be the director or the director's designee. The director or the director's designee may be assisted by an administrative law judge in conducting the contested case hearing. The decision of the director or the director's designee shall be the agency's final decision and is subject to judicial review in accordance with the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 17A.

*c. Proceeding.* The contested case hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions contained at 641—Chapter 173. The hearing shall be held as soon as is practicable, and in no case later than 10 days from the date of receipt of the appeal. In extraordinary circumstances and for good cause shown, the department may apply to continue the hearing date on a petition filed pursuant to this paragraph for up to 10 days, which continuance the presiding officer may grant in its discretion giving due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence.

*d. Judicial review.* The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A. Petitions for judicial review shall be filed within 30 days after the decision becomes final.

*e. Immediate judicial review of department order.* The department acknowledges that in certain circumstances the subject or subjects of a department order may desire immediate judicial review of a department order in lieu of proceeding with the contested case process. The department recognizes that the procedural step of pursuing exhaustion of administrative remedies may be inadequate for purposes of Iowa Code section 17A.19, and the department may consent to immediate jurisdiction of the district court when requested by the subject or subjects of a department order and justice so requires. Unless stayed by order of the director or a district court, the written order for area quarantine shall remain in force and effect until the judicial review is finally determined and disposed of upon its merits.

**1.13(6) Rights of owners of sites subject to area quarantine.** An owner of a building, structure, or other physical location subject to area quarantine shall have the following rights:

- a.* The right to be represented by legal counsel.
- b.* The right to be provided with prior notice of the date, time, and location of any hearing.
- c.* The right to participate in any hearing.
- d.* The right to respond and present evidence and argument on the owner's own behalf in any hearing.
- e.* The right to cross-examine witnesses who testify against the individual.
- f.* The right to view and copy all records in the possession of the department which relate to the subject of the written order.

**1.13(7) Consolidation of claims.** In any proceeding brought pursuant to this rule, to promote the fair and efficient operation of justice and having given due regard to the rights of the affected individuals, the protection of the public's health, and the availability of necessary witnesses and evidence, the department or a court may order the consolidation of individual claims into group claims, if all of the following conditions exist:

- a.* The number of individuals involved or who may be affected is so large that individual participation is impractical.
- b.* There are questions of law or fact common to the individual claims or rights to be determined.
- c.* The group claims or rights to be determined are typical of the affected individuals' claims or rights.
- d.* The entire group will be adequately represented in the consolidation.

**1.13(8) Implementation and enforcement of area quarantine.**

*a. Jurisdictional issues.* The department has primary jurisdiction to impose area quarantine if the quarantinable disease or hazardous or toxic agent has affected more than one county and implicates multicounty or statewide public health concerns. If area quarantine is imposed by the department, a local board of health or local health department may not alter, amend, modify, or rescind the area quarantine order.

*b. Assistance of local boards of health and local health departments.* If area quarantine is imposed by the department, the local boards of health and the local health departments in the affected areas shall assist in the implementation of the area quarantine.

*c. Assistance of law enforcement.* Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.35, all peace officers of the state shall enforce and execute a lawful department order for area quarantine within their respective jurisdictions. The department shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the risk of individual exposure of peace officers and others assisting with enforcement of an area quarantine order.

*d. Emergency response, investigation, and decontamination—authority of other agencies.* Emergency response, investigation, and decontamination activities in and around an area quarantine site shall be conducted by law enforcement, fire service, emergency medical service providers, or other appropriate federal, state, or local officials in accordance with federal and state law and accepted procedures and protocols for emergency response, investigation, and decontamination. This rule shall not be construed to limit the authority of law enforcement, fire service, emergency medical service providers, or other federal, state, or local officials to conduct emergency response, investigation, or decontamination activities to the extent authorized by federal and state law and accepted procedures and protocols.

*e. Penalty.* Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38, any individual who knowingly violates a lawful department order for area quarantine, whether written or oral, shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor. The court-ordered sentence may include a fine of up to \$500 and imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.

*f. Enforcement action.* The department may file a civil action in Polk County District Court to enforce a department order for area quarantine. Such action shall be filed in accordance with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement sections 135.140, 135.144, and 139A.2 and Iowa Code sections 135.11(4), 139A.3, 139A.4, 139A.5, 139A.9, 139A.21, 139A.31, 141A.1, 141A.2 and 141A.5.

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CHAPTER 2  
HEPATITIS PROGRAMS

VIRAL HEPATITIS PROGRAM—VACCINATIONS AND TESTING

**641—2.1(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Contracted agencies*” means local health departments, clinics, and community-based organizations that are funded by the department to provide HCV testing and vaccination services.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*HCV*” means the hepatitis C virus as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

“*Viral hepatitis*” means inflammation of the liver caused by one of several viruses: hepatitis A, B, C (formerly non-A, non-B), D and E.

**641—2.2(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the viral hepatitis program shall be to distribute information, offer HCV testing, and offer hepatitis A and B vaccinations to the citizens of this state who are at an increased risk of viral hepatitis exposure.

**641—2.3(135) Exposure risks for hepatitis C virus.** The following individuals are at increased risk of exposure to HCV as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

**2.3(1)** The following individuals are at high risk of infection:

- a. Injection drug users (IDUs);
- b. Recipients of clotting factors made before 1987; and
- c. Hemodialysis patients.

**2.3(2)** The following individuals are at intermediate risk of infection:

- a. Recipients of blood or solid organs before 1992;
- b. Persons with undiagnosed liver problems; and
- c. Infants born to HCV-infected mothers.

**2.3(3)** The following individuals are at low risk of infection:

- a. Health care/public safety workers;
- b. Persons having sex with multiple partners; and
- c. Persons having sex with an HCV-infected steady partner.

**641—2.4(135) Information for public distribution.** The department shall make available educational materials to the public on hepatitis C infection, how to avoid transmitting the virus, and where to seek counseling and testing services. The information shall be available on the department’s Web site at <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/adper/hepatitis.asp> and by mail to HIV/AIDS Hepatitis Program, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

**641—2.5(135) Hepatitis vaccination and testing program.**

**2.5(1)** When sufficient state and federal funds are available, the department will establish a vaccination and testing program. The program shall offer HCV testing and hepatitis A and B vaccinations through local health departments, clinics, and community-based organizations to high-risk individuals as defined in 2.5(2) and 2.5(3). Contracted agencies offering testing and vaccination services shall be required to provide integrated HIV, viral hepatitis, and sexually transmitted disease education; pretest and posttest counseling; and referral services.

**2.5(2)** Contracted agencies shall offer HCV testing to the following high-risk individuals:

- a. Persons who have ever injected drugs;
- b. Injection drug users who share needles or other equipment;
- c. Persons who receive blood, blood products, or organ transplants prior to 1992; and
- d. Persons ever on long-term hemodialysis.

**2.5(3)** Contracted agencies shall offer hepatitis A and B vaccinations to the following high-risk individuals:

- a. Injection and noninjection drug users;
- b. Men who have sex with men;
- c. Persons with a diagnosis of a recently acquired sexually transmitted disease (STD);
- d. HIV- or HCV-infected persons; and
- e. Sexual partners of persons infected with HIV, hepatitis A (HAV), or hepatitis B (HBV).

**2.5(4)** Contracted agencies shall provide individuals presenting for counseling, testing, and referral services and testing positive for hepatitis C educational brochures explaining their potential risk of exposure.

**2.5(5)** Contracted agencies shall provide individuals testing positive for HCV a referral list of health care providers to aid in seeking additional follow-up testing and other hepatitis-related services.

**641—2.6 to 2.8** Reserved.

HEPATITIS C AWARENESS PROGRAM—VETERANS

**641—2.9(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“HCV”* means the hepatitis C virus as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*“Veteran”* means an individual meeting the definition contained in Iowa Code section 35.1.

**641—2.10(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the hepatitis C awareness program shall be to distribute information to veterans regarding the higher incidence of hepatitis C exposure and infection among veterans, the dangers presented by the disease, and contact information and referrals.

**641—2.11(135) Awareness materials.** The department shall provide hepatitis awareness materials to veterans through various educational media.

**641—2.12(135) Awareness information.** Information distributed by the department shall contain the following statements:

**2.12(1)** HCV infection rates for veterans are estimated to be at least three times higher than the general population.

**2.12(2)** Vietnam veterans experience a higher HCV infection rate than other veteran groups.

**2.12(3)** Exposure to blood during combat and combat-related medical services poses a risk for HCV infection.

**2.12(4)** Many veterans currently infected with HCV may have been exposed prior to the development of screening tests.

**2.12(5)** Symptoms and liver complications associated with chronic hepatitis infection may not appear for decades after initial infection.

**641—2.13(135) Resources for hepatitis follow-up and treatment.** The department shall provide hepatitis resource information to veterans regarding medical follow-up and treatment options.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.19 and 135.20.

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CHAPTER 3  
EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION

**641—3.1(80GA,ch102) Definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions will apply:

“*Area education agency*” or “*AEA*” means an intermediate educational unit created by Iowa Code chapter 273.

“*Audiologist*” means a person licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147 or certified by the Iowa board of educational examiners pursuant to 282—15.3(272) or a person appropriately licensed in the state where the person practices.

“*Birth center*” means “*birth center*” as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61.

“*Birthing hospital*” means a private or public hospital licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 135B that has a licensed obstetric unit or is licensed to provide obstetric services.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Diagnostic audiologic assessment*” means physiologic or behavioral procedures completed by an audiologist to evaluate and diagnose hearing loss.

“*Discharge*” means a release from a hospital to the parent or legal guardian of the child.

“*Early ACCESS*” means Iowa’s Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C, program for infants and toddlers. It is a statewide, comprehensive, interagency system of integrated early intervention services that supports eligible children and their families as defined in 281—Chapter 120.

“*Guardian*” means a person who is not the parent of a minor child, but who has legal authority to make decisions regarding life or program issues for the child. A guardian may be a court or a juvenile court. “Guardian” does not mean conservator, as defined in Iowa Code section 633.3, although a person who is appointed to be a guardian may also be appointed to be a conservator.

“*Hearing loss*” means a permanent unilateral or bilateral hearing loss of greater than 30 dB HL in the frequency region important for speech recognition (500-4000 Hz).

“*Hearing screening*” means a physiological measurement of hearing of a newborn or infant with a “pass” or “refer” result. Screening is used to determine the newborn’s or infant’s need for further testing and must be performed bilaterally, when applicable.

“*Initial screening*” means a newborn hearing screening performed during the birth admission for an infant born in a birthing hospital, or the first newborn hearing screening performed on a newborn born in a facility other than a hospital.

“*Newborn hearing screening*” means a physiological test to separate those newborns with normal hearing from those newborns who may have hearing thresholds of greater than 30 dB HL in either ear in the frequency region important for speech recognition (500-4000 Hz).

“*Normal hearing*” means hearing thresholds in both ears of 30 dB HL or less in the frequency region important for speech recognition (500-4000 Hz).

“*Parent*” means:

1. A biological or adoptive parent of a child;
2. A guardian, but not the state if the child is a ward of the state;
3. A person acting in the place of a parent, such as a grandparent or stepparent with whom a child lives, or a person who is legally responsible for the child’s welfare;
4. A surrogate parent who has been assigned in accordance with 281—120.68(34CFR303); or
5. A foster parent, if:
  - A biological parent’s authority to make the decisions required of parents under state law has been terminated; and
  - The foster parent has an ongoing, long-term parental relationship with the child; is willing to make the decisions required of a parent; and has no interest that would conflict with the interests of the child.

“*Physician*” means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

“Rescreen” means a newborn hearing screening performed after two weeks of age on an infant who did not pass the initial screening.

**641—3.2(80GA,ch102) Purpose.** The overall purpose of this chapter is to establish administrative rules in accordance with 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 102, relative to the following:

1. Universal hearing screening of all newborns and infants in Iowa.
2. Facilitating the transfer of data to the department to enhance the capacity of agencies and practitioners to provide services to children and their families.

**641—3.3(80GA,ch102) Goal and outcomes.** The goal of universal hearing screening of all newborns and infants in Iowa is early detection of hearing loss to allow children and their families the earliest possible opportunity to obtain appropriate early intervention services.

**641—3.4(80GA,ch102) Screening the hearing of all newborns.** Beginning January 1, 2004, all newborns and infants born in Iowa, except those born with a condition that is incompatible with life, shall be screened for hearing loss. The person required to perform the screening shall use at least one of the following procedures:

1. Automated or screening auditory brainstem response, or
2. Evoked otoacoustic emissions.

**641—3.5(80GA,ch102) Procedures required of birthing hospitals.** Beginning January 1, 2004, each birthing hospital in Iowa shall follow these procedures:

**3.5(1)** Each birthing hospital shall designate an employee of the hospital to be responsible for the newborn hearing screening program in that institution.

**3.5(2)** Prior to the discharge of the newborn, each birthing hospital shall provide hearing screening to every newborn delivered in the hospital, except in the following circumstances:

- a. The newborn is transferred for acute care prior to completion of the hearing screening.
- b. The newborn is born with a condition that is incompatible with life.

**3.5(3)** If a newborn is transferred for acute care, the birthing hospital shall notify the receiving facility of the status of the hearing screening. The receiving facility shall then be responsible for completion of the newborn hearing screening prior to discharge of the newborn from the nursery.

**3.5(4)** Newborn hearing screening shall be performed by an audiologist, audiology assistant, audiometrist, registered nurse, licensed physician, or other person for whom newborn hearing screening is within the person’s scope of practice.

**3.5(5)** The hospital shall report newborn hearing screening results to the parent or guardian in written form.

**3.5(6)** The hospital shall report newborn hearing screening results to the department in a manner prescribed in 3.8(80GA,ch102).

**641—3.6(80GA,ch102) Procedures required of birth centers.** Beginning January 1, 2004, each birth center in Iowa shall follow these procedures:

**3.6(1)** Each birth center shall designate an employee of the birth center to be responsible for the newborn hearing screening program in that institution.

**3.6(2)** Prior to the discharge of the newborn, each birth center shall refer every newborn delivered in the birth center to an audiologist, physician, or hospital for a newborn hearing screening. Before discharge of the newborn, the birth center shall arrange an appointment for the newborn hearing screening and report to the parent the appointment time, date, and location.

**3.6(3)** The facility to which the newborn is referred for screening shall complete the screening within 30 days of the newborn’s discharge from the birth center, unless the parent fails to attend the appointment. If the parent fails to attend the appointment, the facility shall document such failure in the medical or educational record and shall report such failure to the department.

**3.6(4)** The person who completes the newborn hearing screening shall report screening results to the parent in written form.



**3.6(5)** The person who completes the newborn hearing screening shall report screening results to the department in the manner prescribed in 3.8(80GA,ch102).

**641—3.7(80GA,ch102) Procedures to ensure that children born in locations other than a birth center or birthing hospital receive a hearing screening.**

**3.7(1)** Beginning January 1, 2004, a physician or other health care professional who undertakes primary pediatric care of a newborn delivered in a location other than a birthing hospital or birth center shall refer the newborn to an audiologist, physician, or hospital for completion of the newborn hearing screening within three months of the newborn's birth. The health care professional who undertakes primary pediatric care of the newborn shall arrange an appointment for the newborn hearing screening and report to the parent the appointment time, date, and location.

**3.7(2)** The person who completes the newborn hearing screening shall report screening results to the parent in written form.

**3.7(3)** The person who completes the newborn hearing screening shall report screening results to the department in the manner prescribed in 3.8(80GA,ch102). If the parent fails to attend the appointment, the facility shall document such failure in the medical or educational record and shall report such failure to the department.

**641—3.8(80GA,ch102) Reporting hearing screening results and information to the department.** Beginning January 1, 2004, any birthing hospital, birth center, physician, or other health care professional required to report information pursuant to 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 102, shall report all of the following information to the department relating to each newborn's hearing screening within six days of the birth of the newborn, utilizing the department's designated reporting system.

**3.8(1)** The name and date of birth of the newborn.

**3.8(2)** The name, address, and telephone number, if available, of the mother of the newborn. If the mother is not the person designated as legally responsible for the child's care, the name, address, and telephone number of the parent, as defined in 3.1(80GA,ch102), shall be reported.

**3.8(3)** The name of the primary care provider for the newborn at the birthing hospital or birth center.

**3.8(4)** The results of the newborn hearing screening, either "pass," "refer," or "not screened," for each ear separately.

**3.8(5)** The results of any rescreening, either "pass" or "refer," and the diagnostic audiologic assessment procedures used for each ear separately.

**641—3.9(80GA,ch102) Conducting and reporting diagnostic audiologic assessments to the department.** Beginning January 1, 2004, any facility, including AEAs, conducting diagnostic audiologic assessments shall report the results of the assessments for any child under three years of age to the department. The facility shall conduct the assessment in accordance with the Pediatric Audiologic Diagnostic Protocol contained at Appendix A. Results shall be reported as follows:

**3.9(1)** Results shall be reported for each ear separately.

**3.9(2)** If an assessment results in a diagnosis of normal hearing for both ears, this shall be reported.

**3.9(3)** Any diagnosis of hearing loss shall also be reported except for transient conductive hearing loss lasting for less than 90 days in the professional judgment of the practitioner.

**3.9(4)** Reported results shall include a statement of the severity (mild, moderate, moderately severe, severe, profound, or undetermined) and type (sensorineural, conductive, mixed, or undetermined) of hearing loss.

**641—3.10(80GA,ch102) Sharing of information and confidentiality.** Reports, records, and other information collected by or provided to the department relating to a child's newborn hearing screening, rescreen, and diagnostic audiologic assessment are confidential records pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7.

**3.10(1)** Personnel of the department shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of newborn hearing screenings, rescreens, and diagnostic audiologic

assessments, including information which is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law.

**3.10(2)** No individual or organization providing information to the department in accordance with this rule shall be deemed to be or held liable for divulging confidential information.

**3.10(3)** The department shall not release confidential information except to the following persons and entities under the following conditions:

- a. The parent or guardian of an infant or child for whom the report is made.
- b. A local birth-to-three coordinator with the Early ACCESS program or an agency under contract with the department to administer the children with special health care needs program.
- c. A local health care provider.
- d. A representative of a federal or state agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency.
- e. A representative of a state agency, or an entity bound by that state, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform newborn hearing screening follow-up. The state agency or the entity bound by that state shall be subject to confidentiality regulations that are the same as or more stringent than those in the state of Iowa. The state agency or the entity bound by that state shall not use the information obtained from the department to market services to patients or nonpatients or identify patients for any purposes other than those expressly provided in this rule.

**3.10(4)** Research purposes. All proposals for research using the department's data to be conducted by persons other than program staff shall first be submitted to and accepted by the researchers' institutional review board. Proposals shall then be reviewed and approved by the department before research can commence.

**641—3.11(80GA,ch102) Reporting requirements for AEAs.** Beginning January 1, 2004, any AEA providing newborn hearing screening, rescreen, or diagnostic audiologic assessment to an infant shall report all of the following information relating to each infant's screening, rescreen or assessment to the department utilizing the department's designated reporting system.

**3.11(1)** The name and date of birth of the infant.

**3.11(2)** The name, address, and telephone number, if available, of the mother of the infant. If the mother is not the person designated as legally responsible for the child's care, the name, address, and telephone number of the parent, as defined in 3.1(80GA,ch102), shall be reported.

**3.11(3)** The name of the primary care provider for the infant.

**3.11(4)** The results of any newborn hearing screening performed at the AEA, either "pass" or "refer," for each ear separately.

**3.11(5)** The results of any rescreening performed at the AEA, either "pass" or "refer," for each ear separately.

**3.11(6)** The results of any diagnostic assessment performed at the AEA, for each ear separately.

**641—3.12(80GA,ch102) Procedure to accommodate parental objection.** These rules shall not apply if the parent objects to the hearing screening.

**3.12(1)** If a parent objects to the screening, the birthing hospital, birth center, physician, or other health care professional shall obtain a written refusal from the parent or guardian on the department newborn hearing screening refusal form and shall maintain the original copy of the written refusal in the newborn's or infant's medical record.

**3.12(2)** The birthing hospital, birth center, physician, or other health care professional shall send a copy of the written newborn hearing screening refusal form to the department within six days of the birth of the newborn.

**641—3.13(80GA,ch102) Civil/criminal liability.** A person who acts in good faith in complying with these rules shall not be held civilly or criminally liable for reporting the information required.

These rules are intended to implement 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 102.

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## **Appendix A**

### **Pediatric Audiologic Diagnostic Protocol**

The following protocol should be used to facilitate the diagnosis of hearing loss by three months of age and entry into early intervention for infants with hearing loss by six months of age. This diagnostic protocol should be implemented by an audiologist licensed by the Iowa board of speech pathology and audiology examiners or certified by the Iowa board of educational examiners.

Infants should be referred for a diagnostic evaluation after receiving a “refer” result from one or both ears on a newborn hearing screening and a hearing rescreen performed at two to six weeks of age. Timely referral for diagnostic auditory brainstem response (ABR) testing may negate the need for sedation for this test in very young infants. Infants who are identified at risk for late-onset hearing loss (JCIH, 2000) should receive audiologic monitoring and follow-up by age-appropriate test procedures at six-month intervals until the age of five years.

#### **Audiologic diagnostic centers should be prepared to provide the following services:**

##### **I. Measures of auditory sensitivity**

###### **A. Auditory brainstem response (ABR)**

Infants who do not pass the newborn hearing screening or rescreen should be evaluated with a click-evoked air-conduction ABR and at least one low-frequency tone burst ABR, preferably at 500 Hz. Response waveforms should be measured at several levels to allow threshold determination and latency-intensity functions. When thresholds are determined to be elevated, the audiologist may measure the ABR with frequency-specific stimuli at other frequencies as well. Infants suspected of having significant conductive hearing loss should be considered for bone-conduction ABR testing. Clinicians should be aware that technological advances will continually improve recommended protocols.

###### **B. Evoked otoacoustic emissions**

Transient evoked otoacoustic emissions (TEOAE) or distortion product otoacoustic emissions (DPOAE) should be used to confirm the magnitude and configuration of the hearing loss as determined by the ABR.

###### **C. Behavioral measures**

At a developmental age of six months or older, it is possible to obtain reliable behavioral audiometric information using visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA). While this test has traditionally been performed in the sound field, ear-specific threshold information can be obtained using insert earphones. VRA is an important technique for use in monitoring auditory thresholds, especially during the first few years of hearing aid use.

##### **II. Measures of middle ear function**

###### **A. Tympanometry**

Although pass/fail criteria for tympanograms from infants younger than six months of age are currently being developed, an infant audiologic evaluation should include an admittance tympanogram at 1000 Hz to help determine middle ear function.

###### **B. Acoustic reflexes**

Ipsilateral or contralateral acoustic reflexes should be measured at a minimum of two activator frequencies (1000 and 2000 Hz) at a probe tone of 800 or 1000 Hz.

CHAPTER 4  
CENTER FOR CONGENITAL AND INHERITED DISORDERS  
[Prior to 7/29/87, Health Department[470]]

**641—4.1(136A) Program explanation.** The center for congenital and inherited disorders within the department of public health provides administrative oversight to the following: Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program, expanded maternal serum alpha-fetoprotein screening program, regional genetic consultation service, neuromuscular and related genetic disease program and Iowa registry for congenital and inherited disorders. The center for congenital and inherited disorders advisory committee represents the interests of the people of Iowa and assists in the development of programs that ensure the availability of and access to quality genetic health care services by all residents. The committee advises the director of the department of public health regarding issues related to genetics and hereditary and congenital disorders and makes recommendations about the design and implementation of the center's programs. Committee membership is made up of representatives of professional groups, agencies, legislators, consumers and individuals with an interest in promoting genetic services for the residents of Iowa. The center for congenital and inherited disorders has an association with the state Title V maternal child health program to promote comprehensive services for women, infants and children.

**641—4.2(136A) Definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

*"Anonymized specimen"* means a specimen that cannot be traced back to or linked with the particular infant from whom the specimen was obtained. Specimens shall be anonymized by removing the dried blood spot portion from the infant information portion of the specimen collection form.

*"Attending health care provider"* means the licensed physician, nurse practitioner, certified midwife or physician assistant providing care to an infant at birth.

*"Birth center"* means "birth center" as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61.

*"Birthing hospital"* means a private or public hospital licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 135B that has a licensed obstetric unit or is licensed to provide obstetric services.

*"Center"* means the center for congenital and inherited disorders within the Iowa department of public health.

*"Central laboratory"* means the University Hygienic Laboratory, which is designated as the screening laboratory to perform testing and reporting for the Iowa neonatal metabolic screening and expanded maternal serum alpha-fetoprotein screening programs.

*"Central registry"* means the Iowa registry for congenital and inherited disorders.

*"Committee"* means the center for congenital and inherited disorders advisory committee.

*"Consulting physician"* means a physician designated by the center for congenital and inherited disorders to interpret test results and provide consultation to a licensed health care provider.

*"Department"* means the Iowa department of public health.

*"Director"* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*"Discharge"* means a release of an infant from a hospital to the infant's parent or legal guardian.

*"Early ACCESS"* means Iowa's Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C, program for infants and toddlers. Early ACCESS is a statewide, comprehensive, interagency system of integrated early intervention services that supports eligible children and their families as defined in 281—Chapter 120.

*"Follow-up program"* means the designated individuals from the divisions of endocrinology, hematology, pulmonology and medical genetics of the department of pediatrics of the University of Iowa.

*"Guardian"* means a person who is not the parent of a minor child, but who has legal authority to make decisions regarding life or program issues for the child.

*"Health care provider"* means a licensed physician, nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, or physician assistant providing care to an individual.

*"Receiving hospital"* means the hospital receiving an infant from a birthing hospital.

“*Residual neonatal metabolic screening specimen*” means a portion of the specimen left over after the completion of newborn screening services by the Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program.

“*Specialty genetics provider*” means a geneticist, genetic nurse, or genetic counselor.

“*Tandem mass spectrometry*” means the use of tandem mass spectrometer and associated software to test a newborn screening sample.

“*Transferring hospital*” means the birthing hospital that transfers the infant to a hospital.

**641—4.3(136A) Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program (INMSP).** This program provides comprehensive neonatal metabolic screening services for hereditary and congenital disorders for the state to allow children and their families the earliest possible opportunity to receive appropriate early intervention services. The program includes the following: birthing hospitals, birth centers, health care providers, central laboratory, follow-up consultants, and consulting physicians.

**4.3(1) Newborn screening policy.**

a. All newborns and infants born in the state of Iowa shall be screened for all congenital and inherited disorders specified by the center and approved by the state board of health.

b. As new disorders are recognized and new technologies and tests become available, the center shall follow protocols developed by the department in regard to the addition of disorders to or deletion of disorders from the screening panel. The state board of health shall provide final approval for the addition of new disorders to the screening panel.

c. The center may monitor individuals identified as having a genetic or metabolic disease for the purpose of conducting public health surveillance or intervention and for determining whether early detection, treatment, and counseling lead to the amelioration or avoidance of the adverse outcomes of the disease. Birthing hospitals or birth centers and health care providers shall provide patient data and records to the center upon request to facilitate the monitoring. Any identifying information provided to the center shall remain confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7(2).

**4.3(2) Neonatal metabolic screening procedure for facilities and providers.**

a. *Educating parent or guardian.* Before a specimen from an infant is obtained, a parent or guardian shall be informed of the type of specimen, how it is obtained, the nature of the disorders for which the infant is being screened, the consequences of treatment and nontreatment, and the retention, use and disposition of residual specimens.

b. *Waiver.* Should a parent or guardian refuse the screening, said refusal shall be documented in writing on the Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program waiver for newborn screening refusal form. The parent or guardian and licensed attending health care provider shall sign the waiver. The birthing hospital, birth center, or attending health care provider shall provide the central laboratory with a copy of the waiver within six days of the refusal. The original copy of the waiver shall become a part of the infant’s medical record.

c. *Collection of specimens.* A filter paper blood specimen shall be collected from the infant between 24 to 48 hours after the infant’s birth; however, a specimen collected up to five days after the infant’s birth is valid. A specimen shall not be collected from an infant less than 24 hours after birth except as follows:

(1) A blood specimen must be collected before any transfusion, even if the infant is less than 24 hours old.

(2) A blood specimen must be collected before the infant leaves the hospital, whether by discharge or by transfer to another hospital, even if the infant is less than 24 hours old.

d. *Submission of specimens.* All specimens shall be delivered via courier service or, if courier service is not available, forwarded by first-class mail or other appropriate means within 24 hours after collection to the University Hygienic Laboratory, the center’s designated central laboratory.

e. *Processing of specimens.* The central laboratory shall process specimens within 24 hours of receipt. The central laboratory shall notify the submitting health care provider, birthing hospital, birth center, or drawing laboratory of an unacceptable specimen and the need for another specimen.

f. *Reporting of presumptive positive test results.* A presumptive positive test result shall be reported within 24 hours to the consulting physician, or the physician’s designee, who shall then notify

the attending health care provider and the birthing hospital, birth center, or drawing laboratory. This initial report shall be followed by a written report to the birthing hospital, birth center, or drawing laboratory and, subsequently, to the attending health care provider.

**4.3(3) Health care provider responsibility.**

a. The licensed attending health care provider shall ensure that infants under the provider's care are screened.

b. Procedures for specimen collection for neonatal metabolic screening shall be followed in accordance with 4.3(2).

c. Beginning November 1, 2004, a physician or other health care professional who undertakes primary pediatric care of an infant delivered in Iowa shall order the neonatal metabolic screening for completion if a neonatal metabolic screening result is not in the infant's medical record. The health care professional who undertakes primary pediatric care of the infant shall arrange for the neonatal metabolic screening.

**4.3(4) Birthing hospital or birth center responsibility.** The birthing hospital or birth center shall ensure that all infants receive neonatal metabolic screening.

a. Designee. Each birthing hospital or birth center shall designate an employee to be responsible for the neonatal metabolic screening program in that institution.

b. Procedures for specimen collection for neonatal metabolic screening shall be followed in accordance with 4.3(2).

c. Transfer. The following shall apply if an infant is transferred:

(1) If an infant is transferred within the hospital for acute care, the newborn nursery shall notify the acute care unit of the status of the neonatal metabolic screening. The acute care unit shall then be responsible for the status of the neonatal metabolic screening prior to discharge of the infant.

(2) If the infant is transferred out of house within the state, the birthing hospital or birth center shall notify the receiving hospital of the status of the neonatal metabolic screening. The receiving hospital shall then be responsible for completion of the neonatal metabolic screening prior to discharge of the infant.

d. Discharge. Each birthing hospital or birth center shall collect a neonatal metabolic screening specimen on every infant prior to discharge, including under the following circumstances:

(1) The infant is discharged or transferred to another hospital before the infant is 24 hours old.

(2) The infant is born with a condition that is incompatible with life.

(3) The infant has received a transfusion.

e. Notification. The birthing hospital or birth center shall report the neonatal metabolic screening results in written form to the licensed attending health care provider.

**4.3(5) Central laboratory responsibility.** The central laboratory shall:

a. Contract with a courier service to provide transportation and delivery of neonatal metabolic screening specimens.

b. Contact all birthing hospitals and birth centers to inform them of the courier schedule.

c. Process specimens within 24 hours of receipt.

d. Notify the submitting health care provider, birthing hospital, birth center, or drawing laboratory of an unacceptable specimen and the need for another specimen.

e. Report a presumptive positive test result within 24 hours to the consulting physician or the physician's designee.

f. Distribute specimen collection forms, specimen collection procedures, screening waivers, and other materials to drawing laboratories, birthing hospitals, birth centers, and health care providers.

g. Report normal and abnormal screening results to birthing hospitals, birth centers, or drawing laboratories.

h. Submit a written annual report of the previous fiscal year to the center by September 30 of each year. This report shall include:

(1) Number of infants screened,

(2) Number of repeat screens,

(3) Number of presumptive positive results by disorder,

- (4) Number of rejected specimens,
- (5) Number of waivers,
- (6) Results of quality assurance testing including any updates to the INMSP quality assurance policies, and
- (7) Screening and educational activity details.
  - i.* In collaboration with the program consulting physicians, submit a proposed budget and narrative justification for the upcoming state fiscal year by January 31 of each year.
  - j.* Act as fiscal agent for program expenditures encompassing the analytical, technical, administrative, educational, and follow-up costs for the screening program.
  - k.* Submit a fiscal expenditures report to the center within 90 days after the end of the state fiscal year.

**4.3(6) *Follow-up program responsibility.*** Under the direction of consulting physicians, metabolic, endocrine, pulmonary and hemoglobinopathy follow-up programs shall be available for all individuals identified by the metabolic screening as affected.

*a.* The follow-up activities shall include consultation, treatment when indicated, case management, education and quality assurance.

*b.* The follow-up programs shall submit a written annual report of the previous fiscal year by September 30 of each year. The report shall include:

- (1) The number of presumptive positive results and confirmed positive results by disorder,
- (2) Each individual's age at confirmation of disorder,
- (3) Each individual's age when treatment began,
- (4) Type of treatment for each disorder, and
- (5) A written summary of educational and follow-up activities.

*c.* In collaboration with the central laboratory, the follow-up programs shall submit a proposed budget and narrative justification for the upcoming fiscal year to the center by January 31 of each year.

*d.* The follow-up programs shall submit a fiscal expenditures report to the center within 90 days of the end of the state fiscal year.

*e.* The consulting physician will oversee the respective follow-up programs.

**4.3(7) *Sharing of information and confidentiality.*** Reports, records, and other information collected by or provided to the Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program relating to an infant's neonatal metabolic screening results and follow-up information are confidential records pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7.

*a.* Personnel of the program shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of neonatal metabolic screening and follow-up, including information that is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law.

*b.* The program shall not release confidential information except to the following persons and entities, under the following conditions:

- (1) The parent or guardian of an infant or child for whom the report is made.
- (2) A local health care provider, birthing hospital, birth center, or submitting laboratory.
- (3) A representative of a state or federal agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency or the department. The state or federal agency will be subject to confidentiality regulations which are the same as or more stringent than those in the state of Iowa.

(4) A researcher, upon documentation of parental consent obtained by the researcher, and only to the extent that the information is necessary to perform research authorized by the department and the state board of health.

**4.3(8) *Retention, use and disposition of residual neonatal metabolic screening specimens.***

*a.* A neonatal metabolic screening specimen collection form consists of dried blood spots on filter paper and attached information about the infant and birthing hospital, birth center, or drawing laboratory.

- (1) Specimen collection forms shall be held for five years in a locked area at the central laboratory.
- (2) The specimen collection forms shall be retained for the first year at -70 degrees C.



(3) After one year, the specimen collection forms shall be archived for four additional years at room temperature.

(4) The specimen collection forms shall be incinerated after five years of retention.

*b. Research use.*

(1) Investigators shall submit to the center proposals to use specimens. Any intent to utilize information associated with the residual neonatal metabolic screening specimen for the research study must be clearly delineated in the proposal.

(2) Before research can commence, proposals shall be approved by the researcher's institutional review board, the congenital and inherited disorders advisory committee, and the department.

(3) Personally identifiable residual specimens or records shall not be disclosed without documentation of informed parental consent obtained by the researcher.

(4) Research on anonymized or identifiable residual specimens shall be allowed in instances where research would further: neonatal metabolic screening activities; the health of an infant or child for whom no other specimens are available or readily attainable; or general medical knowledge for existing public health surveillance activities.

**4.3(9) Neonatal metabolic screening fee.**

*a.* The department shall annually review and determine the fee to be charged for all activities associated with the INMSP. The review and fee determination shall be completed at least one month prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The neonatal metabolic screening fee is \$97.

*b.* The department shall include as part of this fee an amount determined by the committee and department to fund the provision of special medical formula for eligible individuals with inherited diseases of amino acids and organic acids who are identified through the program.

*c.* Provisions of special medical formula through this funding allocation shall be available to an individual only after the individual has shown that all benefits from third-party payers including, but not limited to, health insurers, health maintenance organizations, Medicare, Medicaid, WIC and other government assistance programs have been exhausted. In addition, a full fee and a sliding fee scale shall be established and used for those persons able to pay all or a part of the cost. Income and resources shall be considered in the application of the sliding fee scale. Individuals whose income is at or above 185 percent of the federal poverty level shall be charged a fee for the provision of special medical formula. The placement on the sliding fee scale shall be determined and reviewed at least annually.

**4.3(10) Special medical formula program.**

*a.* A special medical formula program for individuals with inherited diseases of amino acids and organic acids who are identified through the Iowa neonatal metabolic screening program is provided by the University of Iowa.

*b.* Payments received from clients based on third-party payment, sliding fee scales and donations shall be used to support the administration of and the purchase of special medical formula.

*c.* The funding allocation from the INMSP fee will be used as the funder of last resort after all other available funding options have been pursued by the special medical formula program.

*d.* The central laboratory shall act as the fiscal agent.

*e.* The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics under the control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect costs from state funds appropriated for this program.

**641—4.4(136A) Expanded maternal serum alpha-fetoprotein screening program.** This program provides comprehensive second trimester maternal screening services for the state.

**4.4(1) Maternal screening policy.** It shall be the policy of the state of Iowa that all pregnant women are offered the Iowa expanded maternal serum alpha-fetoprotein (MSAFP)/Quad Screen. The Iowa expanded MSAFP/Quad Screen measures the maternal serum levels of alpha-fetoprotein, unconjugated estriol, human chorionic gonadotropin, and inhibin-A to provide a risk assessment for open neural tube defects, ventral wall defects, Down syndrome, Trisomy 18, and Smith-Lemli-Opitz. If a patient desires this screening test, the specimen shall be drawn and submitted by her health care provider to the University Hygienic Laboratory, the center's designated central laboratory.

**4.4(2) Maternal screening procedure.**

*a. Collection of specimens.* A serum or clotted blood specimen shall be collected from the patient during 15 to 20 weeks of gestation.

*b. Processing of specimens.* The central laboratory shall test specimens within three working days of receipt.

*c. Reporting of abnormal results.* Abnormal test results shall be reported within 24 hours to the consulting physician or the physician's designee who shall then notify the submitting health care provider. On the next working day, this initial report shall be followed by a written report to the submitting health care provider.

**4.4(3) Consulting physician responsibility.** A consulting physician shall be designated by the center in collaboration with the central laboratory to provide interpretation of test results and consultation to the submitting health care provider. This physician shall provide consultation for abnormal test results, assist with questions about management of identified cases, provide education and assist with quality assurance measures. The screening program with assistance from the consulting physician shall:

*a.* In collaboration with the central laboratory, submit a proposed budget and narrative justification for the upcoming fiscal year to the center by January 31 of each year, and

*b.* Submit a written annual report of the previous fiscal year to the center by September 30 of each year. The report shall include:

- (1) Number of women screened,
- (2) Number of repeat screens,
- (3) Number of abnormal results by disorder,
- (4) Number of rejected specimens,
- (5) Results of quality assurance testing, and
- (6) Screening and educational activity details.

**4.4(4) Central laboratory responsibility.** The central laboratory shall:

*a.* Test specimens within three working days of receipt.

*b.* Distribute specimen collection kits and other materials to health care provider offices and drawing facilities as required.

*c.* Inform the submitting health care provider or drawing facility of an unacceptable specimen and request another specimen.

*d.* Provide educational materials concerning specimen collection procedures.

*e.* Have available for review a written quality assurance program covering all aspects of its screening activity.

*f.* Act as a fiscal agent for program charges encompassing the analytical, technical, administrative, educational and follow-up costs for the screening program.

**4.4(5) Iowa expanded MSAFP/Quad Screen fee determination.** The department shall annually review and determine the fee to be charged for all activities associated with the MSAFP/Quad Screen. The review and determination of the fee shall be completed at least one month prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.

**4.4(6) Sharing of information and confidentiality.** Reports, records, and other information collected by or provided to the Iowa expanded MSAFP/Quad screening program relating to a patient's maternal serum screening results and follow-up information are confidential records pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7.

*a.* Personnel of the program shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of maternal serum screening and follow-up, including information that is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law.

*b.* The program shall not release confidential information except to the following persons and entities, under the following conditions:

- (1) The patient for whom the report is made.
- (2) A local health care provider, or submitting laboratory.
- (3) A representative of a state or federal agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency or the department. The state or federal agency will

be subject to confidentiality regulations which are the same as or more stringent than those in the state of Iowa.

(4) A researcher, upon documentation of parental consent obtained by the researcher, and only to the extent that the information is necessary to perform research authorized by the department and the state board of health.

**4.4(7) Retention, use and disposition of residual maternal serum screening specimens.**

a. A maternal serum screening specimen collection consists of laboratory tubes with maternal serum screening specimens and attached information about the patient, health care provider, or drawing laboratory.

(1) Maternal serum screening specimens shall be held for a specified period of time in a locked area at the central laboratory in accordance with central laboratory policy and procedures.

(2) Reserved.

b. Research use.

(1) Investigators shall submit to the center proposals to use maternal serum screening specimens. Any intent to utilize information associated with the residual maternal serum screening specimen for the research study must be clearly delineated in the proposal.

(2) Before research can commence, proposals shall be approved by the researcher's institutional review board, the congenital and inherited disorders advisory committee, and the department.

(3) Personally identifiable residual specimens or records shall not be disclosed without documentation of informed patient consent obtained by the researcher.

(4) Research on anonymized or identifiable residual specimens shall be allowed in instances where research would further maternal serum screening activities or general medical knowledge for existing public health surveillance activities.

**641—4.5(136A) Regional genetic consultation service (RGCS).** This program provides comprehensive genetic services statewide through outreach clinics.

**4.5(1) Provision of comprehensive genetic services.** The department shall contract with the division of medical genetics within the department of pediatrics at the University of Iowa to provide genetic health care and education outreach services for individuals and families within Iowa. The contractor shall provide annual reports to the department as specified in the contract.

**4.5(2) Clinical services.** The services provided may include, but are not limited to: diagnostic evaluations, confirmatory testing, consultation by board-certified geneticists, genetic counseling, medical case management, and referral to appropriate agencies.

**4.5(3) Patient fees.**

a. A sliding fee scale for specialty genetics provider services shall be established for patients attending the outreach clinics. The parameters for the sliding fee scale shall be based on federally established percent of poverty guidelines and updated annually.

b. Families/clients seen in the regional genetic consultation service clinics shall have bills submitted to third-party payers where applicable. Families/clients shall be billed on a sliding fee scale after third-party payment is received. Payments received from receipts of service based on the sliding fee scale or from the third-party payers shall be used only to support the RGCS.

c. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics under the control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect costs from state funds appropriated for this program.

**641—4.6(136A) Neuromuscular and other related genetic disease program (NMP).** This program provides comprehensive services statewide for individuals and families with neuromuscular disorders through outreach clinics and statewide, active surveillance for selected neuromuscular disorders.

**4.6(1) Provision of comprehensive services.** The department shall contract with the department of pediatrics at the University of Iowa to provide neuromuscular health care, case management and education outreach services for individuals and families within Iowa. The contractor shall provide annual reports to the department as specified in the contract.

**4.6(2) Clinical services.** The services provided may include, but are not limited to: diagnostic evaluations, confirmatory testing, physical therapy, consultation by board-certified neurologists, genetic counseling, medical case management, supportive services and referral to appropriate agencies.

**4.6(3) Patient fees.**

*a.* A sliding fee scale for specialty genetic provider services shall be established for patients attending the outreach clinics. The parameters for the sliding fee scale shall be based on federally established percent of poverty guidelines and updated annually.

*b.* Families/clients seen in neuromuscular outreach clinics shall have bills submitted to third-party payers where applicable. Families/clients shall be billed on a sliding fee scale after third-party payment is received. Payments received from receipts of service based on the sliding fee scale or from the third-party payers shall be used only to support the neuromuscular outreach clinics.

*c.* The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics under the control of the state board of regents shall not receive indirect costs from state funds appropriated for this program.

**4.6(4) Surveillance for selected neuromuscular disorders.** Rescinded IAB 8/4/04, effective 9/8/04.

**4.6(5) Definition.** Rescinded IAB 8/4/04, effective 9/8/04.

**4.6(6) Central registry activities.** Rescinded IAB 8/4/04, effective 9/8/04.

**641—4.7(136A) Iowa registry for congenital and inherited disorders.** The central registry provides active statewide surveillance for selected congenital and inherited disorders. Selected congenital and inherited disorders include birth defects and neuromuscular disorders.

**4.7(1) Definitions.**

*a.* Birth defects shall be defined as any structural or genetic abnormality that may adversely affect a child's health and development. The abnormality must be diagnosed or its signs and symptoms must be recognized within the first year of life.

*b.* Neuromuscular disorders include diagnoses involving the muscle, nerve, or neuromuscular junction.

**4.7(2) Surveillance policy for birth defects and neuromuscular disorders.**

*a.* Birth defects occurring in Iowa are reportable conditions, and records of these birth defects shall be abstracted pursuant to 641—1.3(139A) and maintained in a central registry.

*b.* Birth defects surveillance shall be performed in order to determine the occurrence and trends of birth defects, to conduct thorough and complete epidemiological surveys, to assist in the planning for and provision of services to children with birth defects and their families, and to identify environmental and genetic risk factors for birth defects.

*c.* Records for selected neuromuscular disorders shall be abstracted pursuant to 641—1.3(139A) and maintained in a central registry. Selected neuromuscular disorders include Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophies. Selected neuromuscular disorders surveillance shall be performed in order to determine the occurrence and trends of the selected neuromuscular disorders, to conduct thorough and complete epidemiological surveys through annual long-term follow-up, and to assist in the planning for and provision of services to children with selected neuromuscular disorders and their families for the period of time that adequate financial support is available for this project.

**4.7(3) Central registry activities.**

*a.* The center shall establish an agreement with the University of Iowa to implement the activities of the central registry.

*b.* The central registry shall use the birth defects and neuromuscular coding schemes defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*c.* The central registry staff shall review hospital records, clinical charts, physician's records, vital records and prenatal records pursuant to 641—1.3(139A) and any other information that the central registry deems necessary and appropriate for birth defects surveillance.

*d.* A reportable birth defect or neuromuscular disorder occurring in a fetal death or pregnancy termination may be included in the central registry.

**4.7(4) Department responsibility.**

a. When a live infant's medical records are ascertained by the central registry, the department or its designee shall inform the parent or legal guardian by letter that this information has been collected and provide the parent or guardian with information about services for which the child and family may be eligible.

b. The center and the central registry shall annually release aggregate medical and epidemiological information to medical personnel and appropriate state and local agencies for the planning and monitoring of services for children with birth defects.

**4.7(5) Confidentiality and disclosure of information.** Reports, records, and other information collected by or provided to the central registry relating to a person known to have or suspected of having a birth defect or neuromuscular disorder are confidential records pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7.

Personnel of the central registry and the department shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of birth defects or neuromuscular disorders, including information which is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law.

Central registry personnel are authorized pursuant to 641—1.3(139A) to gather all information relevant to the review and analysis of birth defects or neuromuscular disorders. This information may include, but is not limited to, hospital records, physician's records, clinical charts, birth records, death records, fetal death records, prenatal records, vital records, and other reports relevant and necessary for birth defects and neuromuscular disorders surveillance.

No individual or organization providing information to the central registry in accordance with this rule shall be deemed or held liable for divulging confidential information.

**4.7(6) Access to information in the central registry.** The central registry and the department shall not release confidential information except to the following, under the following conditions:

a. The parent or guardian of an infant or child for whom the report is made and who can demonstrate that the parent or guardian has received the notification letter.

b. An Early ACCESS service coordinator or an agency under contract with the department to administer the children with special health care needs program, upon receipt of written consent from the parent or guardian of the infant or child.

c. A local health care provider, upon receipt of written consent from the parent or guardian of the infant or child.

d. A representative of a federal agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency or the department. The information provided shall not include the personal identifiers of an infant or child with a reportable birth defect or neuromuscular disorder.

e. Researchers, in accordance with the following:

(1) All proposals for research using the central registry data to be conducted by persons other than program staff shall first be submitted to and accepted by the researcher's institutional review board. Proposals shall then be reviewed and approved by the department and the central registry's internal advisory committee before research can commence.

(2) The central registry shall submit to the central registry's internal advisory committee for approval a protocol describing any research conducted by the central registry in which the central registry deems it necessary to contact case subjects and controls.

f. A representative of a state agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency or the department. The state agency will be subject to confidentiality regulations that are the same as or more stringent than those in the state of Iowa.

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CHAPTER 5  
MATERNAL DEATHS

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**641—5.1(135) Reporting of maternal deaths.** A maternal death is any death occurring while a woman is pregnant or of a woman within one year after delivery. This includes but is not limited to deaths resulting from abortions, ectopic pregnancies and all deaths during pregnancy, childbirth, puerperium or deaths from complications of childbirth. In the event of a maternal death, the certifying physician shall indicate that circumstance on the certificate of death.

**641—5.2(135) Ascertainment of maternal deaths.** The department of public health annually shall systematically ascertain maternal deaths using birth and death vital records.

**641—5.3(135) Reviewing of maternal deaths.** Hospitals, physicians, and other licensed health care professionals shall provide to the department of public health clinical records pertinent to the review of individual maternal deaths. The release of these materials is a confidential and privileged communication, and no liability shall be attached to the release. Neither the released information nor reports generated from that information shall be allowed in any legal proceedings, pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.42. The department of public health shall ensure a timely, confidential review of all maternal deaths by experts in obstetric medicine and maternal mortality for the purpose of reducing morbidity and mortality. At least every three years, the department shall issue occasional reports on the causes and contributing factors of maternal deaths and recommendations of possible preventive strategies based on those reviews.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.40.

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CHAPTER 6  
VENEREAL DISEASE PROPHYLACTICS  
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**641—6.1(135) Definitions.**

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health;

“*Person*” means an individual, corporation, partnership, firm or association;

“*Sell*” means a sale by a manufacturer, wholesale dealer, distributor or jobber to a person who sells, or intends to sell, direct to the user; and also a sale to the ultimate user in person or by a vending machine;

“*Venereal disease prophylactic*” for the purpose of these rules means a condom, a prophylactic consisting of a sheath designed to be placed over the penis to prevent conception or venereal disease during coitus.

**641—6.2(135) Application for permit.** Any person seeking a permit to sell venereal disease control prophylactics shall file with the division of disease prevention of the department a completed application on a form furnished by the department. A permit shall be valid for a period of two years from the date of issuance. These rules shall not apply to a physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A or a pharmacist licensed under chapter 147.

**641—6.3(135) Permit number and decal to be displayed.** The holder of any permit for the sale of venereal disease prophylactics shall have a copy of the numbered permit available where the prophylactics are sold. Any vending machine used for dispensing venereal disease prophylactics shall have permanently attached to the machine a tag or decal listing the name and address of the permit holder and the current permit number designated by the department. The permit holder shall have attached to each vending machine a decal supplied by the department containing venereal disease control information.

**641—6.4(135) Compliance.** All state statutes, rules and local ordinances shall be complied with by the permit holder.

**641—6.5(135) Standards.** No condoms shall be sold in this state unless the following conditions are met:

**6.5(1)** The condoms shall be in compliance with United States Food and Drug Administration standards and regulations for condoms; all condoms shall be manufactured in the United States;

**6.5(2)** All condoms shall be individually sealed in plastic, foil or a comparable type seal to protect the product from deterioration from exposure to air;

**6.5(3)** Individual condoms or individual condom containers shall bear the date of manufacture in uncoded form and the name of the manufacturer and trademark;

**6.5(4)** No condoms shall be sold if they are three years or older from date of manufacture.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 135.

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CHAPTER 7  
IMMUNIZATION AND IMMUNIZATION EDUCATION: PERSONS ATTENDING ELEMENTARY  
OR SECONDARY SCHOOLS, LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS OR INSTITUTIONS OF  
HIGHER EDUCATION

[Prior to 7/29/87, Health Department[470]]

**641—7.1(139A) Definitions.**

*“Admitting official”* means the superintendent of schools or the superintendent’s designated representative if a public school; if a nonpublic school or licensed child care center, the governing official of the school or child care center.

*“Applicant”* means any person seeking enrollment in a licensed child care center or elementary or secondary school.

*“Certified medical assistant”* means a person certified to practice as a certified medical assistant following completion of a postsecondary medical assistant program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs or the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools and successful completion of the certification examination.

*“Competent private instruction”* means private instruction as defined by the department of education pursuant to Iowa Code section 299A.1.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Electronic signature”* means a confidential personalized digital key, code, or number that is used for secure electronic data transmission and that identifies and authenticates the signatory.

*“Elementary school”* means kindergarten if provided, and grades one through eight or grades one through six when grades seven and eight are included in a secondary school.

*“Enrolled user”* means a user of the registry who has completed an enrollment form that specifies the conditions under which the registry can be accessed and who has been issued an identification code and password by the department.

*“Immunization registry”* or *“registry”* means the database and file server maintained by the department as well as the software application that allows enrolled users to exchange immunization records.

*“Institution of higher education”* means a postsecondary school.

*“Licensed child care center”* means a facility or program licensed by the Iowa department of human services to provide child care for seven or more children or a prekindergarten or preschool, regardless of the source of funding, operated by a local school district, an accredited nonpublic school, an area education agency, or a college or university.

*“Nurse”* means a person licensed to practice as a nurse pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

*“Nurse practitioner”* means a person licensed to practice as a registered nurse pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152 and certified by a professional certifying body approved by the board of nursing.

*“On-campus residence hall or dormitory”* means campus housing for students that is owned or leased by the institution of higher education and located on a recognized campus site.

*“Physician”* means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Physician assistant”* means a person licensed to practice as a physician assistant pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C.

*“Postsecondary school”* means a postsecondary institution under the control of the state board of regents, a community college established under Iowa Code chapter 260C, or an accredited private institution as defined in Iowa Code section 261.9, subsection 1.

*“Postsecondary student”* means a person who has officially registered with a postsecondary school, as determined by the school, and who physically attends class on the school’s campus. For purposes of these rules, “postsecondary student” does not include a person who is exclusively registered in a correspondence course or continuing education class or who attends class exclusively by means of the Internet or the Iowa communications network or through other means which do not require the person’s physical presence on the school’s campus.

“*Provisional enrollment*” means enrollment for a period of time not to exceed the limit specified in subrule 7.7(2) to allow the applicant to meet the requirements of these rules. A provisionally enrolled applicant is entitled access to all the benefits, activities, and opportunities of the school or licensed child care center. Provisional enrollment shall not deny the school funding for the applicant.

“*Secondary school*” means (a) a junior high school comprising grades 7, 8 and 9, and a senior high school; (b) a combined junior-senior high school comprising grades 7 through 12; (c) a junior high school comprising grades 7 and 8 and a high school comprising grades 9 through 12; (d) a high school comprising grades 9 through 12.

“*Signature*” means an original signature, or authorized use of stamped signature, or electronic signature of a physician, physician assistant, or nurse.

**641—7.2(139A) Persons included.** The immunization requirements specified elsewhere in these rules apply to all persons enrolled or attempting to enroll in a licensed child care center or a public or nonpublic elementary or secondary school in Iowa including those who are provided competent private instruction.

**641—7.3(139A) Persons excluded.** Exclusions to these rules are permitted on an individual basis for medical and religious reasons. Applicants approved for medical or religious exemptions shall submit to the admitting official a valid Iowa department of public health certificate of immunization exemption.

**7.3(1)** A medical exemption may be granted to an applicant when, in the opinion of a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, the required immunizations would be injurious to the health and well-being of the applicant or any member of the applicant’s family or household. A medical exemption may apply to a specific vaccine(s) or all required immunizations. A certificate of immunization exemption for medical reasons is valid only when signed by a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. If, in the opinion of the physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant issuing the medical exemption, the exemption should be terminated or reviewed at a future date, an expiration date shall be recorded on the certificate of immunization exemption.

**7.3(2)** A religious exemption may be granted to an applicant if immunization conflicts with a genuine and sincere religious belief. A certificate of immunization exemption for religious reasons shall be signed by the applicant or, if the applicant is a minor, by the parent or guardian or legally authorized representative and shall attest that immunization conflicts with a genuine and sincere religious belief and that the belief is in fact religious, and not based merely on philosophical, scientific, moral, personal, or medical opposition to immunizations. The certificate of immunization exemption for religious reasons is valid only when notarized. Religious exemptions shall become null and void during times of emergency as determined by the state board of health and declared by the director of public health.

**641—7.4(139A) Required immunizations.**

**7.4(1)** Applicants enrolled or attempting to enroll shall have received the following vaccines in accordance with the doses and age requirements listed below:

#### IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Institution	Age	Vaccine	Total Doses Required
Licensed child care center	< 2 months	None	
	2 through 5 months	Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis <sup>1</sup> Polio <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B	1 dose 1 dose 1 dose
	6 through 14 months	Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis <sup>1</sup> Polio <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B	2 doses 2 doses 2 doses

Institution	Age	Vaccine	Total Doses Required
	15 through 18 months	Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis <sup>1</sup> Polio <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B  Measles/Rubella <sup>2</sup>	3 doses 3 doses 3 doses, with the final dose in the series received when the applicant is $\geq$ 12 months of age; or 1 dose received when the applicant is $\geq$ 15 months of age.  1 dose of measles/rubella-containing vaccine received after the applicant was at least 12 months of age; or the applicant demonstrates a positive antibody test for measles and rubella.
	19 months and older	Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis <sup>1</sup> Polio <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type B  Measles/Rubella <sup>2</sup>  Varicella	3 doses 3 doses 3 doses, with the final dose in the series received when the applicant is $\geq$ 12 months of age; or 1 dose received when the applicant is $\geq$ 15 months of age.  1 dose of measles/rubella-containing vaccine received after the applicant was at least 12 months of age; or the applicant demonstrates a positive antibody test for measles and rubella.  1 dose if the applicant was born on or after September 15, 1997, unless the applicant has had a reliable history of natural disease. This dose shall have been received after the applicant was at least 12 months of age.
Elementary school/ secondary school	4 years of age and older	Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis <sup>1,3</sup>    Polio	3 doses, with at least 1 dose of diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis-containing vaccine received after the applicant's fourth birthday if the applicant was born on or before September 15, 2000; or 4 doses, with at least 1 dose of diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis-containing vaccine received after the applicant's fourth birthday if the applicant was born after September 15, 2000. Applicants $\geq$ 7 years of age are exempt from receiving further doses of pertussis-containing vaccine; therefore, tetanus and diphtheria-containing vaccine should be used.  3 doses, with at least 1 dose on or after the applicant's fourth birthday.

Institution	Age	Vaccine	Total Doses Required
		Measles/Rubella <sup>2</sup>	2 doses of measles/rubella-containing vaccine; or the applicant demonstrates a positive antibody test for measles and rubella. The first dose shall have been received on or after the applicant's first birthday; the second dose shall have been received no less than 28 days after the first dose.
		Hepatitis B	3 doses if the applicant was born on or after July 1, 1994.
		Varicella	1 dose if the applicant was born on or after September 15, 1997, unless the applicant has had a reliable history of natural disease. This dose shall have been received after the applicant was at least 12 months of age.

<sup>1</sup> Pediatric diphtheria and tetanus vaccine may be substituted for the pertussis-containing vaccine, without a medical exemption, when pertussis vaccine is contraindicated for the child < 7 years of age.

<sup>2</sup> Mumps vaccine may be included in measles/rubella-containing vaccine.

<sup>3</sup> If a child received the first dose of tetanus/diphtheria-containing product when the child was < 12 months of age, 4 doses are required, with 1 dose on or after the child's fourth birthday. If a child received the first dose of tetanus/diphtheria-containing product when the child was  $\geq$  12 months of age, 3 doses are required, with 1 dose on or after the child's fourth birthday.

**7.4(2)** Vaccine doses administered  $\leq$  4 days before the minimum interval or age shall be counted as valid. Doses administered  $\geq$  5 days earlier than the minimum interval or age shall not be counted as valid doses and shall be repeated as age-appropriate.

**7.4(3)** For vaccine administration, the minimum age and intervals recommended by the advisory committee on immunization practices shall be followed.

**641—7.5(139A) Required education.** Each institution of higher education that has an on-campus residence hall or dormitory shall provide vaccination information on meningococcal disease to each postsecondary student enrolled in the institution of higher education. Meningococcal disease information shall be contained on student health forms. For purposes of this rule, student health form(s) means a document(s) prepared by an institution of higher education that contains, at a minimum, information on meningococcal disease, vaccination information and any recommendations issued by the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding meningococcal disease. The student health form(s) shall also include space for the postsecondary student to indicate whether or not the postsecondary student has received vaccination against meningococcal disease, including, at a minimum, the date of vaccination. The student health form(s) shall also include space for the postsecondary student to indicate whether or not the postsecondary student has received information on meningococcal disease and benefits of vaccine. If a traditional student health form is not utilized by the institution of higher education, any document(s) containing the above information is acceptable.

**641—7.6(139A) Proof of immunization.**

**7.6(1)** Applicants, or their parents or guardians, shall submit a valid Iowa department of public health certificate of immunization to the admitting official of the school or licensed child care center in which the applicant wishes to enroll. To be valid, the certificate shall be the certificate of immunization issued and provided by the department, a computer-generated copy from the immunization registry, or a certificate of immunization which has been approved in writing by the department and shall be signed by a physician,

a physician assistant, a nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed to sign by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. A faxed copy, photocopy, or electronic copy of the valid certificate is acceptable. The judgment of the adequacy of the applicant's immunization history should be based on records kept by the person signing the certificate of immunization or personal knowledge of the applicant's immunization history, or comparable immunization records from another person or agency, or an international certificate of vaccination, or the applicant's personal health records. If personal health records are used to make the judgment, the records shall provide the vaccine(s) administered and the date given. Persons validating the certificate of immunization are not held responsible for the accuracy of the information used to validate the certificate of immunization if the information is from sources other than their own records or personal knowledge.

**7.6(2)** Persons wishing to enroll who do not have a valid Iowa department of public health certificate of immunization available to submit to the admitting official shall be referred to a physician, a physician assistant, a nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner to obtain a valid certificate.

**641—7.7(139A) Provisional enrollment.**

**7.7(1)** Applicants who have begun but not completed the required immunizations may be granted provisional enrollment. To qualify for provisional enrollment, applicants shall have received at least one dose of each of the required vaccines or be a transfer student from another school system. A transfer student is an applicant seeking enrollment from one United States elementary or secondary school into another. Applicants shall submit a valid Iowa department of public health provisional certificate of immunization to the admitting official of the school or licensed child care center in which the applicant wishes to be provisionally enrolled. To be valid, the provisional certificate shall be signed by a physician, a physician assistant, a nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed to sign by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. Persons validating the provisional certificate of immunization are not held responsible for the accuracy of the information used to validate the provisional certificate of immunization if the information is from sources other than their own records or personal knowledge.

*a.* Any person wishing to be provisionally enrolled who does not have a valid Iowa department of public health provisional certificate of immunization to submit to the admitting official shall be referred to a physician, a physician assistant, a nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner to obtain a valid certificate.

*b.* Reserved.

**7.7(2)** The amount of time allowed for provisional enrollment shall be as soon as medically feasible but shall not exceed 60 calendar days. The period of provisional enrollment shall begin on the date the provisional certificate is signed. The person signing the provisional certificate shall assign an expiration date to the certificate and shall indicate the remaining immunizations required to qualify for a certificate of immunization.

**7.7(3)** The applicant or parent or guardian shall ensure that the applicant receive the necessary immunizations during the provisional enrollment period and shall submit a certificate of immunization to the admitting official by the end of the provisional enrollment period.

**7.7(4)** If the applicant has not submitted a certificate of immunization by 10 calendar days prior to the expiration of the provisional enrollment, the admitting official shall notify the applicant, or if the applicant is a minor, the minor's parents or guardian, in writing of the impending expiration of provisional enrollment and invite the applicant and parents or guardian for a conference to discuss the rules regarding provisional enrollment.

**7.7(5)** If at the end of the provisional enrollment period the applicant or parent or guardian has not submitted a certificate of immunization, the admitting official shall immediately exclude the applicant from the benefits, activities, and opportunities of the school or licensed child care center until the applicant or parent or guardian submits a valid certificate of immunization.

**7.7(6)** If at the end of the provisional enrollment period the applicant has not completed the required immunizations due to minimum interval requirements, the provisional enrollment may be extended if the

applicant or parent or guardian submits another Iowa department of public health provisional certificate of immunization.

**641—7.8(139A) Records and reporting.**

**7.8(1)** It shall be the duty of the admitting official of a licensed child care center or elementary or secondary school to ensure that the admitting official has a valid Iowa department of public health certificate of immunization, certificate of immunization exemption, or provisional certificate of immunization on file for each child enrolled. The admitting official shall ensure that the certificate be properly completed and include, at a minimum, last name, first name, date of birth, vaccine(s) administered, date(s) given, and validation by the appropriate party.

*a.* The admitting official shall keep the certificates on file in the school or licensed child care center in which the applicant is enrolled and assist the applicant or parent or guardian in the transfer of the certificate to another school upon the transfer of the applicant to another school.

*b.* Unless otherwise requested by the applicant, or parent or guardian, the admitting official shall retain the Iowa department of public health certificate of immunization, or certificate of immunization exemption, or provisional certificate of immunization for three years commencing upon the transfer or graduation of the applicant or the school may choose to provide the permanent immunization record to the student at time of graduation. Included with the immunization record a letter should state that this is an important document that will be needed by the student for college or employment and should be permanently retained.

**7.8(2)** It shall be the duty of the local boards of health to audit the Iowa department of public health certificates of immunization, certificates of immunization exemption, and provisional certificates of immunization in the schools within their jurisdiction to determine compliance with Iowa Code section 139A.8. The local boards of health shall furnish the Iowa department of public health within 60 days of the first official day of school a report of the audit. The report shall be submitted for each school within the local board of health's jurisdiction and shall include the enrollment by grade, and the number of Iowa department of public health certificates of immunization, certificates of immunization exemption, and provisional certificates of immunization by grade.

**7.8(3)** The local board of health and the Iowa department of public health shall have the right to have access to the Iowa department of public health certificates of immunization, certificates of immunization exemption, and the provisional certificates of immunization of children enrolled in elementary and secondary schools and licensed child care centers within the constraints of the privacy rights of parents and students.

**7.8(4)** The admitting official of an institution of higher education shall provide to the department of education by December 1 each year aggregate data regarding compliance with Iowa Code section 139A.26. The data shall be forwarded to the department within 30 days. The data shall include, but not be limited to, the total number of incoming postsecondary freshmen students living in a residence hall or dormitory who have:

- a.* Enrolled in the institution of higher education; and
- b.* Been provided information on meningococcal disease; and
- c.* Been immunized with meningococcal vaccine.

**641—7.9(139A) Providing immunization services.** It shall be the duty of the local boards of health to provide immunization services where no local provision exists for the services.

**641—7.10(139A) Compliance.** Applicants not presenting proper evidence of immunization, or exemption, are not entitled to enrollment in a licensed child care center or elementary or secondary school under the provisions of Iowa Code section 139A.8. It shall be the duty of the admitting official to deny enrollment to any applicant who does not submit proper evidence of immunization according to rule 7.6(139A) and to exclude a provisionally enrolled applicant in accordance with rule 7.7(139A).



**641—7.11(22) Iowa's immunization registry.**

**7.11(1)** The department shall maintain a statewide immunization registry. Enrolled users are responsible for purchasing and maintaining all computer hardware related to use of the registry and for providing an Internet connection to transfer information between the user's computer and the registry.

**7.11(2)** Purpose and permitted uses of registry. The registry shall consist of immunization information, including identifying and demographic data, to allow enrolled users to maintain and access a database of immunization histories for purposes of ensuring that patients are fully immunized. Enrolled users shall not use information obtained from the registry to market services to patients or nonpatients, to assist in bill collection services, or to locate or identify patients or nonpatients for any purpose other than those expressly provided in this rule.

**7.11(3)** Release of information to the registry. Enrolled users shall provide immunization information including identifying and demographic data to the registry. Information provided may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a.* Name of patient;
- b.* Gender of patient;
- c.* Date of birth;
- d.* Race;
- e.* Ethnicity;
- f.* Birth state and birth country;
- g.* Address;
- h.* Parents' names;
- i.* Mother's maiden name;
- j.* Type of vaccination administered;
- k.* Dose or series number of vaccine;
- l.* Date vaccination was administered;
- m.* Lot number;
- n.* Contraindications, precautions;
- o.* Provider name, license, and business address; and
- p.* Patient history, including previously unreported doses.

**7.11(4)** Confidentiality of registry information. Immunization information, including identifying and demographic data maintained on the registry, is confidential and may not be disclosed except under the following limited circumstances:

- a.* The department may release information from the registry to the following:
  - (1) The person immunized or the parent or legal guardian of the person immunized;
  - (2) Enrolled users of the registry who have completed an enrollment form that specifies the conditions under which the registry can be accessed and who have been issued an identification code and password by the department;
  - (3) Persons or entities requesting immunization data in an aggregate form that does not identify an individual either directly or indirectly.
  - (4) Agencies that complete an agreement with the department which specifies conditions for access to registry data and how that data will be used. Agencies shall not use information obtained from the registry to market services to patients or nonpatients, to assist in bill collection services, or to locate or identify patients or nonpatients for any purposes other than those expressly provided in this rule.
  - (5) A representative of a state or federal agency, or entity bound by that state or federal agency, to the extent that the information is necessary to perform a legally authorized function of that agency or the department. The state or federal agency is subject to confidentiality regulations that are the same as or more stringent than those in the state of Iowa. State or federal agencies shall not use information obtained from the registry to market services to patients or nonpatients, to assist in bill collection services, or to locate or identify patients or nonpatients for any purposes other than those expressly provided in this rule.
- b.* Enrolled users shall not release immunization data obtained from the registry except to the person immunized, the parent or legal guardian of the person immunized, health records staff of licensed

child care centers and schools, medical or health care providers providing continuity of care, and other enrolled users of the registry.

**641—7.12(22) Release of immunization information.**

**7.12(1)** *Between a physician, a physician assistant, nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner and the elementary or secondary school or licensed child care center that the child attends.* A physician, a physician assistant, a nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner shall disclose a student's immunization information, including the student's name, date of birth, and demographic information, the month, day, year and vaccine(s) administered, and clinic source and location, to an elementary or secondary school or a licensed child care center upon written or verbal request from the elementary or secondary school or licensed child care center. Written or verbal permission from a student or parent is not required to release this information to an elementary or secondary school or licensed child care center.

**7.12(2)** *Among physicians, physician assistants, nurses, or certified medical assistants directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner.* Immunization information, including the student's name, date of birth, and demographic information, the month, day, year and vaccine(s) administered, and clinic source and location, shall be provided by one physician, physician assistant, nurse, or a certified medical assistant directed by a supervising physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner to another health care provider without written or verbal permission from the student or the parent.

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CHAPTER 8  
SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

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CHAPTER 9  
OUTPATIENT DIABETES EDUCATION PROGRAMS

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**641—9.1(135) Scope.** The scope of this chapter is to describe the standards for outpatient diabetes self-management education programs and the procedures programs must follow for certification by the Iowa department of public health that will allow for third-party reimbursement.

**641—9.2(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below.

“*ADA*” means the American Diabetes Association.

“*Certification*” means the review and approval and assignment of a program site number of an outpatient diabetes education program which meets minimum standards.

“*Certified diabetes educator*” means a person currently certified by the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Diabetes mellitus*” includes the following:

1. “Type I diabetes” means insulin-dependent diabetes (IDDM) requiring lifelong treatment with insulin.

2. “Type II diabetes” means noninsulin-dependent diabetes often managed by food plan, exercise, weight control, and in some instances, oral medications or insulin.

3. “Gestational diabetes” means diabetes diagnosed during pregnancy.

4. “Impaired glucose tolerance” means a condition in which blood glucose levels are higher than normal, diagnosed by a physician, and treated with food plan, exercise or weight control.

5. “Secondary diabetes” means diabetes induced by drugs or chemicals as well as by pancreatic or endocrine disease and treated appropriately.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Licensed dietitian*” means a person currently licensed to practice dietetics under Iowa Code chapter 152A.

“*Participant*” means a patient who is referred to, is active in, or has completed the educational diabetes program.

“*Pharmacist*” means a person currently licensed to practice pharmacy under Iowa Code chapter 155.

“*Physician*” means a person currently licensed to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or osteopathy under Iowa Code chapters 148 and 150A.

“*Primary instructor*” means an instructor with major or broad teaching responsibility.

“*Professional health educator*” means a person having successfully completed a degree designated “health education” from an accredited college or university.

“*Program*” means an outpatient diabetes self-management education program in which instruction shall be provided which shall enable people with diabetes and their families to understand the diabetes disease process and the daily management of diabetes.

“*Program coordinator*” means the person responsible for the direction and supervision of a program including, but not limited to, planning, arranging implementation, and assuring quality.

“*Program staff*” means the program coordinator, program physician, primary and supporting instructors, and advisory committee members.

“*Registered nurse*” means a person currently licensed to practice professional nursing under Iowa Code chapter 152.

“*Standards*” means the outpatient diabetes education program standards developed by the department.

“*Supporting instructor*” means an instructor who teaches only one or two specific topics of the program, on a voluntary or paid basis.

**641—9.3(135) Powers and duties.** The department shall be responsible for taking the following actions:

**9.3(1)** Develop minimum standards in consultation with the American Diabetes Association, Great Plains affiliate.

**9.3(2)** Annually review and update the standards as needed, and provide revised standards to programs and others.

**9.3(3)** Develop certification packages.

*a.* Certification packages shall be provided on request to programs and to the general public.

*b.* The package shall contain certification procedures, rules, and standardized forms.

*c.* The certification package is available from the Bureau of Health Promotion, Division of Substance Abuse and Health Promotion, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**9.3(4)** Evaluate each application submitted and determine adequacy of program for certification.

**9.3(5)** Assign a program site number and an expiration date and issue a certificate to each program that meets the standards. A certificate shall be valid for three years from issuance unless specified otherwise on the certificate or unless sooner revoked.

**9.3(6)** Maintain a list of certified programs.

**641—9.4(135) Application procedures for American Diabetes Association recognized programs.** When the program is recognized by the American Diabetes Association, the program shall apply for certification to the department by submitting a copy of the Certificate of Recognition provided by ADA, the name, address and telephone number for the program, the name of the program coordinator and the name of the program physician. In addition, since the ADA recognition program does not require the participation of a pharmacist but the Iowa law does, an ADA-recognized program shall submit the name(s), license number(s) and continuing education hours of the pharmacist(s) who serves as program staff. A pharmacist shall be a primary or supporting instructor or advisory committee member and shall meet the education requirements in 9.8(6), 9.8(7) or 9.8(8). The expiration date for the certification of an ADA-recognized program shall be six months after the expiration date of the ADA recognition.

**641—9.5(135) Renewal procedures for American Diabetes Association recognized programs.** To apply for renewal of certification, the ADA-recognized program shall submit a copy of the new ADA Certificate of Recognition, the name, address and telephone number for the program, the name of the program coordinator, the name of the program physician, and the name(s), license number(s), and continuing education hours of the pharmacist(s) who serves as program staff. A pharmacist shall be a primary or supporting instructor or advisory committee member and shall meet the continuing education requirements in 9.9(6).

**641—9.6(135) Application procedures for programs not recognized by the American Diabetes Association.**

**9.6(1)** Each program shall apply for certification with the department.

**9.6(2)** Applications from programs not recognized by ADA shall provide the following information:

*a.* Name, address and telephone number for the program, program physician and program coordinator.

*b.* Identification of the target population, an estimate of the program caseload, estimated number of programs to be conducted annually, minimum and maximum class size, and a calendar identifying the hours per day and number of days per week scheduled in individual or group instruction to meet the minimum course requirements.

*c.* A description of goals and objectives, participant referral mechanism, and means of coordinating between the community, physicians, and program staff.

*d.* Evaluation methods designed by individual programs and samples of documents to be used.

*e.* A description of the curriculum designed to instruct the participant with diabetes how to achieve self-management competency. The curriculum shall cover the same 15 content areas as are required by the ADA for recognition. These topics are listed below.

- (1) Diabetes overview.
- (2) Stress and psychological adjustment.
- (3) Family involvement and social support.
- (4) Nutrition.
- (5) Exercise and activity.
- (6) Medications.
- (7) Monitoring and use of results.
- (8) Relationship among nutrition, exercise, medication and blood glucose levels.
- (9) Prevention, detection, and treatment of acute complications.
- (10) Prevention, detection, and treatment of chronic complications.
- (11) Foot, skin, and dental care.
- (12) Behavior change strategies, goal setting, risk-factor reduction, and problem solving.
- (13) Benefits, risks, and management options for improving glucose control.
- (14) Preconception care, pregnancy, and gestational diabetes.
- (15) Use of health care systems and community resources.

**641—9.7(135) Diabetes program management for programs not recognized by the American Diabetes Association.**

**9.7(1)** Pertinent information related to the recent medical history, physical examination, and test results performed by the participant's health care provider shall be provided when the participant is referred to the program. Program staff shall remain in contact with the participant's health care provider and shall make recommendations relative to the medical care and treatment of the participant's diabetes when appropriate.

**9.7(2)** When the participant completes the program, arrangements shall be made by program staff for optimal follow-up care.

**9.7(3)** Program staff members shall take an active role in the care of the participant's diabetes during the course of the program to optimize diabetes control. The program staff shall be prepared to make necessary recommendations to the referring health care provider in the participant's diabetes management which may include the following:

- a.* Changes in the insulin regimen.
- b.* Changes in the medications.
- c.* Changes in the food plan.
- d.* Changes in exercise.

**9.7(4)** Written materials supporting the program curriculum are to be made available to the participants. Educational materials from commercial sources shall be carefully evaluated by staff and be consistent with the program curriculum.

**641—9.8(135) Program staff for programs not recognized by the American Diabetes Association.**

**9.8(1)** A program coordinator and a program physician shall be designated.

*a.* The program coordinator shall provide direction and supervision of the program, including, but not limited to, planning, arranging implementation, and assuring quality. If the program coordinator is an instructor, the program coordinator shall be a health care professional and meet the requirements for primary or supporting instructor.

*b.* The program physician shall provide medical direction for the program. The program physician shall maintain contact with the participant's attending physician and shall make recommendations relative to the medical care and treatment of the participant's diabetes where appropriate.

**9.8(2)** The program shall have an advisory committee composed of at least one physician, one registered nurse, one licensed dietitian and one pharmacist to oversee the program. It is recommended the advisory committee include an individual with behavioral science expertise, a consumer, and a community representative. The advisory committee shall participate in the annual planning process, including determination of target audience, program objectives, participant access mechanisms,

instructional methods, resource requirements, participant follow-up mechanisms, and program evaluation.

**9.8(3)** The primary instructors shall be one or more of the following health care professionals: physicians, registered nurses, licensed dietitians, and pharmacists who are knowledgeable about the disease process of diabetes and the treatment of diabetes. If there is only one primary instructor, there shall be at least one supporting instructor. The supporting instructor shall be from one of the four professions listed as possible primary instructors, but a different profession from the single primary instructor.

**9.8(4)** The program may have additional supporting instructors including, but not limited to, dentist, exercise physiologist, health educator, ophthalmologist, pediatric diabetologist, podiatrist, psychologist, psychiatrist, or social worker.

**9.8(5)** The names and license or registration numbers of the program physician, program coordinator, and all primary and supporting instructors shall be included with the program application.

**9.8(6)** All primary instructors shall show evidence of knowledge about the disease process of diabetes and the treatment and management of people with diabetes by documentation of one or more of the following:

*a.* Within the last three years, completion of a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in diabetes, diabetes management, or diabetes education; or

*b.* Equivalent training or experience including, but not limited to, endocrinology fellowship training or masters level preparation in diabetes nursing/nutrition. Unsupervised teaching of patients is not an acceptable equivalent.

*c.* Current certification as a certified diabetes educator.

**9.8(7)** All supporting instructors shall show evidence of knowledge about the disease process of diabetes and the treatment and management of people with diabetes by documentation of completion of a minimum of 12 hours of continuing education in diabetes, diabetes management, or diabetes education within the last three years or have current certification as a certified diabetes educator.

**9.8(8)** The four professionals required in 9.8(2) to be on the advisory committee shall have completed six hours of continuing education in diabetes within the past three years.

**9.8(9)** The program coordinator shall determine that each primary or supporting instructor has current licensure or registration required to practice in Iowa.

**9.8(10)** The program coordinator shall determine that new primary or supporting instructors, who join the program staff during a certification period, meet the requirements for initial certification in 9.8(6) or 9.8(7) within six months of when they join the program staff.

**641—9.9(135) Renewal application procedures for programs not recognized by the American Diabetes Association.** Every three years, programs shall provide the following information to the department at least 30 days prior to the expiration date.

**9.9(1)** Name, address and telephone number of the program, program physician and program coordinator.

**9.9(2)** Identification of the target population, an estimate of program caseload, and the number of participants served in the certification period.

**9.9(3)** A description of goals and objectives, participant referral mechanism, and means of coordinating between the community, physicians, and program staff.

**9.9(4)** A description of any changes from the previous application.

**9.9(5)** A list of new program staff by name, license number or registration number, and position with the program. New staff who will serve as primary instructors shall submit documentation of their training in diabetes as addressed in 9.8(6). New staff serving as supporting instructors shall submit documentation of their training as addressed in 9.8(7).

**9.9(6)** Documentation of continuing education hours accrued since the previous application for current staff and new staff.

*a.* All primary instructors shall complete a minimum of 18 hours of continuing education in diabetes, diabetes management or diabetes education within the past three years.



b. All supporting instructors shall complete a minimum of nine hours of continuing education in diabetes, diabetes management, or diabetes education within the past three years.

c. The four professionals required in 9.8(2) to be on the advisory committee shall complete a minimum of five hours of continuing education in diabetes within the past three years.

**641—9.10(135) Annual report.** Summary data shall be completed annually by each program and sent to the department. The data shall include the number of times the program was presented, the number of outpatients that participated, and a summarized description of program participants including type of diabetes, age, race and sex.

**641—9.11(135) Enforcement.**

**9.11(1)** The department may annually or more frequently conduct on-site visits of certified programs.

**9.11(2)** The department shall furnish a written report of each visit to the program coordinator.

**9.11(3)** Programs determined by the department to no longer meet the minimum standards for certification shall be given 30 days following receipt of the department's notification of deficiencies to submit a plan of correction.

**9.11(4)** Notification of cancellation shall be provided to the Iowa insurance division of the Iowa department of commerce and the public.

**641—9.12(135) Complaints.**

**9.12(1)** The department shall accept complaints of alleged problems relating to certified outpatient diabetes self-management programs. The information shall state in a reasonably specific manner the basis of the complaints and be presented in writing, in person or by telephone to: Bureau of Health Promotion, Division of Substance Abuse and Health Promotion, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075; (515)281-6779.

**9.12(2)** The department shall, within 20 working days of the receipt of the complaint, contact the program coordinator for initial evaluation of the specific matters alleged in the complaint. The program shall receive a written report of the results of department activities relating to the complaint investigation. The complainant shall be promptly informed of the results of the investigation or any action taken by the department.

**641—9.13(135) Appeal process.**

**9.13(1) Denial.** Programs shall receive written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting forth the reason(s) for denial. The denial shall become effective 30 days after receipt by the aggrieved party unless the grievant within that 30-day period gives written notice to the department requesting a hearing in which case the notice shall be deemed to be suspended.

**9.13(2) Revocation.** Programs shall receive written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting forth the reason(s) for revocation. The revocation shall become effective 30 days after receipt by the aggrieved party unless the grievant within that 30-day period gives written notice to the department requesting a hearing in which case the notice shall be deemed to be suspended.

**9.13(3) Contested case.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rule adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**641—9.14(135) Formal contest.**

**9.14(1) Hearing.** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10.

**9.14(2) Decision of administrative law judge.** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without

further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in 9.14(3).

**9.14(3) *Appeal to director.*** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**9.14(4) *Record of hearing.*** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**9.14(5) *Decision of director.*** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**9.14(6) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application or a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**9.14(7) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

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CHAPTER 10  
DEFINITIONS

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CHAPTER 11  
ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
TO ELIGIBLE HIV-INFECTED PATIENTS  
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**641—11.1 to 11.15** Reserved.

CERTIFICATION OF LABORATORIES  
FOR HIV TESTING

**641—11.16(141) Purpose.** To describe the certification procedures and standards for laboratories that desire to perform HIV testing services.

**641—11.17(141) Definitions.** For the purpose of rules 641—11.16(141) to 11.34(141), the following definitions shall apply:

“*AAB*” means American Association of Bioanalysts.

“*AABB*” means American Association of Blood Banks.

“*AOA*” means American Osteopathic Association.

“*Blood bank*” means a facility for the collection, processing, or storage of human blood or blood derivatives, or from which or by means of which human blood or blood derivatives are distributed or otherwise made available.

“*CAP*” means College of American Pathologists.

“*CDC*” means Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

“*CLIA*” means Clinical Laboratories Improvement Act as administered by HCFA for HIV testing.

“*Clinical laboratory*” means a facility for the microbiological, serological, chemical, hematological, radiobioassay, cytological, immunohematological, pathological or other examination of materials derived from the human body for the purpose of providing information for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of any disease or assessment of a medical condition.

“*Confirmatory test*” means an additional more specific test designed to validate the results of a screening test.

“*Department*” means Iowa department of public health.

“*FDA*” means Food and Drug Administration.

“*HCFA*” means Health Care Financing Administration.

“*HIV*” means “human immunodeficiency virus.”

“*HIV testing*” means laboratory analysis of a specimen for the purpose of detecting HIV infection.

“*JCAHO*” means Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

“*Laboratory*” means a clinical or public health laboratory or a blood bank inside or outside the boundaries of Iowa.

“*Medicare*” means Medicare laboratories certified by HCFA under 42 CFR 482.27, effective September 15, 1986, (Conditions of Participation for Hospitals) or 42 CFR 405.1310 et seq., effective January 1, 1966 (Conditions for Coverage of Services of Independent Laboratories).

“*Physician*” means a person currently licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 148, 150 or 150A.

“*Public health laboratory*” means a laboratory operated by an agency of city, county or state government for purposes of supporting disease control activities.

“*Screening test*” means the initial test performed to detect antibodies to HIV.

“*Specimen*” means a human body fluid or tissue sample.

**641—11.18(141) Responsibilities of the department.**

**11.18(1)** The department shall consider for certification those laboratories that desire to perform HIV testing services.

**11.18(2)** An application package is available from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**11.18(3)** The application package shall include:

- a. A copy of these rules, and
- b. An "Application to Perform HIV Testing."

**11.18(4)** To determine laboratory compliance with the standards established pursuant to these rules, the department, at the department's discretion, may conduct periodic inspections of:

- a. Laboratory facilities,
- b. Methods,
- c. Procedures,
- d. Materials (including reagents),
- e. Staff, and
- f. Equipment.

NOTE: The department may delegate this authority to the State Hygienic Laboratory pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 141.

**11.18(5)** The department shall issue a written notice for each certified laboratory that clearly identifies the laboratory and the certification period. The notice shall also specify whether the laboratory is certified to perform screening only, or can perform both screening and confirmatory HIV testing services.

**11.18(6)** The department shall maintain and furnish upon request a current list of all HIV testing laboratories certified by the department. The list shall also specify whether the laboratories are certified to perform screening only, or can perform both screening and confirmatory HIV testing services.

**641—11.19(141) Initial application and certification requirements.**

**11.19(1)** Laboratories desiring to perform HIV testing services shall apply to the department.

**11.19(2)** Laboratories requesting certification to perform HIV testing shall provide to the department:

- a. A completed "Application to Perform HIV Testing."
- b. Proof of current accreditation, certification or licensure by AOA, CAP, CLIA, FDA, JCAHO or Medicare.
- c. A copy of the documents that describe the interpretive basis for positive, negative and indeterminate screening and confirmatory test results.

NOTE: Recommended guidelines for interpreting test results are those published by the Committee on HIV Testing, Association of State and Territorial Public Health Laboratory Directors, 6728 Old McLean Village Drive, McLean, Virginia 22101, or other guidelines approved by the department.

d. Proof of current enrollment in an HIV proficiency testing program. Proficiency testing programs include, but are not limited to, those administered by AAB, AABB, CAP or CDC.

**11.19(3)** Acceptable performance must be maintained during the 12-month certification period in all appropriate areas of HIV proficiency testing. Laboratories shall send copies of their proficiency testing results to the State Hygienic Laboratory on a quarterly basis for the purpose of ongoing monitoring and evaluation of performance. The address is: State Hygienic Laboratory, University of Iowa, Oakdale Hall, Iowa City, Iowa 52242.

**11.19(4)** Acceptable proficiency testing performance is stipulated below:

- a. For laboratories providing screening tests, four out of five survey specimens must be interpreted accurately with a minimum of five survey specimens analyzed per quarter.
- b. For laboratories providing confirmatory tests, no unacceptable results are permitted for five out of five survey specimens with a minimum of five survey specimens analyzed per quarter.

**641—11.20** Reserved.

**641—11.21(141) Renewal of laboratory certification.** Certification to continue HIV testing must be renewed annually. To renew certification, laboratories must submit the following information to the department at least 60 days before their current certification expires:

1. Proof of continued accreditation, certification or licensure by AOA, CAP, CLIA, FDA, JCAHO or Medicare.
2. Proof of continued enrollment in a recognized HIV proficiency testing program.

**641—11.22(141) Reinstatement of certification.** A laboratory whose certification has been limited, suspended, or revoked may be reinstated, provided the department receives (within 90 days) documentation that corrective actions have been taken that satisfy the reason(s) for limitation, suspension, or revocation.

**641—11.23(141) Application fees and inspection costs.**

**11.23(1)** Each laboratory at the time of application shall remit to the department the appropriate application fee. All fees shall be made payable to the “Iowa Department of Public Health” as follows:

*a. Annual certification.* A fee of \$100 is required the first time a laboratory applies for annual certification.

*b. Renewal.* A fee of \$100 is required for laboratories desiring to renew their annual certification.

*c. Reinstatement.* A fee of \$100 is required for laboratories desiring to reinstate their certification. If, however, the reinstatement occurs with less than 2 months remaining in the 12-month certification period, the \$100 fee shall be waived.

NOTE: A reinstatement does not alter a laboratory’s previously established certification period.

**11.23(2)** Inspection costs. Reimbursement for actual expenses shall be assessed only to those laboratories where an on-site inspection is considered necessary. Expenses shall be reimbursed to the State Hygienic Laboratory for the actual costs incurred for personnel time and travel expenses consistent with state of Iowa travel reimbursement limitations.

**641—11.24(141) Requirements for laboratory personnel.**

**11.24(1)** Laboratory directors shall meet the qualifications specified by AOA, CAP, CLIA, FDA, JCAHO or Medicare.

**11.24(2)** Laboratory supervisors shall meet the qualifications specified by CLIA or Medicare.

**641—11.25(141) Laboratory procedures and procedure manual requirements.**

**11.25(1)** All laboratories shall have written procedures and a procedure manual which encompasses all current aspects of the HIV testing process including, but not limited to:

- a.* Specimen acquisition.
- b.* Specimen and report security.
- c.* Test performance.
- d.* Reporting of results.
- e.* Confirmation of positive test results.
- f.* Confidentiality.

**11.25(2)** Procedure manuals shall be readily available for review during any on-site inspection.

**11.25(3)** Positive and negative controls shall be used each time a test is performed.

**11.25(4)** Laboratories shall develop criteria for the rejection of specimens.

**641—11.26(141) Notification of certain changes during a certification period.** Any of the following changes that occur during a certification period shall be reported to the department within ten working days from the date the changes take place:

1. Change in accreditation, certification or licensure.
2. Change in address.
3. Change in method used for screening or confirmatory tests.
4. Change in laboratory used to perform confirmatory tests.
5. Change in laboratory director.
6. Change in laboratory ownership.

**641—11.27(141) Testing methodologies and confirmation of positive test results.**

**11.27(1)** Screening tests. The screening test shall be the enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test or an equivalent test as determined by the department.

**11.27(2)** Confirmatory tests. Specimens which are reactive as a result of the screening test shall be confirmed by the enzyme-linked immunoelectrotransfer blot (Western blot) test or an equivalent test as determined by the department before being reported by the laboratory to the department as a confirmed positive test result.

**11.27(3)** Specimens requiring confirmation that cannot be tested by the laboratory performing the screening test shall be referred to a laboratory capable of performing confirmatory testing which has been certified by the department.

**11.27(4)** Confirmed positive specimens shall be retained at or below minus 20 degrees centigrade for at least six months.

**641—11.28(141) Record maintenance and documentation of the testing process.** The following information shall be retained for at least two years:

1. Test results of all specimens.
2. Relevant quality control documentation that includes the identification and lot number of the kit or reagents used for each batch.

**641—11.29(141) Reporting of test results to the department.**

**11.29(1)** Each laboratory shall ensure that:

- a. Written procedures have been established for reporting test results and release of information.
- b. All test results are reviewed by the director, or a qualified designee, prior to reporting.
- c. All test results are clearly identified and that appropriate interpretive information is included with the HIV test report.

**11.29(2)** Within seven days of the receipt of a person's confirmed positive test result indicating HIV infection, the director of a blood plasma center, blood bank, clinical laboratory or public health laboratory that performed the test or that requested the confirmatory test shall make a report to the department on a form provided by the department. The report shall include:

- a. The person's age, race, marital status and other information deemed necessary by the department for epidemiological purposes or as much of that information as the director may possess, but shall not include the person's name or address without the written authorization of the person.
- b. The name, address and telephone number of the blood plasma center, blood bank, clinical laboratory or public health laboratory that performed or requested the test.
- c. The address of the physician or other health care practitioner that requested the test. This paragraph, however, shall not apply to a blood plasma center or blood bank.

NOTE: Iowa Code requires the performance of a confirmatory test for any screening test result which is reactive. However, only confirmatory test results that are positive are to be reported to the department.

**641—11.30(141) Complaints or noncompliance.**

**11.30(1)** The department shall accept complaints of alleged problems or noncompliance, provided they relate to the laboratory's HIV testing performance. The complainant shall state in as specific a manner as possible the basis for the complaint. The complaint shall be presented in writing or in person to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**11.30(2)** Within 20 working days following the department's receipt of the complaint, the department shall communicate with the laboratory director for initial evaluation of the specific matters alleged in the complaint.

**11.30(3)** Based upon the nature of the complaint, the department may request technical assistance from the State Hygienic Laboratory in order to properly assess the alleged problem.

**11.30(4)** The laboratory shall receive a written report of the department's findings relating to the complaint investigation and the complainant shall be informed of any action taken by the department.



**11.30(5)** Upon a determination by the department that a laboratory has violated these rules, the department may immediately move to limit, suspend, revoke or deny that laboratory's certification.

**641—11.31(141) Adverse actions and the appeal process.**

**11.31(1)** Laboratories shall receive written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting forth the reason(s) for any limitation, suspension, revocation or denial of certification.

**11.31(2)** The adverse action shall become effective 30 days after the aggrieved party has received the department's notice unless the aggrieved party, within 30 days, gives written notice to the department requesting a hearing. In that event, the notice shall be deemed to be suspended.

**11.31(3)** Contested cases. The procedures for contested cases, as set out in Iowa Code chapter 17A and the rules adopted by the department in 641—Chapter 173, shall be followed in all cases where proper notice has been made to the department of the intent to formally contest any limitation, suspension, revocation or denial of certification.

Rules 11.16(141) to 11.31(141) are intended to implement Iowa Code section 141.7.

**641—11.32 to 11.34** Reserved.

TRAINING PROGRAMS

**641—11.35(141) Purpose.** The purpose is to describe what constitutes an approved training program, the required content of acquired immune deficiency syndrome training programs and to identify the groups of personnel involved.

**11.35(1) *Nonemergency personnel.*** All supervisory and patient care personnel of any agency listed below shall complete a minimum of two hours of training concerning acquired immune deficiency syndrome-related conditions:

- a. A licensed hospice,
- b. A homemaker-home health aide provider agency which receives state homemaker-home health aide funds, or
- c. An agency which provides respite care services and receives funds.

NOTE: New employees shall complete the training within six months of their initial employment. Existing employees shall complete the training on or before January 1, 1989. AIDS education programs conducted on or after January 1, 1987, shall count as satisfying the two-hour requirement when attendance and course content can be verified.

**11.35(2) *Content.*** Training programs must address the following topics:

- a. HIV disease processes,
- b. Signs and symptoms,
- c. Transmission,
- d. High-risk activities,
- e. Prevention recommendations, and
- f. Universal precautions according to the following Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia 30333:

(1) Volume 36, Number 2S, Supplement, dated August 21, 1987, entitled "Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings," and

(2) Volume 37, Number 24, dated June 24, 1988, entitled "Update: Universal Precautions for Prevention of Transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Hepatitis B Virus, and Other Bloodborne Pathogens in Health-Care Settings."

**11.35(3) *Emergency and law enforcement personnel.*** All emergency medical services personnel, firefighters, and law enforcement personnel shall complete a minimum of two hours of training concerning acquired immune deficiency syndrome-related conditions and the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus infection.

**11.35(4) *Content.*** Training programs must address the following topics:

a. HIV disease processes,  
 b. Signs and symptoms,  
 c. Transmission,  
 d. High-risk activities,  
 e. Prevention recommendations, and  
 f. Universal precautions according to the following Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia 30333:

(1) Volume 36, Number 2S, Supplement, dated August 21, 1987, entitled “Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings,” and

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This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.11, 135.39, 139B.1(2) “f” and 141.1 to 141.10.

**641—11.36 to 11.39** Reserved.

#### DIRECT NOTIFICATION OF AN IDENTIFIABLE THIRD PARTY

**641—11.40(141) Purpose.** To establish, as a part of the partner notification program, a procedure for the notification by a physician or the department of an identifiable third party who is a sexual partner of or who shares intravenous equipment with a person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus.

**11.40(1)** This procedure shall be used only when both of the following situations exist:

a. A physician for the infected person is of the good faith opinion that the nature of the continuing contact through sexual intercourse or the sharing of intravenous equipment poses an imminent danger of human immunodeficiency virus infection transmission to the third party.

b. When the physician believes in good faith that the infected person, despite strong encouragement, has not and will not warn the third party and will not participate in the voluntary partner notification program.

**11.40(2)** A physician may reveal the identity of a person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection pursuant to this rule only to the extent necessary to protect a third party from the direct threat of transmission. Notification of a person pursuant to this rule shall be made confidentially. Nothing in this rule shall be interpreted to create a duty to warn third parties of the danger of exposure to human immunodeficiency virus through contact with a person who tests positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection.

**11.40(3)** When the physician is of the good faith opinion and belief that third-party notification should be performed, notification of a person pursuant to this rule shall be made:

a. Directly by the physician according to the procedures stated in subrules 11.40(4), 11.40(5) and 11.40(10), or

b. By the department at the request of the physician according to subrules 11.40(6) to 11.40(10).

**11.40(4)** Notification by the physician. Prior to notification of a third party by an infected person’s physician, the physician shall make reasonable efforts to inform, in writing, the person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection. The written information shall state that due to the nature of the person’s continuing contact through sexual intercourse or the sharing of intravenous equipment with a third party, and the physician’s belief that the infected person, despite strong encouragement, has not and will not warn the third party and will not participate in the voluntary partner notification program, the physician is forced to take action to provide notification to the third party. The physician, when reasonably possible, shall provide the following information to the person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection:

a. The nature of the disclosure and the reason for the disclosure.

- b. The anticipated date of disclosure.
- c. The name of the party or parties to whom disclosure is to be made.

NOTE: Reasonable efforts to inform, in writing, the person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection shall be deemed satisfied when the physician delivers the written notice in person or directs a written notice to the person's last-known address by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, at least five days prior to the anticipated date of disclosure to the third party.

**11.40(5)** When performed by the infected person's physician, notification of the third party and any disclosure concerning the purpose of that notification shall be made in person. The third party may be requested by telephone or by ordinary mail to arrange to meet with the physician at the earliest opportunity to discuss an important health matter. The nature of the health matter to be discussed shall not be revealed in the telephone call or letter.

**11.40(6)** Notification by the department. When referring to the department, the infected person's physician shall first make reasonable efforts to inform the infected person by delivering a written notice in person or by directing a written notice to the person's last-known address by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, at least five days prior to the anticipated date of referral to the department. The notice shall state that due to the nature of the person's continuing contact through sexual intercourse or the sharing of intravenous equipment with a third party, and the physician's belief that the infected person, despite strong encouragement, has not and will not warn the third party and will not participate in the voluntary partner notification program, the physician is forced to take action by requesting that the department notify the third party. The notice shall also state that the following information is being reported to the department for purposes of third-party notification:

- a. The infected person's name and address.
- b. The third party's name, address, telephone number and any other locating information known to the physician.

NOTE: A copy of the letter provided to the infected person pursuant to this subrule shall accompany the physician's request for third-party notification by the department.

**11.40(7)** A physician's request to the department to notify a third party shall be made by certified mail, return receipt requested. The department's address for this purpose is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Disease Prevention, AIDS Prevention Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The request shall include:

- a. The infected person's name and address.
- b. The third party's name, address, telephone number and any other locating information known to the physician.
- c. A statement of the facts and circumstances which satisfy the requirements of subrule 11.40(1).

**11.40(8)** It shall be the department's responsibility prior to making a third-party notification, when reasonably possible, to provide, in writing, the following information to the person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection:

- a. The nature of the disclosure and the reason for the disclosure.
- b. The anticipated date of disclosure.
- c. The name of the third party or parties to whom disclosure is to be made.

NOTE: Reasonable efforts to inform, in writing, the person who has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus infection shall be deemed satisfied when the department directs a written notice to the person's last-known address by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, at least five days prior to the anticipated date of disclosure to the third party.

**11.40(9)** When performed by the department, notification of the third party and any disclosure concerning the purpose of that notification shall be made in person. The third party may be requested by telephone or by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, to arrange to meet with a department representative at the earliest opportunity to discuss an important health matter. The nature of the matter to be discussed shall not be revealed in the telephone call or letter.

**11.40(10)** Confidentiality. The infected person's physician and the department shall protect the confidentiality of the third party and the infected person. The identity of the infected person shall remain confidential unless it is necessary to reveal it to the third party so that the third party may

avoid exposure to the human immunodeficiency virus infection. If the identity of the infected person is revealed, the third party shall be presented with a statement in writing at the time of disclosure which includes the following or substantially similar language: “Confidential information revealing the identity of a person infected with the human immunodeficiency virus has been disclosed to you. The confidentiality of this information is protected by state law. State law prohibits you from making any further disclosure of the information without the specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains. Any breach of the required confidential treatment of this information subjects you to legal action and civil liability for monetary damages. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not sufficient for this purpose.”

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.11, 135.39, 139B.1(2) “f,” 141.1 to 141.10 and 141.22A(17).

**641—11.41 to 11.44** Reserved.

EMERGENCY CARE PROVIDERS  
EXPOSED TO CONTAGIOUS OR  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**641—11.45(139B,141) Purpose.** The purpose of these rules is to implement Iowa Code sections 139B.1(2) “f” and 141.22A(17), relating to emergency care providers who are exposed to contagious or infectious diseases.

**641—11.46(139B,141) Definitions.** For the purpose of rules 641—11.45(139B,141) to 11.53(139B,141) the following definitions shall apply:

“*AIDS*” means acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.

“*Contagious or infectious disease*” means blood-borne viral hepatitis, meningococcal disease, tuberculosis, and any other disease with the exception of AIDS or HIV infection as defined in Iowa Code section 141.21, determined to be life-threatening to a person exposed to the disease as established by the department based upon a determination by the state epidemiologist and in accordance with guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Designated officer*” means a person who is designated by a department, agency, division, or service organization to act as an infection control liaison officer.

“*Emergency care provider*” means a person who renders direct emergency aid without compensation or a person who is trained and authorized by federal or state law to provide emergency medical assistance or treatment, for compensation or in a voluntary capacity including, but not limited to, all of the following:

1. A basic emergency medical care provider as defined in Iowa Code section 147.1.
2. An advanced emergency medical care provider as defined in Iowa Code section 147A.1.
3. A health care provider as defined in this rule.
4. A firefighter.
5. A peace officer.

6. Any other person who is not part of an emergency care provider service who renders direct emergency aid without compensation.

“*Exposure*” means the risk of contracting disease.

“*Health care provider*” means a person licensed or certified under Iowa Code chapter 148, 148C, 150, 150A, 152, or 153 to provide professional health care services to a person during the person’s medical care, treatment or confinement.

“*HIV infection*” means human immunodeficiency virus infection as defined in Iowa Code section 141.21.

“*Infectious body fluids*” means body fluids capable of transmitting HIV infection as listed in “Guidelines for Prevention of Transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Hepatitis B Virus to Health-Care and Public-Safety Workers,” found in Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, dated

June 23, 1989, Volume 38, Number S-6, published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, or subsequent Centers for Disease Control statements on this topic. To prevent HIV and blood-borne viral hepatitis B disease transmission, this reference indicates that universal precautions should be followed for exposure to the following infectious body fluids: blood, amniotic fluid, pericardial fluid, peritoneal fluid, pleural fluid, synovial fluid, cerebrospinal fluid, semen, vaginal secretions, and saliva contaminated with blood. HIV and hepatitis B disease transmission has not occurred from feces, nasal secretions, sputum, sweat, tears, urine, vomitus, and saliva when it is not contaminated with blood.

*“Report of exposure to infectious disease”* means the report form provided by the department and is the only form authorized for the reporting of an exposure to blood-borne hepatitis B or the reporting of a significant exposure to HIV. The report form may be incorporated into the Iowa prehospital care report, the Iowa prehospital advanced care report, or a similar report used by an ambulance, rescue, or first responder service or law enforcement agency.

*“Significant exposure”* means the risk of contracting HIV infection by means of exposure to a person’s infectious body fluids in a manner capable of transmitting HIV infection as determined by the Centers for Disease Control of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Exposure includes contact with blood or other infectious body fluids to which universal precautions apply through percutaneous inoculation or contact with an open wound, nonintact skin, or mucous membranes during the performance of normal job duties. Significant exposures for HIV reportable to the hospital, or to the office or clinic of a health care provider to initiate the notification procedure regarding an exposure to an infectious body fluid are:

1. Transmission of blood or bloody fluids of the patient onto a mucous membrane (mouth, nose, or eyes) of the emergency care provider.
2. Transmission of blood or bloody fluids onto an open wound or lesion with significant breakdown in the skin barrier, including a needle puncture with a needle contaminated with blood.

#### **641—11.47(139B,141) General provisions.**

**11.47(1)** A hospital licensed under Iowa Code chapter 135B shall have written policies and procedures for notification of an emergency care provider who renders assistance or treatment to a patient when in the course of admission, care, or treatment of that patient, the patient is diagnosed or is confirmed as having a contagious or infectious disease.

**11.47(2)** If a patient is diagnosed or confirmed as having a contagious or infectious disease, the hospital shall notify the designated officer of an emergency care provider service who shall notify persons involved in attending or transporting the patient. For blood-borne contagious or infectious diseases, notification shall only take place upon the filing of a report form with the hospital.

**11.47(3)** The person who renders direct emergency aid without compensation as identified in rule 11.46(139B,141), “emergency care provider,” paragraph “6,” who is exposed to a patient who has a contagious or infectious disease shall also receive notification from the hospital when the hospital has received a report form.

**11.47(4)** The notification shall advise the emergency care provider of possible exposure to a particular contagious or infectious disease and recommend that the provider seek medical attention. The notification shall be provided as soon as reasonably possible following determination that the patient has a contagious or infectious disease.

**11.47(5)** The emergency care provider shall file exposure and significant exposure reports with the hospital or health care provider as soon as reasonably possible following the exposure.

**11.47(6)** The hospital shall maintain a record of all exposure or significant exposure reports it receives and shall retain each report for a period of five years.

**11.47(7)** The report form “Report of Exposure to Infectious Disease” is a confidential record pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22A.

**11.47(8)** The employer of an emergency care provider who submits a report form pursuant to these rules shall pay the cost of HIV counseling and testing for the emergency care provider and testing of the patient pursuant to subrule 11.50(1) or 11.51(2). The department shall provide HIV counseling and

testing at alternate testing sites for an emergency care provider who has rendered direct emergency aid without compensation as identified in rule 11.46(139B,141), “emergency care provider,” paragraph “6.”

**641—11.48(139B,141) Contagious or infectious diseases, not including HIV—hospitals.**

**11.48(1)** Notification for blood-borne viral hepatitis shall take place only upon the filing of an exposure report form with the hospital.

**11.48(2)** Notification shall take place whether or not an exposure report form has been filed for the following contagious or infectious diseases if the identity of the emergency care provider or the designated officer is known:

*a.* Meningococcal meningitis.

*b.* Tuberculosis (communicable). Tuberculosis may require six to ten weeks for disease confirmation.

**11.48(3)** These rules do not require a hospital to administer a test for the express purpose of determining the presence of a contagious or infectious disease.

**11.48(4)** The notification shall not include the name of the patient with the contagious or infectious disease unless the patient gives written consent.

**11.48(5)** These rules do not preclude a hospital from providing notification to an emergency care provider or health care provider under circumstances in which the hospital’s policy provides for notification of the hospital’s own employees of an exposure to a disease that is not life-threatening. The exposure report shall not reveal the patient’s name unless the patient gives written consent.

**11.48(6)** A hospital’s duty of notification under these rules is not continuing. It is limited to a diagnosis of a contagious or infectious disease made in the course of admission, care, and treatment following the rendering of emergency assistance or treatment for which the notification requirements of these rules apply.

**641—11.49(139B,141) Contagious or infectious diseases, not including HIV—health care providers.**

**11.49(1)** A health care provider may provide the notification required of hospitals in these rules to emergency care providers if a patient who has a contagious or infectious disease is transported by an emergency care provider to the office or clinic of a health care provider.

**11.49(2)** These rules do not require a health care provider to administer a test for the express purpose of determining the presence of a contagious or infectious disease.

**11.49(3)** Notification shall not include the name of the patient who has the contagious or infectious disease unless the patient gives written consent.

**11.49(4)** A health care provider’s duty of notification under these rules is not continuing, but is limited to a diagnosis of a contagious or infectious disease made in the course of care and treatment following the rendering of emergency assistance or treatment for which the notification requirements of these rules apply.

**641—11.50(139B,141) HIV infection—hospitals.**

**11.50(1)** These rules do not require or permit a hospital to administer a test for the express purpose of determining the presence of HIV infection except that testing may be performed if the patient consents and if the requirements of Iowa Code section 141.22 are satisfied.

**11.50(2)** Following submission of a significant exposure report by the emergency care provider to the hospital and a determination that the exposure reported was a significant exposure as defined in rule 11.46(139B,141), and a diagnosis or confirmation by the attending physician that the patient has HIV infection, a hospital shall provide notification of possible exposure to HIV pursuant to subrule 11.50(3) to the designated officer of the emergency care provider who provided assistance or treatment to the patient.

**11.50(3)** Notification to the emergency care provider of exposure to HIV infection shall be made in accordance with both of the following:

*a.* The hospital shall inform the patient, when the patient's condition permits, that a significant exposure occurred to an emergency care provider and that a significant exposure report has been filed.

*b.* The patient may provide consent for HIV testing or voluntarily disclose HIV status to the hospital and consent to the provision of notification.

**11.50(4)** Notwithstanding subrule 11.50(3), notification shall be made when the patient denies consent for or consent is not reasonably obtainable for serological testing, and in the course of admission, care, and treatment of the patient, the patient is diagnosed or is confirmed as having HIV infection.

**11.50(5)** The hospital shall notify the designated officer of the emergency care provider service. The designated officer shall notify those emergency care providers who submitted a significant exposure report and attended or transported the patient. The identity of the designated officer shall not be revealed to the patient.

**11.50(6)** The designated officer shall advise the emergency care providers who are notified to seek immediate medical attention and of the provisions of confidentiality under rule 11.53(139B,141).

**11.50(7)** The designated officer shall inform the hospital of the names of the emergency care providers to whom notification was made.

**11.50(8)** Hospitals shall inform the patient that they have a record of the names of the emergency care providers to whom notification was provided and, if requested by the patient, the hospital shall inform the patient of those names.

**11.50(9)** A person who renders direct emergency aid without compensation as identified in rule 11.46(139B,141), "emergency care provider," paragraph "6," who is exposed to a patient who has HIV infection, shall receive notification directly from the hospital in accordance with the procedures established in subrules 11.50(1) to 11.50(4).

**11.50(10)** The process for notification under these rules shall be initiated as soon as reasonably possible consistent with protocols for postexposure prophylaxis, according to "Public Health Service Statement on Management of Occupational Exposure to Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Including Considerations Regarding Zidovudine Postexposure Use," found in the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, dated January 26, 1990, Volume 39, Number RR-1, published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, or subsequent Centers for Disease Control statements on this topic.

**11.50(11)** A hospital's duty of notification under these rules is not continuing. It is limited to the diagnosis of HIV infection made in the course of admission, care, and treatment following the rendering of emergency assistance or treatment of the patient with the disease.

**11.50(12)** Notwithstanding subrule 11.50(11), if, following discharge or completion of care or treatment, a patient, for whom a report form was submitted that did not result in notification, wishes to provide information regarding the patient's HIV infection status to the emergency care provider, the hospital shall provide a procedure for notifying the emergency care provider.

**641—11.51(139B,141) HIV infection—health care providers.**

**11.51(1)** A health care provider, with written consent of the patient, may provide the notification required of hospitals in these rules to emergency care providers if a patient who has HIV infection is transported by an emergency care provider to the office or clinic of the health care provider. Notification shall take place only upon submission of a significant exposure report by the emergency care provider to the health care provider and after determination by the health care provider that a significant exposure has occurred.

**11.51(2)** These rules do not require or permit a health care provider to administer a test for the express purpose of determining the presence of HIV infection except that testing may be performed if the patient consents and if the requirements of Iowa Code section 141.22 are satisfied.

**641—11.52(139B,141) Immunity.** Hospitals, health care providers, or other persons participating in good faith in making a report under these rules, upon filing of a report form or a report under similar

procedures to notify their own employees or in failing to make a report under these rules are immune from any liability, civil or criminal, which may otherwise be incurred or imposed.

**641—11.53(139B,141) Confidentiality.**

**11.53(1)** Notifications made pursuant to these rules shall not disclose the identity of the patient who is diagnosed or confirmed as having HIV infection unless the patient provides a specific written release as provided in Iowa Code section 141.23, subsection 1, paragraph “a.”

**11.53(2)** If during these notification procedures an emergency care provider determines the identity of a patient with confirmed HIV infection, the identity of the patient shall be confidential information and shall not be disclosed by the emergency care provider to any other person unless a specific written release is obtained from the patient.

**11.53(3)** The procedures followed under rules 11.50(139B,141) to 11.51(139B,141) shall provide for the anonymity of the patient and all documentation shall be maintained in a confidential manner.

Rules 11.45(139B,141) to 11.53(139B,141) are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 139B.1(2) “f” and 141.22A(17).

**641—11.54 to 11.69** Reserved.

HIV-RELATED TEST FOR CONVICTED OR ALLEGED  
SEXUAL-ASSAULT OFFENDERS AND THE VICTIMS

**641—11.70(709B) Purpose.** The purpose of these rules is to describe procedures to follow for testing of a convicted or alleged offender for the human immunodeficiency virus pursuant to 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2369, and 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2527, and to establish procedures to follow to provide for counseling, health care, and support services to the victim.

**641—11.71(709B) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*AIDS*” means acquired immune deficiency syndrome as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

“*Alleged offender*” means a person who has been charged with the commission of a sexual assault or a juvenile who has been charged in juvenile court with being a delinquent as a result of actions that would constitute a sexual assault.

“*Authorized representative*” means an individual authorized by the victim to request an HIV test of a convicted or alleged offender who is any of the following:

1. The parent, guardian, or custodian of the victim if the victim is a minor.
2. The physician of the victim.
3. The victim counselor or person requested by the victim who is authorized to provide the counseling required pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22.
4. The victim’s spouse.
5. The victim’s legal counsel.

“*Convicted offender*” means a person convicted of a sexual assault or a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent for an act of sexual assault.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Division*” means the crime victims assistance division of the office of the attorney general.

“*HIV*” means the human immunodeficiency virus identified as the causative agent of AIDS.

“*HIV test*” means a positive result for the HIV antibody, a positive result for HIV nucleic acid, a positive result for p24 antigen, or a positive result for HIV virus isolation.

“*Petitioner*” means a person who is the victim of a sexual assault which resulted in alleged significant exposure, or the parent, guardian, or custodian of a victim if the victim is a minor, for whom the county attorney files a petition with the district court to require the convicted offender to undergo an HIV test.

“*Sexual assault*” means sexual abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 709.1, or any other sexual offense by which a victim has allegedly had sufficient contact with a convicted or an alleged offender to be deemed a significant exposure.



“*Significant exposure*” means contact of the victim’s ruptured or broken skin or mucous membranes with the blood or body fluids, other than tears, saliva, or perspiration, of the convicted or alleged offender. “Significant exposure” is presumed to have occurred when there is a showing that there was penetration of the convicted or alleged offender’s penis into the victim’s vagina or anus, contact between the mouth and genitalia, or contact between the genitalia of the convicted or alleged offender and the genitalia or anus of the victim.

“*Victim*” means a petitioner or a person who is the victim of a sexual assault which resulted in significant exposure, or the parent, guardian, or custodian of such a victim if the victim is a minor, for whom the victim or the peace officer files an application for a search warrant to require the alleged offender to undergo an HIV test. “Victim” includes an alleged victim.

“*Victim counselor*” means a person who is engaged in a crime victim center as defined in Iowa Code section 236A.1, who is certified as a counselor by the crime victim center, and who has completed at least 20 hours of training provided by the Iowa coalition against sexual assault or a similar agency.

**641—11.72(709B) HIV test—convicted or alleged sexual assault offender.**

**11.72(1)** Unless a petitioner chooses to be represented by private counsel, the county attorney shall represent the victim’s interest in all proceedings under Iowa Code chapter 709B.

**11.72(2)** If a person is convicted of sexual assault or adjudicated delinquent for an act of sexual assault, the county attorney, if requested by the petitioner, shall petition the court for an order requiring the convicted offender to submit to an HIV test, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

*a.* The sexual assault for which the offender was convicted or adjudicated delinquent included sufficient contact between the victim and the convicted offender to be deemed a significant exposure pursuant to 641—11.71(709B).

*b.* The authorized representative of the petitioner, the county attorney, or the court sought to obtain written informed consent to the testing from the convicted offender.

*c.* Written informed consent was not provided by the convicted offender.

**11.72(3)** If a person is an alleged offender, the county attorney, if requested by the victim, shall make application to the court for the issuance of a search warrant, in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 808, for the purpose of requiring the alleged offender to submit to an HIV test, if all of the following conditions are met:

*a.* The applicant states that the victim believes that the sexual assault for which the alleged offender is charged included sufficient contact between the victim and the alleged offender to be deemed a significant exposure pursuant to 641—11.71(709B) and states the factual basis for the belief that a significant exposure exists.

*b.* The authorized representative of the victim, the county attorney, or the court sought to obtain written informed consent to the testing from the alleged offender.

*c.* Written informed consent was not provided by the alleged offender.

**11.72(4)** Upon receipt of the petition or application, the court shall:

*a.* Prior to the scheduling of a hearing, refer the victim for counseling by a victim counselor or a person requested by the victim who is authorized to provide the counseling required pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22, regarding the nature, reliability and significance of the HIV test and of any test results of the convicted offender. The counselor shall have a certificate of attendance from the department of public health-sponsored workshop on HIV serologic test counseling.

*b.* Schedule a hearing to be held as soon as is practicable.

*c.* Cause written notice to be served on the convicted or alleged offender who is the subject of the proceeding, in accordance with the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure relating to the service of original notice, or if the convicted or alleged offender is represented by legal counsel, provide written notice to the convicted or alleged offender and the convicted or alleged offender’s legal counsel.

*d.* Provide for the appointment of legal counsel for a convicted or alleged offender if the convicted or alleged offender desires but is financially unable to employ counsel.

*e.* Furnish legal counsel with copies of the petition or application, written informed consent, if obtained, and copies of all other documents related to the petition or application, including, but not limited to, the charges and orders.

**11.72(5)** A hearing under these rules shall be conducted in an informal manner consistent with orderly procedure and in accordance with the Iowa Rules of Evidence.

*a.* The hearing shall be limited in scope to the review of questions of fact only as to the issue of whether the sexual assault for which the offender was convicted or adjudicated delinquent or for which the alleged offender was charged provided sufficient contact between the victim and the convicted or alleged offender to be deemed a significant exposure, and to questions of law.

*b.* In determining whether the contact should be deemed a significant exposure for a convicted offender, the court shall base the determination on the testimony presented during the proceedings on the sexual assault charge, the minutes of the testimony or other evidence included in the court record, or if a plea of guilty was entered, based upon the complaint or upon testimony provided during the hearing. In determining whether the contact should be deemed a significant exposure for an alleged offender, the court shall base the determination on the application and the factual basis provided in the application for the belief of the applicant that a significant exposure exists.

*c.* The victim may testify at the hearing, but shall not be compelled to testify. The court shall not consider the refusal of a victim to testify at the hearing as material to the court's decision regarding issuance of an order or search warrant requiring testing.

*d.* The hearing shall be in camera unless the convicted or alleged offender and the petitioner or victim agree to a hearing in open court and the court approves. The report of the hearing proceedings shall be sealed and no report of the proceeding shall be released to the public, except with the permission of all parties and the approval of the court.

*e.* Stenographic notes or electronic or mechanical recording shall be taken of all court hearings unless waived by the parties.

**11.72(6)** Following the hearing, the court shall require a convicted or alleged offender to undergo an HIV test only if the petitioner or victim proves all of the following by a preponderance of evidence.

*a.* The sexual assault constituted a significant exposure.

*b.* An authorized representative of the petitioner, the county attorney, or the court sought to obtain written informed consent from the convicted or alleged offender.

*c.* Written informed consent was not provided by the convicted or alleged offender.

**11.72(7)** A convicted offender who is required to undergo an HIV test may appeal to the court for review of questions of law only, but may appeal questions of fact if the findings of fact are clearly erroneous.

**641—11.73(709B) Medical examination costs.** The cost of a medical examination for the purpose of gathering evidence and the cost of treatment for the purpose of preventing venereal disease shall be paid from the victim compensation fund as established in Iowa Code chapter 709B, and 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2527, section 55. Information is available from the department of justice, crime victim assistance program, telephone (515)281-5044.

**641—11.74(709B) Testing, reporting, and counseling—penalties.**

**11.74(1)** The physician or other practitioner who orders the test of a convicted or alleged offender for HIV under Iowa Code chapter 709B shall disclose the results of the test to the convicted or alleged offender, and to the victim counselor or a person requested by the victim who is authorized to provide the counseling required pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22, who shall disclose the results to the petitioner.

**11.74(2)** All testing under this chapter shall be accompanied by pretest and posttest counseling as required under Iowa Code section 141.22. The department of public health may be contacted for brochures that may assist in meeting the requirements of Iowa Code section 141.22.

**11.74(3)** Subsequent testing arising out of the same incident of exposure shall be conducted in accordance with the procedural and confidentiality requirements of 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B).

**11.74(4)** Results of a test performed under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B), except as provided in subrule 11.74(6), shall be disclosed only to the physician or other practitioner who orders the test of the convicted or alleged offender, the convicted or alleged offender, the victim, the victim counselor or person requested by the victim who is authorized to provide the counseling required pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22, the physician of the victim if requested by the victim, the parent, guardian, or custodian of the victim, if the victim is a minor, and the county attorney who filed the petition for the HIV testing under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B), who may use the results to file charges of criminal transmission of HIV. Results of a test performed under these rules shall not be disclosed to any other person without the written, informed consent of the convicted or alleged offender. A person to whom the results of a test have been disclosed under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B) is subject to the confidentiality provision of Iowa Code section 141.23, and shall not disclose the results to another person except as authorized by Iowa Code section 141.23, subsection 1.

**11.74(5)** If HIV testing is ordered under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B), the court shall also order periodic testing of the convicted offender during the period of incarceration, probation, or parole or of the alleged offender during a period of six months following the initial test if the physician or other practitioner who ordered the initial test of the convicted or alleged offender certifies that, based upon prevailing scientific opinion regarding the maximum period during which the results of an HIV test may be negative for a person after being HIV-infected, additional testing is necessary to determine whether the convicted or alleged offender was HIV-infected at the time the sexual assault or alleged sexual assault was perpetrated. The results of the test conducted pursuant to subrule 11.74(6) shall be released only to the physician or other practitioner who orders the test of the convicted or alleged offender, the convicted or alleged offender, the victim counselor or person requested by the victim who is authorized to provide the counseling required pursuant to Iowa Code section 141.22, who shall disclose the results to the petitioner, the physician of the victim if requested by the victim and the county attorney who may use the results as evidence in the prosecution of the sexual assault or in the prosecution of the offense of criminal transmission of HIV.

**11.74(6)** The court shall not consider the disclosure of an alleged offender's serostatus to an alleged victim, prior to conviction, as a basis for a reduced plea or reduced sentence.

**11.74(7)** The fact that an HIV test was performed under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B) and the results of the tests shall not be included in the convicted offender's medical or criminal record unless otherwise included in department of corrections records.

**11.74(8)** The fact that an HIV test was performed under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B) and the results of the test shall not be used as a basis for further prosecution of a convicted offender in relation to the incident which is the subject of the testing, to enhance punishments, or to influence sentencing.

**11.74(9)** If the serologic status of a convicted offender, which is conveyed to the victim, is based upon an HIV test other than a test which is authorized as a result of the procedures established in 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B), legal protections which attach to such testing shall be the same as those which attach to an initial test under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B), and the rights to a prediscovery hearing and to appeal provided under 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2527, section 35, shall apply.

**11.74(10)** HIV testing required under 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B) shall be conducted by the state hygienic laboratory.

**11.74(11)** Notwithstanding the provision of these rules requiring initial testing, if a petition is filed with the court under 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2527, section 35, requesting an order for testing and the order is granted, and if a test has previously been performed on the convicted offender while under the control of the department of corrections, the test results shall be provided in lieu of the performance of an initial test of the convicted offender, in accordance with 641—11.70(709B) to 641—11.74(709B).

**11.74(12)** Test results shall not be disclosed to a convicted offender who elects against disclosure.

**11.74(13)** In addition to the counseling received by a victim, referral to appropriate health care and support services shall be provided. Referral information is available at state alternate test sites.

Alternate test site information is available from the Iowa department of public health, STD/HIV prevention program, telephone (515)281-4936.

**11.74(14)** In addition to persons to whom disclosure of the results of a convicted or alleged offender's HIV test results is authorized under these rules, the victim may also disclose the results to the victim's spouse, persons with whom the victim has engaged in vaginal, anal, or oral intercourse subsequent to the sexual assault, or members of the victim's family within the third degree of consanguinity.

**11.74(15)** A person to whom disclosure of a convicted offender's HIV test results is authorized under these rules shall not disclose the results to any other person for whom disclosure is not authorized under these rules. A person who intentionally or recklessly makes an unauthorized disclosure in violation of this subrule is subject to a civil penalty of \$1000. The attorney general or the attorney general's designee may maintain a civil action to enforce these rules. Proceedings maintained under this subrule shall provide for the anonymity of the test subject, and all documentation shall be maintained in a confidential manner.

These rules are intended to implement 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2527, and 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2369.

**641—11.75 to 11.79** Reserved.

#### HIV HOME COLLECTION

**641—11.80(126) Purpose.** The purpose of these rules is to implement Iowa Code section 126.25(1) as amended by 1997 Iowa Acts, Senate File 300.

**641—11.81(126) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

"*CLIA*" means the Clinical Laboratories Improvement Act as administered by the Health Care Financing Administration.

"*FDA*" means the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"*HIV*" means the human immunodeficiency virus identified as the causative agent of AIDS.

"*HIV home collection kit*" means a product for human immunodeficiency virus testing that provides for the specimen to be collected by an individual and then submitted to a laboratory, for determination of test results.

"*HIV home testing kit*" means a product for human immunodeficiency virus testing that provides for specimen collection and determination of test results by an individual without the utilization of a laboratory.

"*Laboratory*" means a laboratory meeting the CLIA requirements for HIV testing.

"*Specimen*" means a human body fluid or tissue sample.

**641—11.82(126) HIV home testing kit.** An HIV home testing kit shall not be advertised for sale, offered for sale, or sold in this state.

**641—11.83(126) HIV home collection kit.** An HIV home collection kit approved by the FDA may be advertised for sale, offered for sale, or sold in this state.

#### AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ADAP)

**641—11.84(141A) Definitions.** For purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

"*ADAP advisory committee*" means the committee appointed by the bureau of disease prevention and immunization to provide advice and technical assistance to the department regarding the ADAP program.

"*AIDS*" means acquired immune deficiency syndrome as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*“AIDS drug assistance program”* or *“ADAP”* means the AIDS drug assistance program administered by the bureau of disease prevention and immunization within the department.

*“Bureau”* means the bureau of disease prevention and immunization within the department.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Family income”* means the combined gross earned and unearned income of all individuals within the family unit.

*“Family unit”* means a group of individuals residing together who are related by birth, marriage, or adoption; or an individual who does not reside with any other individual to whom the individual is related by birth, marriage, or adoption.

*“HIV”* means the human immunodeficiency virus identified as the causative agent of AIDS.

*“Iowa AIDS ADAP formulary”* means the list of drugs approved for use in the ADAP program by the bureau upon recommendation of the ADAP advisory committee.

**641—11.85(141A) Purpose.** The AIDS drug assistance program is a state-administered program that provides certain HIV/AIDS medications to eligible low-income individuals diagnosed with HIV or AIDS if adequate funding is available for administration of the program. The AIDS drug assistance program is authorized under Title II of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act. The AIDS drug assistance program will cease to provide medications when available funding is exhausted or terminated. ADAP is not an entitlement program and does not create a right to assistance.

**641—11.86(141A) Eligibility requirements.**

**11.86(1)** An applicant is eligible to participate in ADAP if the applicant:

- a. Applies for enrollment in ADAP on a form provided by the department;
- b. Has no or inadequate health insurance to cover the cost of the drugs that are or may become available from ADAP;
- c. Is not fully covered under the Iowa Medicaid program;
- d. Has an annual gross family income that is less than or equal to 200 percent of the poverty level as determined by the most recent federal poverty guidelines published annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the size of the household (this income shall be determined after a \$500 work-related deduction is deducted from the monthly gross salary of an employed person with HIV/AIDS);
- e. Has liquid assets, not including major residence, household furnishings, and one vehicle, valued at less than \$10,000;
- f. Has a medical diagnosis of HIV infection or AIDS or is an unborn infant or an infant under 18 months of age who has an HIV-infected mother; and
- g. Is a resident of Iowa.

**11.86(2)** For purposes of paragraph 11.86(1) “d,” an individual may report annual family income by using actual family income for the most recent 12 months or by using estimated annual family income determined by multiplying the current monthly family income by 12.

**641—11.87(141A) Enrollment process.**

**11.87(1)** The department shall review each completed application and shall determine enrollment based upon applicant eligibility, the date on which the application was completed, and the availability of funds. When the department determines that an applicant is eligible for enrollment, the applicant may be enrolled for 12 months commencing with the date of the determination or may be enrolled for a shorter time period at the discretion of the department.

**11.87(2)** An applicant shall provide the department with all requested information and shall execute any consent forms or releases of information necessary for the department to verify eligibility.

**11.87(3)** The department shall review eligibility annually after enrollment unless one of the following events occurs within the 12-month period to end eligibility:

- a. The enrolled individual dies;

- b.* The enrolled individual is determined eligible and enrolled to fully receive medical services through a third-party payer;
- c.* The enrolled individual's annual family income increases to an amount above 200 percent of the poverty level; or
- d.* The enrolled individual establishes residency outside the state of Iowa.

**11.87(4)** An applicant must submit a renewal application form on an annual basis, accompanied by all information requested by the department.

**641—11.88(141A) Distribution requirements.**

**11.88(1)** Enrolled individuals shall be eligible to receive financial assistance only for drugs that:

- a.* Have received Food and Drug Administration approval to treat HIV or prevent the deterioration of health due to HIV, coinfections or opportunistic infections; and
- b.* Are on the Iowa AIDS ADAP formulary.

**11.88(2)** The primary care provider shall write each drug prescription for an applicant or enrolled individual.

**11.88(3)** The enrolled individual must obtain the approved drug from the department's contracted pharmacy unless an exception to this requirement is granted by the department.

**641—11.89(141A) ADAP waiting list.**

**11.89(1)** If an applicant is eligible for ADAP and sufficient funds are available to provide services to the applicant, the department shall enroll the applicant. If the applicant is eligible for ADAP and sufficient funds are not available to provide services to the applicant, the department shall place the applicant's name on the ADAP waiting list in the order provided for in this rule.

**11.89(2)** The department shall place names on the waiting list in the following order:

- a.* Women who have been diagnosed with HIV infection or AIDS and who are pregnant shall be placed on the waiting list with priority over all other applicants.
- b.* Applicants who are already on medications shall be placed on the waiting list with priority over all applicants listed in paragraphs "*c*" and "*d*."
- c.* HIV medication naïve patients shall be placed on the waiting list in the following order with priority over all applicants listed in paragraph "*d*":
  - (1) CD4 count of < 200 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> regardless of viral load.
  - (2) New opportunistic (HIV-related) infection or malignancy.
  - (3) Asymptomatic and CD4 count of 200-350 and viral load > 55,000 copies/ml.
  - (4) Asymptomatic and CD4 count of > 350. If viral load is > 55,000, a documented fall in CD4 counts on three measurements of at least 15 percent of first measurement (i.e., 500 on first test must drop to less than or equal to 425).
- d.* All other applicants shall be placed on the waiting list in chronological order based upon the date of receipt of a completed application by the department.

**11.89(3)** To verify that applicants on the waiting list continue to meet ADAP eligibility requirements, the department shall require applicants on the waiting list to submit reapplication forms annually.

**641—11.90(141A) Appeals.** The department shall cause an applicant to be notified of the department's decision to approve or deny an application or to place an applicant on the ADAP waiting list. In the event an applicant is dissatisfied with the department's decision, the applicant may submit a formal appeal in writing to the ADAP advisory committee. Such request shall be delivered in person or shall be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to ADAP Advisory Committee, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. Upon receipt of such an appeal, the ADAP advisory committee shall review the case and issue a written determination within 15 days of receipt of the request. The decision shall refer to the applicant by initials or other nonidentifying means. The ADAP advisory committee's decision shall be final and binding. This appeal process does not constitute a contested case proceeding as defined in Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—11.91(141A) Confidentiality.** The ADAP application and all information received or maintained by the department in connection with the ADAP program shall be considered confidential information in accordance with Iowa Code section 141A.9.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 141A.3(1).

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CHAPTER 12  
APPROVAL OF CONFIRMATORY LABORATORIES FOR  
PRIVATE SECTOR DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE TESTING

**641—12.1(730) Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to describe the procedures that a laboratory must follow to receive approval by the department to conduct confirmatory testing of samples for the detection of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, in employees or prospective employees.

**641—12.2(730) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Alcohol*” means ethanol, isopropanol, or methanol.

“*Alcohol or drug testing*” means analysis of a sample for the purpose of detecting the presence or absence of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, in the sample tested.

“*CLIA*” means Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988.

“*CMS*” means Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS is the federal agency responsible for implementing and administering CLIA regulations.

“*Confirmatory test*” means a test for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, using a testing method as stipulated in rule 641—12.9(730), “Confirmatory testing.”

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Drug*” means a substance considered a controlled substance and included in Schedule I, II, III, IV, or V under the federal Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. Subsections 801 et seq.

“*Employee*” means a person in the service of an employer in this state and includes the employer and any chief executive officer, president, vice president, supervisor, manager, and officer of the employer who is actively involved in the day-to-day operations of the business.

“*Employer*” means a person, firm, company, corporation, labor organization, or employment agency, which has one or more full-time employees employed in the same business, or in or about the same establishment, under any contract of hire, express or implied, oral or written, in this state. “Employer” does not include the state, a political subdivision of the state, including a city, county, or school district, the United States, the United States Postal Service, or a Native American tribe.

“*GC/MS*” means gas chromatography/mass spectrometry.

“*Laboratory*” means a facility inside or outside the state of Iowa approved to conduct confirmatory testing of samples for the detection of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites.

“*Medical review officer*” means a licensed physician, osteopathic physician, chiropractor, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant authorized to practice in any state of the United States, who is responsible for receiving laboratory results generated by an employer’s drug or alcohol testing program, and who has knowledge of substance abuse disorders and has appropriate medical training to interpret and evaluate an individual’s confirmed positive test result together with the individual’s medical history and any other relevant biomedical information.

“*Prospective employee*” means a person who has made application, whether oral or written, to an employer to become an employee.

“*Sample*” means such sample from the human body capable of revealing the presence of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites. However, “sample” does not mean blood except as authorized pursuant to Iowa Code subsection 730.5(7), paragraph “l.” For the purpose of these rules, the substances determined by the department to be samples from the human body capable of accurately and reliably revealing the presence of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, are urine, breath, blood, and saliva.

“*Specimen*” means a part taken from a sample to determine the character of the whole sample.

“*UHL*” means university (state) hygienic laboratory.

**641—12.3(730) Powers and duties.** The department shall be responsible for the following actions:

**12.3(1)** Processing applications from laboratories requesting approval to conduct confirmatory testing pursuant to Iowa Code subsection 730.5(7), paragraph “e.”

**12.3(2)** Developing an application package.

*a.* The package shall be provided to all laboratories requesting approval to conduct confirmatory testing for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites.

*b.* The package shall contain application procedures, a copy of Iowa Code section 730.5, a copy of these administrative rules, a standardized application form and a self-inspection questionnaire.

*c.* The self-inspection questionnaire shall assist the department in assessing the quality of a laboratory's performance as a confirmatory testing laboratory. This questionnaire will comprise the major but not the sole objective criteria used during the initial on-site inspection when conducted by the UHL.

*d.* The package shall be available upon request from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Private Sector Drug Testing Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**12.3(3)** Reviewing each application submitted and determining the adequacy for approval.

**12.3(4)** Designating the UHL to conduct an on-site inspection of each approved confirmatory laboratory at least once every two years. Inspection may be waived by the director if the laboratory has been inspected and accredited for forensic urine drug testing by the College of American Pathologists, or if the laboratory has been inspected and certified, licensed, or approved to conduct confirmatory testing by another state whose requirements are at least equal to Iowa's.

**12.3(5)** Maintaining and providing upon request an updated list of all approved confirmatory laboratories.

**12.3(6)** Providing written notice of approval and assigning an expiration date.

**641—12.4(730) Application procedures and requirements.** Laboratories desiring to conduct confirmatory testing for Iowa's employers shall apply to the department for approval. Each laboratory requesting Iowa approval to conduct confirmatory testing shall provide the following to the department:

**12.4(1)** A completed laboratory survey checklist on a form provided by the department.

**12.4(2)** A completed self-inspection questionnaire provided by the department that includes:

*a.* A list of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, being tested.

*b.* Copies of the two most recent and relevant graded proficiency test reports from a recognized proficiency testing program.

*c.* Personnel qualifications for all staff involved in the technical and administrative management of the alcohol or drug testing laboratory.

*d.* Copies of the forms used to report test results.

*e.* Chain of custody protocols and copies of the chain of custody forms used.

*f.* Sample collection procedures.

*g.* Confirmation procedures.

**12.4(3)** Proof of enrollment in a recognized proficiency testing program. Recognized programs include those approved by CMS.

**12.4(4)** Acceptable performance over a 12-month period in all appropriate areas of proficiency testing for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, shall be documented and maintained on an ongoing basis. Acceptable performance is as follows:

*a.* Initial approval shall require at least 80 percent accuracy in the last two graded proficiency test cycles with no false positive results.

*b.* Renewal shall require at least 80 percent accuracy each year on graded proficiency surveys with no false positive results.

**641—12.5(730) Requirements of laboratory personnel involved in confirmatory testing for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites.**

**12.5(1)** The laboratory director shall be a pathologist or doctoral level individual who qualifies as a clinical laboratory director under CLIA regulations.

**12.5(2)** Supervisors of analysts shall possess at least a bachelor of science degree in chemistry, medical technology, or comparable education and two years of analytical alcohol or drug testing experience. Supervisors must also have training in the theory and practice of laboratory procedures

and an understanding of quality control concepts. Annual verification of the supervisor's skills must be documented by the laboratory director.

**12.5(3)** Analysts shall possess the necessary training and skills for assigned tasks. These individuals shall possess at least two years of college education in the physical or biological sciences. At a minimum, analysts shall be graduates of a medical laboratory technician program which is recognized by the department or have at least two years of college with a minimum of nine semester hours in chemistry.

**12.5(4)** Laboratory directors, supervisors and analysts involved in alcohol or drug testing shall annually complete at least one in-service continuing education program related to alcohol or drug testing. Continuing education programs include formal training programs where continuing education units are awarded, informal in-house training programs, and relevant correspondence courses. Dates, titles and subject matter for each completed course shall be documented and the information shall be available for review.

**12.5(5)** The following information about each of the laboratory staff involved in alcohol or drug testing shall be retained for two years from date of termination and shall be available for review.

- a. Résumé of training and experience.
- b. Certificate or license.
- c. Job description.

**641—12.6(730) Quality assurance program and procedure manual requirements.** All approved confirmatory laboratories shall have a written quality assurance program and a procedure manual which encompasses all aspects of the alcohol or drug testing process.

**12.6(1)** Approved laboratories shall have written procedures for performing alcohol or drug testing which shall include the following:

- a. Sample acquisition.
- b. Chain of custody.
- c. Sample and report security.
- d. Test performance.
- e. Reporting of results.
- f. Confidentiality.

**12.6(2)** The quality assurance program and procedure manuals shall be available for review during any on-site inspection.

**12.6(3)** Approved laboratories shall review their performance in each of the above areas every 12 months.

**12.6(4)** Approved laboratories are responsible for developing the criteria necessary to establish and maintain an effective quality assurance program for confirmatory testing of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites.

**641—12.7(730) Analytical quality control.** The number and position of control specimens tested within a batch and the number of calibrators used for each batch of specimens shall be consistent with generally accepted laboratory practice for the methodology used to conduct confirmatory testing.

**12.7(1)** Positive and negative controls shall be used in testing each batch of specimens.

**12.7(2)** Procedures shall be implemented and documented to ensure that carryover from a positive specimen does not contaminate other subsequent specimens in that batch.

**12.7(3)** Approved laboratories shall develop criteria for the detection and rejection of adulterated samples.

**641—12.8(730) Sample security and confidentiality of test results.** Samples and reports must never be left unattended or unsecured.

**12.8(1)** Complete chain of custody documentation shall be maintained for each sample from the time of collection from the employee or prospective employee to the time the sample is discarded. Each time

the sample is handled or transferred, the individual receiving the sample, the time and date of transfer, and the recipient or destination of the sample shall be documented.

**12.8(2)** If the first portion of the sample yielded a confirmed positive test result, the laboratory shall store the second portion of that sample until receipt of a confirmed negative test result or for a period of at least 45 calendar days following the completion of the initial confirmatory testing. Urine and blood samples shall be retained in secure storage at freezing temperatures.

**12.8(3)** All samples for which a negative test result was reported shall be disposed of within 5 working days after issuance of the negative test result report.

**641—12.9(730) Confirmatory testing.**

**12.9(1)** Reports for alcohol shall be confirmed by gas chromatography, or a test that is recognized by the department as an equivalent test before being reported as positive (or negative).

**12.9(2)** Reports for drugs or their metabolites, other than alcohol, shall not be issued in the absence of confirmation by GC/MS or a scientifically equivalent test approved by the department.

**12.9(3)** Complete chain of custody procedures shall be used for referred samples.

**641—12.10(730) Documentation of the confirmatory testing process.** The following documents shall be retained for at least two years and, if requested, made available for inspection.

**12.10(1)** Chain of custody documentation shall be maintained for each sample tested with the identification of the sample, the person(s) handling and testing the sample, the storage of the sample, and the eventual disposal of the sample.

**12.10(2)** Documents regarding the following: analytical information for each batch assayed; instrument identification; calibration records; identification of reagent lot numbers and expiration dates; quality control results; and any other pertinent information.

**12.10(3)** Copies of proficiency testing results for ongoing monitoring and evaluation of laboratory performance. Approved confirmatory laboratories inspected by the UHL shall submit copies of proficiency testing results to the UHL or shall ensure that proficiency testing programs submit copies of proficiency testing results directly to the UHL on their behalf.

**12.10(4)** Current procedure manuals must be maintained for all procedures.

**12.10(5)** An annual review of manuals shall be performed and documented. Alterations and additions to procedures shall be incorporated into manuals and approved by the laboratory director before implementation.

**641—12.11(730) Reporting of confirmed positive test results to the medical review officer.**

**12.11(1)** Each report shall identify the alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, being tested with the results of positive/negative or detected/nondetected clearly recorded.

**12.11(2)** Approved confirmatory laboratories shall have available a written summary of the established sensitivity levels used for the confirmatory tests conducted for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites. However, this information need not be issued with each report.

**12.11(3)** Approved confirmatory laboratories shall have written procedures for making both written and telephone reports to the medical review officer.

**12.11(4)** All test results must be reviewed and signed by the laboratory director, or a qualified designee, before being reported to the medical review officer.

**641—12.12(730) Reporting requirements to department.** Pursuant to Iowa Code subsection 730.5(16), approved confirmatory laboratories shall file a report with the department by March 1 of each year. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Private Sector Drug Testing Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The report for the state of Iowa shall include the number of positive and negative drug or alcohol test results for the previous calendar year for the following if available to the laboratory:

1. Employees who work in non-safety-sensitive positions,
2. Employees who work in safety-sensitive positions,

3. Employees during and after completion of drug or alcohol rehabilitation,
4. Employees as a consequence of reasonable suspicion drug or alcohol testing,
5. Prospective employees,
6. As a consequence of federal law or regulation, or by law enforcement,
7. As a consequence of accident investigation in the workplace,
8. The types of drugs which were found in the positive drug tests,
9. All significant available demographic factors relating to the positive test pool, and
10. Total number of positive and negative drug or alcohol test results for the previous calendar year for all employees and prospective employees who were tested.

**641—12.13(730) Approval, renewal, and inspection fees.** At the time of initial application and each year thereafter, laboratories shall remit to the department a fee in an amount sufficient to reimburse the department for expenses incurred in administering the confirmatory laboratory approval program. All fees shall be made payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health and are as follows:

**12.13(1) Approval.** An administration fee of \$600 is required for new applications, including applicants seeking approval through reciprocity.

**12.13(2) Renewal.** An administration fee of \$300 is required to renew laboratory approval.

**12.13(3) Inspections by the UHL.** Reimbursement for actual on-site inspection and related expenses shall be assessed to each laboratory after the completion of each inspection. Expenses related to the on-site inspection shall be reimbursed to the UHL. These expenses shall reflect the actual cost incurred for personnel time and travel expenses consistent with state of Iowa travel reimbursement policies and procedures. These expenses shall also include the time necessary for UHL inspection staff to:

- a. Review the application and related laboratory materials in preparation for the on-site inspection,
- b. Generate the written laboratory report regarding inspection findings,
- c. Conduct postinspection follow-up activities, if any, and
- d. Review proficiency test results on an ongoing basis.

**641—12.14(730) Renewal.** Laboratory approval to continue confirmatory testing for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, must be renewed annually. The request for renewal shall include the following:

1. Name and address of laboratory.
2. Renewal fee.
3. Information that reflects any changes that occurred during the current approval period.
4. Copy of supporting documents if accredited for forensic urine drug testing by the College of American Pathologists, or if certified, licensed, or approved through reciprocity.

**641—12.15(730) Reciprocity.**

**12.15(1)** Confirmatory laboratories certified, licensed, or approved by another state to conduct testing for alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, may request Iowa approval through reciprocity by:

- a. Completing and submitting the department's application package, and
- b. Including a copy of their current certificate, license, or approval document from the state whose requirements are at least equal to Iowa's.

**12.15(2)** Laboratories approved through reciprocity that lose their certification, license or approval from another state shall notify the department within five working days.

**641—12.16(730) Changes during approval periods.** The following changes that occur during an approval period shall be submitted to the department within five working days from the date the change took place:

1. Change in laboratory director.
2. Change of address.
3. Change in supervisor.

4. Change in confirmation procedures.
5. Change in proficiency testing program.
6. Addition or subtraction of alcohol or other drugs, or their metabolites, being tested.
7. Change of ownership.
8. Loss of accreditation for forensic urine drug testing by the College of American Pathologists.

**641—12.17(730) Enforcement.** Upon a determination of noncompliance by the director that these rules have been violated, the director may immediately move to suspend, modify, or revoke any approval issued under these rules.

**641—12.18(730) Denial, suspension, modification or revocation of approval.** Any one of the following can result in denial, suspension, modification or revocation of approval. Failure of the confirmatory laboratory to:

1. Remain in compliance with the requirements of these rules.
2. Provide required documentation, including documentation of laboratory personnel and proficiency test results.
3. Maintain confidentiality.
4. Meet proficiency testing criteria.
5. Provide correct information.
6. Satisfactorily complete the two most recent and relevant graded proficiency test reports from a recognized proficiency testing program (for initial approval).
7. Correctly represent facts on a self-inspection questionnaire or other application documents.
8. Pass an on-site inspection conducted by the College of American Pathologists for forensic urine drug testing, or by another state whose requirements are at least equal to Iowa's, or by the UHL.

**641—12.19(730) Restoration of approval.** A confirmatory laboratory whose approval has been suspended, modified, or revoked may be reinstated within 90 days following the receipt of the following:

1. Documentation of actions that correct the reasons for suspension, modification, or revocation.
2. Documentation of a successful on-site inspection, if necessary, conducted by the College of American Pathologists for forensic urine drug testing, or by another state whose requirements are at least equal to Iowa's, or by the UHL.

**641—12.20(730) Appeals process.**

**12.20(1) Denial.** Laboratories shall receive written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting forth the reason(s) for denial. The adverse action shall become effective 30 days after receipt of the notice unless the applicant, within 30 days, gives written notice to the department requesting a hearing. In that event, the notice shall be deemed to be suspended.

**12.20(2) Suspension, modification, or revocation.** Confirmatory laboratories shall receive written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting forth the reason(s) for suspension, modification, or revocation. The adverse action shall become effective 30 days after receipt of the notice unless the aggrieved party, within 30 days, gives written notice to the department requesting a hearing. In that event, the notice shall be deemed to be suspended.

**12.20(3) Contested cases.** The procedures for contested cases as set out in Iowa Code chapter 17A and the rules adopted by the department in 641—Chapter 173 shall be followed in all cases where proper notice has been made to the department of the intent to formally contest any denial, suspension, modification, or revocation of approval.

**641—12.21(730) Complaints.** The department shall accept complaints of alleged problems relating to confirmatory laboratory procedures. The information shall state in as specific a manner as possible the basis for the complaint. The complaint shall be presented in writing, in person or by telephone to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Private Sector Drug Testing Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

Within 20 working days of the receipt of the complaint, the department shall communicate with the laboratory director for initial evaluation of the specific matters alleged in the complaint. The complainant shall be informed of the results of the action taken by the department.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 730.5 as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 299.

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CHAPTER 14  
RESIDENTIAL WATER TREATMENT

**641—14.1(714) Purpose.** The purpose of these rules is to establish procedures for the testing and sale of residential water treatment systems. These rules are established pursuant to Iowa Code section 714.16, which prohibits false or deceptive representations of reducing the concentration of health-related contaminants in drinking water by a person selling a residential water treatment system in Iowa.

**641—14.2(714) Applicability.** The provisions contained within apply to the seller or manufacturer of any residential water treatment system offered for sale, lease, or rent for which representations of reducing health-related contaminants are made.

**641—14.3(714) Definitions.**

*“Annual registration”* means the renewal of registration of a water treatment system for years subsequent to the initial registration.

*“Buyer”* means the person to whom the water treatment system is being sold, leased or rented.

*“Consumer information pamphlet”* means a publication which explains water quality, health effects, quality expectations for drinking water, and the effectiveness and functions of water treatment systems.

*“Consummation of sale”* means the completion of the act of selling, leasing, or renting. Where the water treatment system is ordered by telephone or mail, “consummation of sale” means delivery.

*“Department”* means the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

*“Health-related contaminant”* means any particulate, chemical, microbiological, or radiological substance in water which has a potentially adverse health effect and for which a maximum contaminant level (MCL) has been specified in the national primary drinking water regulations.

*“Initial registration”* means the first registration of a water treatment system after certification by an approved third-party testing agency.

*“Label”* means the written, printed, or graphic matter attached to or printed on the water treatment system so it is not likely to be separated during normal shipping and handling and can only be removed with a purposeful effort by the owner.

*“Manufacturer’s performance data sheet”* means a manufacturer’s booklet, document, or other printed material containing, at a minimum, the information required pursuant to Iowa Code section 714.16.

*“National Sanitation Foundation (NSF)”* means the National Sanitation Foundation, 3475 Plymouth Road, P.O. Box 1468, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106.

*“Performance testing”* means (1) the third-party laboratory testing of a water treatment system in accordance with the performance testing protocol or (2) an audit of manufacturers’ facilities and data by third-party testing agencies.

*“Seller”* means the person offering the water treatment system for sale, lease, or rent.

*“State hygienic laboratory”* means the University Hygienic Laboratory, University of Iowa, Oakdale Campus, Iowa City, Iowa 52242.

*“Temporary registration”* means the registration of a water treatment system between the enactment of these rules and July 1, 1990, during which a testing protocol has not been approved for the water treatment system or the water treatment system has not been tested and certified by an approved third-party testing agency.

*“Third-party testing agency”* means an independent laboratory which is authorized by the department to conduct performance testing and is not wholly or partially owned or managed by the manufacturer of the water treatment system to either conduct performance laboratory testing of water treatment systems or conduct laboratory audits of manufacturers’ facilities and data.

*“Water treatment system”* means a water treatment device or assembly for which a claim is made that it will improve the quality of public or private drinking water by reducing one or more health-related

contaminants through mechanical, physical, chemical or biological processes or combinations of the processes. Each model of a water treatment system shall be deemed a distinct water treatment system.

**641—14.4(714) Performance testing.** All water treatment systems must be performance tested in accordance with approved protocols by a third-party testing agency.

**14.4(1) Approval of performance testing protocols.** State hygienic laboratory must approve testing protocols for the performance testing of water treatment systems. A manufacturer or seller must submit a performance testing protocol to the laboratory for review and approval. Where applicable, the information must include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

*a.* Name, address and telephone number of the submitter or official representative.  
*b.* The brand name and model number of each water treatment system requiring performance testing for verification of health-related claims.  
*c.* A detailed drawing, with part numbers identifying each component of the water treatment system.

*d.* Identification of the water treatment system materials which are in direct contact with the water.  
*e.* Identification of the contaminants claimed to be reduced by the submitter's design.  
*f.* A detailed description of the performance testing protocol or the National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) Testing Protocol contained within the NSF Standard reference number applicable to the submitter's water treatment system. The performance testing protocol shall include the following conditions and procedures:

(1) A statement clarifying if the water treatment system would be advertised or sold for treatment of water from private wells, public water supplies, or both.

(2) Each water treatment system shall be tested to at least 120 percent of its capacity.

(3) The water used for the performance testing shall be characterized as to its key parameters, i.e., pH, hardness, total dissolved solids (TDS), turbidity, and others as necessary for the evaluation of the water treatment system's performance in the treatment of water from either private wells or public water supply systems, or both.

(4) Procedures shall be included to demonstrate that the test rig without the water treatment system in place has no effect on the water characteristics or on the concentration of any challenge material.

(5) The temperature of the challenge water must be maintained at 20 degrees Celsius plus or minus 2 degrees Celsius throughout the test.

(6) For plumbed-in water treatment systems, the test pressure must be 55 pounds per square inch (PSI) plus or minus 5 PSI during the challenge period.

(7) Samples taken from the influent challenge water immediately prior to the water treatment system being tested are analyzed for the specific challenge material or surrogate deemed suitable by the University Hygienic Laboratory (UHL). Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved methods of analysis, where appropriate, are required.

(8) For water treatment systems challenged to 120 percent of capacity, samples shall be collected after the passage of 10 unit volumes of test water without the specific challenge material present and at least 10, 50, 100, and 120 percent of capacity with the specific challenge material present. Additional samples may be collected and included in the test report.

(9) Influent and effluent samples collected for volatile organic compound (VOC) analyses must comply with acceptable methods pertaining to storage and analysis. Samples must be collected in glass vials with Teflon-lined cap septa in accordance with standard EPA protocol.

*g.* Proposals for modifications or additions to the above requirements must be submitted with the performance testing protocol. The state hygienic laboratory shall determine if the modifications are appropriate and reasonable for the water treatment system to be tested. The state hygienic laboratory may approve using a single testing protocol for a number of water treatment models which are based on the same treatment technology.

**14.4(2) Reserved.**

**641—14.5(714) Approval of third-party testing agencies.** The department must approve third-party testing agencies.

**14.5(1) *Testing laboratory.*** A third-party testing agency will be approved for independent laboratory testing based upon:

*a.* The submission of a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency laboratory certification under the Safe Drinking Water Act for the claimed contaminant(s) and a review by the department of the testing agency documentation of the instrumentation, equipment and experience of personnel to conduct the required physical testing of the water treatment system according to the approved performance testing protocol, or

*b.* A written verification to the department that the testing agency has the capability to perform the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved methods of analysis for the claimed contaminants and demonstration that the agency has:

(1) The essential instrumentation, equipment and experience of personnel to conduct the required testing of the water treatment system according to the approved testing protocol, and

(2) A satisfactory quality assurance program and demonstrated performance in an approved proficiency testing program for the claimed contaminants.

**14.5(2) *Testing auditor.*** A third-party testing agency may be approved for the auditing of manufacturers' data and facilities based upon:

*a.* Written description of the agency's qualifications and experience in performing laboratory audits and laboratory analysis.

*b.* Written verification that U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or equivalent procedures for auditing quality control of laboratories are followed in performing an audit of a manufacturer's testing of a water treatment system.

*c.* The submission of a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency laboratory certification under the Safe Drinking Water Act, or

*d.* A written verification to the department that the testing agency has the capability to perform the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved methods of analysis for the claimed contaminants and demonstration that the agency has:

(1) The essential instrumentation, equipment and experience of personnel to conduct the required testing of the water treatment system according to the approved testing protocol, and

(2) A satisfactory quality assurance program and demonstrated performance in an approved proficiency testing program for the claimed contaminants.

**14.5(3) *Certification by third-party testing agency.*** Upon completion of the laboratory performance testing or auditing, the third-party testing agency shall submit to the department in writing the following:

*a. Testing laboratory.*

(1) A copy of all test results applicable to the water treatment system tested. A copy of all test results must be maintained by the third-party testing agency for a period of at least two years.

(2) A statement that the testing was conducted in accordance with each provision of the approved testing protocol.

*b. Testing auditor.* Upon completion of an audit of a manufacturer's testing facility, the third-party auditing agency shall submit to the department a record of the audit and a statement that the manufacturer's testing facility did or did not have the capability to perform.

**14.5(4) *Manufacturer's testing approval.*** A manufacturer's test data from tests performed may be approved in lieu of third-party laboratory testing provided that the manufacturer's testing facility and test data are found to be adequate when audited by a qualified third-party testing agency.

**14.5(5) *Certification by manufacturers of testing performed prior to audit evaluations.***

*a.* Prior to third-party audit evaluations, the manufacturer must submit to the department in writing a copy of all test results applicable to the water treatment system tested and a statement that manufacturer's testing was conducted in accordance with each provision of an approved performance testing protocol as outlined in 641—14.4(714).

b. A written verification to the department that the manufacturer's laboratory has the capability to perform the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved methods of analysis for the claimed contaminants and demonstration that the manufacturer has:

- (1) The essential instrumentation, equipment and experience of personnel to conduct the required testing of the water treatment system according to the approved testing protocol, and
- (2) A satisfactory quality assurance program and demonstrated performance in an approved proficiency testing program for the claimed contaminants.

**641—14.6(714) Labeling and manufacturer's performance data sheet.** All water treatment systems must be provided with a label and accompanying manufacturer's performance data sheet to provide the consumer with clear information on the effectiveness of reducing health-related contaminants from typical water found in Iowa public and private water supplies.

**14.6(1) Label.** Each water treatment system must bear a conspicuous and legible label stating, "IMPORTANT NOTICE—Read the manufacturer's performance data sheet."

**14.6(2) Manufacturer's performance data sheet.** The manufacturer's performance data sheet shall be given to the buyer by the seller and shall be signed and dated by the buyer and the seller prior to the consummation of the sale of the water treatment system and retained on file by the seller for a minimum of two years. The manufacturer's performance data sheet shall contain information including, but not limited to:

- a. The name, address, and telephone number of the seller.
- b. The name, brand, or trademark under which the water treatment system is sold, and its model number.
- c. Performance and test data including, but not limited to:
  - (1) The list of contaminants found to be reduced by the water treatment system.
  - (2) The test influent concentration level of each contaminant.
  - (3) The percentage reduction or effluent concentration of each contaminant.
  - (4) The maximum contaminant level (MCL) specified in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's national primary drinking water regulations.
  - (5) The approximate capacity in gallons or the period of time during which the water treatment system is effective in reducing the concentration of contaminants based upon the contaminant influent concentrations used for the performance tests. The claimed volume capacity of a water treatment system needs only to be based upon the claimed contaminant most likely to break through into the effluent during the test period.
  - (6) Where applicable, the flow rate, pressure, and temperature of the water during the performance tests.
- d. The following information must be contained on the performance data sheet or may be referenced to the owner's manual.
  - (1) Installation instructions.
  - (2) Procedures and requirements necessary for the proper operation of the water treatment system including, but not limited to, electrical requirements; maximum and minimum pressure; flow rate; temperature limitations; maintenance requirements; and expected replacement frequencies.
  - (3) The seller's warranty limitations.
  - (4) Non-health-related substances may be listed on the performance data sheet but may not be referred to as contaminants.

**641—14.7(714) Consumer information pamphlet.** A consumer information pamphlet prepared by the department must be given to the buyer by the seller along with the manufacturer's performance data sheet prior to the consummation of the sale of a water treatment system. The consumer information pamphlet may be printed in detail by the manufacturer.

**641—14.8(714) Registration.** All water treatment systems meeting the criteria of these rules shall be registered with the department according to the following schedule.

**14.8(1)** Temporary registration. Each manufacturer of a water treatment system subject to these rules shall within 120 days of the adoption of these rules register all models of applicable water treatment system. Temporary registration shall expire one year after the establishment of an approved testing protocol but no later than July 1, 1990.

To obtain a temporary registration the manufacturer shall submit for each model of a water treatment system the following:

- a. Manufacturer's name, address, telephone number, and contact person.
- b. Name and description of the water treatment system.
- c. Model number.
- d. A list of trade names the system is sold under.
- e. A temporary registration fee of \$30 for each model of a water treatment system subject to these rules.

**14.8(2)** Initial registration. Upon completion of the performance testing required in 641—14.4(714) and upon completion of the labeling and manufacturer's performance data sheet requirements of 641—14.6(714), the manufacturer shall submit the following to the department for each model of water treatment system subject to these rules:

- a. Test results and laboratory certification documents for the water treatment system.
- b. Manufacturer's performance data sheet.
- c. An initial registration fee of \$400 for each model of water treatment system subject to these rules.

**14.8(3)** Annual registration. Beginning July 1, 1990, and after meeting the requirements of initial registration contained in subrule 14.8(2), the manufacturer of a water treatment system subject to these rules shall submit the following to the department between April 1 and June 30 of each calendar year.

- a. Certification that there has been no change in the water treatment system's design since the system was tested during the initial registration process.
- b. Any change in the performance data sheet. Changes must be explained and supported by third-party testing results.
- c. A list of trade names the system is sold under.
- d. An annual registration fee of \$200 for each model of water treatment system subject to these rules.

**14.8(4)** A fee not to exceed \$200 will be paid by the manufacturer directly to the university hygienic laboratory for review of each performance testing protocol submitted under these rules.

**14.8(5)** Third-party testing agency or third-party audit costs and fees necessary for compliance with these rules shall be paid directly by the manufacturer.

**14.8(6)** A fee not to exceed \$200 will be paid directly to the department by third-party agencies for the review process as described in rule 14.5(714).

**641—14.9(714) Penalties.** A seller of a water treatment system or unit violating any provision of these rules shall be subject to civil penalties pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code chapter 714.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 714.16.

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CHAPTER 15  
SWIMMING POOLS AND SPAS

**641—15.1(135I) Applicability.**

**15.1(1)** These rules apply to swimming pools, spas, wading pools, water slides, wave pools, spray pads, and bathhouses connected to swimming pools owned or operated by local or state government, or commercial interests or private entities including, but not limited to, public or private school corporations, hotels, motels, camps, apartments, condominiums, health clubs and country clubs. These rules do not apply to a residential swimming pool or spa that is permanently installed in a single-family dwelling, to a decorative fountain, or to a therapeutic swimming pool or spa which is under the direct supervision of qualified medical personnel.

**15.1(2)** These rules do not apply to a swimming pool or spa operated by a homeowners association representing 72 or fewer dwelling units if the association bylaws, which also apply to a rental agreement relative to any of the dwelling units, include an exemption from the requirements of this chapter, provide for inspection of the swimming pool or spa by an entity other than the department or a local inspection agency, and assume any liability associated with operation of the swimming pool and spa. The association shall notify the department in writing if the association bylaws are amended as above. The inspector designated by the association shall be a certified operator as defined in 15.3(1). A report of the inspection shall be filed with the association secretary and shall be available to any association member on request.

**641—15.2(135I) Scope.** These rules stipulate minimum safety and water quality requirements for the operation of swimming pools and spas; standards for construction; procedures for registration; qualifications for swimming pool and spa inspectors; qualifications for swimming pool and spa operators and lifeguards; and procedures for health departments to provide for the inspection of swimming pools and spas and enforcement of these rules. Swimming pools and spas which are in compliance with these rules must also comply with the requirements of any other applicable federal, state or local laws, rules or ordinances.

**641—15.3(135I) Definitions and abbreviations.**

**15.3(1) Definitions.**

*“Air break”* is a piping arrangement in which a drain from a fixture, appliance or device discharges indirectly into a fixture, receptacle, or interceptor at a point below the flood-level rim of the receptacle.

*“Air gap”* means the unobstructed vertical distance through the free atmosphere between the lowest opening from an inlet pipe and the flood-level rim of a receptacle or floor drain.

*“Board of health”* means a county, city, or district board of health.

*“Body feed”* means the continuous addition of controlled amounts of filtering aid during the operation of a diatomaceous earth filter to maintain a permeable filter cake. This is sometimes referred to as a “slurry feed.”

*“Certified operator”* means a person who has:

1. Successfully completed the Certified Pool/Spa Operator<sup>®</sup> course sanctioned by NSPF, the Aquatic Facility Operator course sanctioned by NRPA, the Professional Pool & Spa Operator course sanctioned by the APSP, the Licensed Aquatic Facility Technician course sanctioned by the American Swimming Pool and Spa Association, or an equivalent course approved by the department; and
2. Been recertified as required by the sanctioning organization; and
3. Obtained the continuing education required by 15.11(2).

*“Combined chlorine”* means nitrogen-chlorine compounds formed by the reaction of a chlorine disinfectant chemical with ammonia and organic nitrogen compounds as measured with a DPD (diethyl-p-phenylene diamine) test kit or as measured by another method approved by the department. Another term for combined chlorine is “chloramines.”

“*Construction*” means the installation of a new swimming pool facility. “Construction” includes modifications to an existing facility which change the total recirculated water volume or the total water surface area by 20 percent or more.

“*Deck*” means a walkway immediately adjacent to a swimming pool.

“*Decorative fountain*” means a basin equipped with water sprays or jets that does not serve primarily as a wading or swimming pool and whose drain is not directly connected to any type of suction device for removing or recirculating the water.

“*Deep water*” means those areas of a swimming pool where the water is more than five feet deep.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Di-chlor*” means sodium dichloro-s-triazinetriene dihydrate. Di-chlor is a form of chlorine that includes cyanuric acid in its formulation.

“*Engineering plans*” means plans and specifications certified in accordance with the rules of the engineering and land surveying examining board or the architectural examining board by an engineer or architect licensed to practice in the state of Iowa.

“*Equalizer*” means an arrangement including a pipe from an opening below the water level in a swimming pool or spa to the body of a skimmer and a normally closed valve at the skimmer body. The arrangement is designed to automatically prevent air from being drawn into the pump when the water level drops below the skimmer inlet.

“*Facility*” means a building, fenced enclosure, or lot where there is at least one swimming pool or spa subject to regulation under Iowa Code chapter 135I and these rules.

“*Fill and drain wading pool*” means a wading pool having no recirculation system.

“*Filter*” means a mechanical device for removing suspended particles from the swimming pool water and refers to the complete mechanism including all component parts.

“*Fountain*” means a water fountain that is not established primarily for swimming or wading, but where swimming or wading is allowed, and that has a drain which is connected to a mechanical suction device for removing or recirculating the water.

“*Free chlorine*” means the concentration of hypochlorous acid and hypochlorite ion in the swimming pool water as measured with a DPD (diethyl-p-phenylene diamine) test kit or as measured by another method approved by the department.

“*Gravity outlet*” means an outlet that directly connects to a tank or other structure that is at atmospheric pressure. Water flows through a gravity outlet by the natural head of water over the outlet.

“*Hose bib*” means a fresh-water outlet that is threaded to permit the attachment of a garden hose.

“*Hydrostatic relief valve*” means a relief valve installed in the bottom of the swimming pool and designed to operate automatically when the swimming pool is empty, relieving the groundwater pressure around the structure by allowing the groundwater into the swimming pool tank.

“*Inlet*” means a fitting or opening through which recirculation water enters the swimming pool.

“*Inspection agency*” means the department, or a city, county or district board of health that has executed with the department pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code chapters 28E and 135I an agreement to inspect swimming pool/spa facilities and enforce these rules. The authority of a city, county or district board of health is limited to the geographic area defined in the agreement executed with the department. Within the defined geographic area, the city, county or district board of health is the “local inspection agency.”

“*Leisure river*” means a closed-path channel of near constant depth with a river-like flow of water. A leisure river may include water features and play devices. Leisure rivers are also called “lazy rivers” or “slow rivers.”

“*Lifeguard*.”

1. “Certified lifeguard” means an individual who holds current certification in one of the following courses and, where applicable, current additional certification in American Red Cross first aid and American Red Cross or American Heart Association infant, child and adult CPR; two-person CPR, or equivalent first-aid and CPR certification approved by the department:

- American Red Cross Lifeguard Training
- YMCA Lifeguarding

- Boy Scouts of America Lifeguard

2. “Licensed lifeguard” means an individual who holds a current license from the National Pool and Waterpark Lifeguard Training Program in one of the following programs:

- National Pool and Waterpark Pool Lifeguard
- National Pool and Waterpark Lifeguard Training
- National Pool and Waterpark Deep Water Lifeguard

NOTE: Lifeguard, CPR and first-aid training programs will sometimes be renamed or restructured by the sponsoring organization. American Red Cross lifeguard training now includes first aid and CPR; the lifeguard receives the lifeguard certificate and a CPR certificate. Separate CPR and first-aid training is available from the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, and other providers. If there is a question whether a specific training course will meet the requirements of these rules, information about the course should be submitted to the department for evaluation.

“*Main drain*” means the outlet(s) at the deepest part of a swimming pool or spa.

“*Manufacturer’s specifications*” means written guidelines established by a manufacturer for the installation and operation of the manufacturer’s equipment.

“*Multisection water recreation pool*” means a swimming pool with three or more distinct use areas such as, but not limited to, a zero-depth play area, a water slide landing area, a lap swim area, and a diving area.

“*Outlet*” means a fitting or opening, including the main drain, through which water leaves the swimming pool or spa.

“*Perimeter overflow gutter*” means a weir and trough around the perimeter of a swimming pool that is used to skim the surface of the water and return the water to the treatment system.

“*Plunge pool*” means a pool designed to serve as a landing area for a water slide.

“*Recirculation system*” means the pump(s), piping, inlets, outlets, filtration system, chemical feed systems and accessories provided to convey and treat the swimming pool or spa water to meet the water quality standards in these rules.

“*Reconstruction*” means the replacement or modification of a swimming pool or spa shell or deck, a swimming pool or spa recirculation system, a perimeter overflow gutter or skimmer, or a bathhouse associated with a public swimming pool or spa. “Reconstruction” does not include the replacement of equipment or piping previously approved by the department, provided that the type and size of the equipment are not revised, nor does it include normal maintenance or repair.

“*Residential swimming pool*” means any swimming pool that is used, or intended to be used, in connection with a single-family residence and that is available only to the family of the householder and the householder’s private guests. A residential swimming pool used for any commercial purpose, including, but not limited to, swimming lessons or exercise classes, shall comply with the requirements of 15.4(6)“n.” A residential swimming pool used for commercial purposes for more than 60 hours in a calendar month shall be considered a public swimming pool.

“*Shallow water*” means those areas of a swimming pool where the water is 5 ft deep or less.

“*Shallow water guard.*”

1. “Certified shallow water guard” means a person who has current certification in American Red Cross basic water rescue, current certification in American Red Cross first aid, and current certification in American Red Cross or American Heart Association infant, child and adult CPR, or equivalent training approved by the department.

2. “Licensed shallow water guard” means a person who holds a current license from the National Pool and Waterpark Lifeguard Training Program as a National Pool and Waterpark Shallow Water Waterpark Lifeguard.

NOTE: Water safety, CPR and first-aid training programs will sometimes be renamed or restructured by the sponsoring organization. If there is a question whether a specific training course will meet the requirements of these rules, information about the course should be submitted to the department for evaluation.

“*Skimmer*” means a manufactured device designed to be directly connected to the recirculation pump suction and used to skim the swimming pool over a self-adjusting weir.

“*Spa*” means a structure, chamber, or tank, such as a hot tub or whirlpool, that is designed for recreational or therapeutic use and is designed not to be drained, cleaned, and refilled after each individual use. A spa is designed to provide a means of agitation. A swimming pool with a bench equipped with agitation is not considered a spa provided that the bench length is no more than 10 percent of the swimming pool perimeter and that the water temperature is maintained at 90°F or less. Rules 15.51(135I) and 15.52(135I) define minimum standards for the operation and design of spas.

“*Speed slide*” means a water slide which is designed to enter users into a plunge pool or other deceleration arrangement at a speed of 30 ft per second or more.

“*Spray pad*” means a constructed area equipped with water sprays or other water play features where the water is intended to contact the users. A spray pad includes no standing water. A spray pad uses water that is recirculated independently or from an associated swimming pool. Spray pads are also called “wet decks,” “splash pads,” “interactive play attractions,” “water recreation attractions,” and other names.

A play area with sprays or other features that includes no standing water and that uses only potable water that is not circulated (the water drains to waste) is not included in this definition.

“*Suction outlet*” means an outlet that is directly connected to the inlet side of a circulation pump.

“*Superchlorination*” means the addition of a chlorine disinfectant compound to a swimming pool or spa to a concentration at least ten times the combined chlorine concentration before the addition. Treatment of swimming pool or spa water with nonchlorine chemicals to eliminate or suppress combined chlorine is not superchlorination.

“*Swimming pool*” means a structure, chamber, tank, or area constructed of man-made material through which water is circulated and that is designed and operated for recreation, training, or competition that includes full body contact with the water. This definition includes, but may not be limited to, swimming pools, wading pools, spray pads, leisure rivers, water slides, and wave pools. The swimming pool may be either publicly or privately owned. This definition includes, but is not limited to, swimming pools operated by cities, counties, public and private schools, hotels, motels, camps, apartments, condominiums, and health clubs and country clubs.

1. “Class A swimming pool” means a swimming pool with a water surface area of 1500 ft<sup>2</sup> or more, except for wading pools.

2. “Class B swimming pool” means a swimming pool with a water surface area of less than 1500 ft<sup>2</sup>.

“*Swimming pool slide*” means any device used to enter a swimming pool by sliding down an inclined plane or through a tube. “Swimming pool slide” as used in this chapter is equipment generally similar to a playground slide. A swimming pool slide shall have a slide path of 20 ft or less in length and a water flow down the slide of 20 gpm or less. A slide exceeding either of these criteria shall be a water slide.

“*Temporary spa*” means a spa which is installed or situated in one location for a period of less than 30 days.

“*Total bromine*” means the concentration of hypobromous acid, hypobromite ion and nitrogen-bromine compounds in the swimming pool water as measured with a DPD (diethyl-p-phenylene diamine) test kit or as measured by another method approved by the department.

“*Tri-chlor*” means trichloro-s-triazinetrione. Tri-chlor is a form of chlorine that includes cyanuric acid in its formulation.

“*Wading pool*” means a swimming pool that is no more than 24 inches deep at any point and that is primarily intended for use by young children for general recreation or training.

“*Water slide*” means a recreational ride which is a sloped trough-like or tubular structure using water as a lubricant and as a method of regulating rider velocity and which terminates in a plunge pool, swimming pool, or in a specially designed deceleration structure. “Water slide” includes appurtenant structures and devices, such as a plunge pool, pump reservoir, recirculation equipment, flume pumps, and access structures, when they are provided.

“*Wave pool*” means a swimming pool of special shape and design which is provided with wave-generating equipment.

“*Zero-depth pool*” means a swimming pool in which the pool floor intersects the water surface along at least one side of the pool. This definition does not include wading pools.

**15.3(2) Abbreviations.**

“*AFO*” means aquatic facility operator.

“*AGA*” means American Gas Association, 400 N. Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

“*ANSI*” means American National Standards Institute, 25 West 43rd Street, New York, NY 10036.

“*APSP*” means the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals (formerly National Spa and Pool Institute (NSPI)), 2111 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

“*ASME*” means American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Three Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016-5990.

“*AWWA*” means American Water Works Association, 6666 West Quincy Avenue, Denver, CO 80235.

“*BTU*” means British thermal unit.

“*CPO*®” means certified swimming pool/spa operator.

“*CPR*” means cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

“*feet*” means feet of water ( $\text{feet} \times 0.43 = \text{psi}$ ) when used in discussing pump requirements.

“*ft*” means foot or feet (distance).

“*ft<sup>2</sup>*” means square foot or square feet.

“*gal*” means gallon(s).

“*gpm*” means gal per minute.

“*in Hg*” means inches of mercury ( $\text{in Hg} \times 0.49 = \text{psi}$ ).

“*in<sup>2</sup>*” means square inch(es).

“*LAF<sup>T</sup>*” means licensed aquatic facility technician.

“*mg/L*” means milligram(s) per liter.

“*mV*” means millivolts.

“*NRPA*” means National Recreation and Park Association, 22377 Belmont Ridge Road, Ashburn, VA 20148.

“*NSF*” means NSF International (formerly National Sanitation Foundation), 789 N. Dixboro Road, P.O. Box 130140, Ann Arbor, MI 48113-0140.

“*NSPF*®” means National Swimming Pool Foundation, 4775 Granby Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80919.

“*ORP*” means oxidation-reduction potential.

“*ppm*” means parts per million; mg/L and ppm are equivalent terms.

“*PPSO*” means professional pool and spa operator.

“*psi*” means pounds per square inch.

“*sec*” means second (time).

“*Standard 50*” means NSF/ANSI Standard 50, “Circulation System Components for Swimming Pools, Spas, or Hot Tubs.”

“*TDH*” means total dynamic head.

“*UL*” means Underwriters Laboratories, 333 Pfingsten Road, Northbrook, IL 60062-2096.

## SWIMMING POOLS

**641—15.4(135I) Swimming pool operations.** Swimming pools shall be operated in a safe, sanitary manner and shall meet the following operational standards.

**15.4(1) Filtration and recirculation.**

*a. Filtration.* A swimming pool, except a fill and drain wading pool, shall have a filtration system in good working condition which provides water clarity in compliance with the water quality standards of 15.4(2).

*b. Recirculation.* The recirculation system of a swimming pool shall meet the following requirements:

(1) During the operating season, pumps, filters, disinfectant feeders, flow indicators, gauges, and all related components of the swimming pool water recirculation system shall be operated continuously except for backwashing or servicing.

(2) The recirculation system shall have an operating pressure gauge located in front of the filter if it is a pressure filter system. A vacuum filter system shall have a vacuum gauge located between the filter and the pump.

(3) The recirculation system shall have inlets adequate in design, number, location, and spacing to ensure effective distribution of treated water and maintenance of uniform disinfectant residual throughout the swimming pool.

(4) Swimming pools shall have a means for skimming the pool water surface.

1. Each skimmer shall have an easily removable basket or screen upstream from any valve. Self-adjusting weirs shall be in place to provide skimming action.

2. Gutter or skimmer drainage shall be sufficient to minimize flooding and prevent backflow of skimmed water into the swimming pool.

*c. Wastewater.* Backwash water from a swimming pool shall be discharged through an air break or an air gap.

*d. Water supply.* The water supplied to a swimming pool shall be from a water supply meeting the requirements of the department of natural resources for potable water.

(1) Water supplied to a swimming pool shall be discharged to the pool system through an air gap or a reduced-pressure principle backflow device meeting AWWA C-511-97, "Reduced-Pressure Principle Backflow-Prevention Assembly."

(2) Each hose bib at a facility shall be equipped with an atmospheric vacuum breaker or a hose connection backflow preventer.

*e. Swimming pool water heaters.*

(1) Electric water heaters shall bear the seal of UL.

(2) Gas-fired water heaters shall bear the seal of the AGA and shall be equipped with a pressure relief valve.

(3) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be vented to the outside in accordance with the Iowa state plumbing code.

(4) Each indoor swimming pool equipment room with fuel-burning water heating equipment shall have one or more openings to the outside of the room for the provision of combustion air.

*f. Fill and drain wading pools.* Each fill and drain wading pool shall be drained at least once every 12 hours and left empty when the pool is not open for use.

**15.4(2) Water quality and testing.**

*a. Disinfection.*

(1) Swimming pool water shall have a free chlorine residual of at least 1.0 ppm and no greater than 8.0 ppm, or a total bromine residual of at least 2.0 ppm and no greater than 18 ppm when the swimming pool is open for use, except as given in Table 1.

(2) The swimming pool shall be closed if the free chlorine is measured to be less than 0.6 ppm or the total bromine is measured to be less than 1.0 ppm.

(3) The swimming pool shall be closed if a free chlorine measurement exceeds 8.0 ppm or if the total bromine measurement exceeds 18 ppm, except as given in Table 1.

(4) If an ORP controller with a readout meeting the requirements of 15.4(2) "f"(4) is installed on the swimming pool system, the swimming pool water shall have an ORP of at least 700 mV, but no greater than 880 mV, except as given in Table 1. The swimming pool shall be closed if the ORP is less than 650 mV or greater than 880 mV.

(5) The swimming pool shall be closed if the cyanuric acid concentration in the swimming pool water exceeds 80 ppm. The swimming pool may be reopened when the cyanuric acid concentration is 40 ppm or less.

(6) No cyanuric acid shall be added to an indoor swimming pool after May 4, 2005, except through an existing chemical feed system designed to deliver di-chlor or tri-chlor. No cyanuric acid in any form shall be added to an indoor swimming pool after May 31, 2008.

Table 1

Preferred Operating Range			Acceptable Operating Range		
ORP (mV)	Free Cl (ppm)	Total Br (ppm)	ORP (mV)	Free Cl (ppm)	Total Br (ppm)
700-880	1.0-8.0	2.0-18.0	700-880	0.50-0.90	1.0-2.0
			650-700 <sup>#</sup>	1.0-8.0	2.0-18.0
			650-700 <sup>†</sup>	8.2-10.0	18.5-22.0

<sup>#</sup> If these conditions occur on any 5 consecutive days or on any 10 days within a 14-day period, the facility management shall evaluate water parameters including, but not limited to, cyanuric acid, pH, combined chlorine, and phosphates (ortho- and total); and other conditions at the swimming pool. The facility management shall modify parameters and conditions as practical to bring the ORP to a minimum of 700 mV. The evaluation shall be completed within 30 days after the low ORP condition is known to the facility management. A written report of the evaluation shall be kept with the pool records.

<sup>†</sup> If these conditions occur on any 3 consecutive days or on any 7 days within a 14-day period, the facility management shall notify the local inspection agency and shall cause the conditions at the swimming pool specified in the previous footnote and the function of the ORP equipment to be investigated by a professional pool service company. A written report detailing source water parameters, pool water parameters, pool design (including information about the installed mechanical and chemical equipment), other conditions affecting the disinfectant concentration and the ORP, and the actions taken to increase ORP relative to the disinfectant residual shall be submitted to the local inspection agency within 30 days after the low ORP condition is known to the facility management.

*b. pH level.* The pH of swimming pool water shall be 7.2 to 7.8. An inspection agency may require that a swimming pool be closed if the pH is less than 6.8 or greater than 8.2.

*c. Water clarity.* A swimming pool that is less than 8 ft deep shall be closed if the grate openings on the main drain are not clearly visible from the deck. A swimming pool that is 8 ft deep or deeper shall be closed if the main drain is not clearly visible from the deck.

*d. Bacteria detection.*

(1) If coliform bacteria are detected in a sample taken in accordance with 15.4(2)“e”(6), the swimming pool shall be superchlorinated and a check sample shall be taken when the disinfectant residual is within the requirements of paragraph “a” above. If coliform bacteria are detected in the check sample, the swimming pool shall be closed. The swimming pool may reopen when no coliform bacteria are detected in a swimming pool water sample taken when the pool water meets the requirements of paragraphs “a,” “b” and “c” above.

(2) The facility management shall notify the local inspection agency of the positive bacteriological result within one business day after the facility management has become aware of the result.

*e. Test frequency.* The results of the tests required below shall be recorded in the swimming pool records.

(1) The disinfectant residual in the swimming pool water shall be tested or the ORP of the swimming pool water shall be checked each day within one-half hour of the swimming pool opening time and at intervals not to exceed four hours thereafter until the swimming pool closing time. For swimming pools at condominiums, apartments or homeowners associations with 25 or fewer living units, testing must be performed at least once each day that the swimming pool is available for use.

If the swimming pool is equipped with an automatic controller with a readout or local printout of ORP meeting the requirements of 15.4(2)“f”(4), the operator may make visual readings of ORP in lieu of manual testing, but the swimming pool water shall be tested manually for disinfectant residual at least twice per day. Both ORP and disinfectant residual shall be recorded when manual testing is done. The operator shall specify in the swimming pool records which results are from the manual tests.

(2) The pH of the swimming pool water shall be tested each day within one-half hour of the swimming pool opening time and at intervals not to exceed four hours thereafter until the swimming pool closing time. For swimming pools at condominiums, apartments or homeowners associations with 25 or fewer living units, testing for pH must be performed at least once each day that the swimming pool is available for use.

If the swimming pool is equipped with an automatic controller with a readout or local printout of pH meeting the requirements of 15.4(2)“f”(5), the operator may make visual readings of pH in lieu of manual testing, but the swimming pool water shall be tested manually for pH at least twice per day. The operator shall specify in the swimming pool records which results are from the manual tests.

(3) The swimming pool water shall be tested for total alkalinity at least once in each week that the swimming pool is open for use. The swimming pool shall be tested for calcium hardness at least once in each month that the swimming pool is open for use.

(4) If a chlorine chemical is used for disinfection, the swimming pool water shall be tested for combined chlorine at least once in each week that the swimming pool is open for use.

(5) If cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine is used at a swimming pool, the swimming pool water shall be tested for cyanuric acid at least once in each week that the swimming pool is open for use.

(6) At least once in each month that a swimming pool is open for use, the facility management shall submit a sample of the swimming pool water to a laboratory certified by the department of natural resources for the determination of coliform bacteria in drinking water. The sample shall be analyzed for total coliform.

*f. Test equipment.*

(1) Each facility shall have functional water testing equipment for free chlorine and combined chlorine, or total bromine; pH; total alkalinity; calcium hardness; and cyanuric acid (if cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine is used at the facility).

(2) The test equipment shall provide for the direct measurement of free chlorine and combined chlorine from 0 to 10 ppm in increments of 0.2 ppm or less over the full range, or total bromine from 0 to 20 ppm in increments of 0.5 ppm or less over the full range.

(3) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of swimming pool water pH from 7.0 to 8.0 with at least five increments in that range.

(4) A controller readout used in lieu of manual disinfectant residual testing shall be a numerical analog or digital display (indicator lights are not acceptable) with an ORP scale with a range of at least 600 to 900 mV with increments of 20 mV or less.

(5) A controller readout used in lieu of manual pH testing shall be a numerical analog or digital display (indicator lights are not acceptable) with a pH range at least equal to the range required in 15.4(2)“f”(3) with increments of 0.2 or less over the full range.

*g. Operator availability.* A person knowledgeable in testing water and in operating the water treatment equipment shall be available whenever a swimming pool is open for use.

**15.4(3) Chemical feed equipment and cleaning.**

*a. Chemical feed equipment.*

(1) Equipment for continuous feed of chlorine, a chlorine compound or a bromine compound to the swimming pool water shall be provided and shall be operational. The equipment shall be adjustable in at least five increments over its feed capacity. Where applicable, the chemical feeder shall be listed by NSF or another listing agency approved by the department for compliance with Standard 50.

(2) Equipment for the continuous feed of a chemical for pH adjustment of the swimming pool water shall be provided and shall be operational for each Class A swimming pool and for each swimming pool constructed after July 1, 1998. Where applicable, the chemical feeder shall be listed by NSF or another listing agency approved by the department for compliance with Standard 50.

*b. Cleaning.*

(1) The inspection agency may require that a swimming pool be drained and scrubbed with a disinfecting agent prior to further usage.

(2) A vacuum system shall be provided to remove dirt from the bottom of the swimming pool.

**15.4(4) Safety.**

*a. Chemical safety.*

(1) No disinfectant chemical, pH control chemical, algaecide, shock treatment chemical, or any other chemical that is toxic or irritating to humans may be added to the swimming pool water from the deck of the swimming pool while the swimming pool is in use. When chemical additions are made from the deck, the swimming pool shall be closed from use for at least one-half hour. The operator shall test the swimming pool water as appropriate before allowing use of the swimming pool. The chemical addition and the test results shall be recorded in the swimming pool records.

(2) Swimming pool treatment chemicals shall be stored and handled in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.



(3) Material safety data sheets (MSDS) for the chemicals used at the pool shall be at the facility in a location known and readily accessible to the facility staff.

(4) Chemical storage containers shall be clearly labeled.

(5) A chemical hazard warning sign shall be placed at the entrance of a room where chemicals are used or stored or where bulk containers are located.

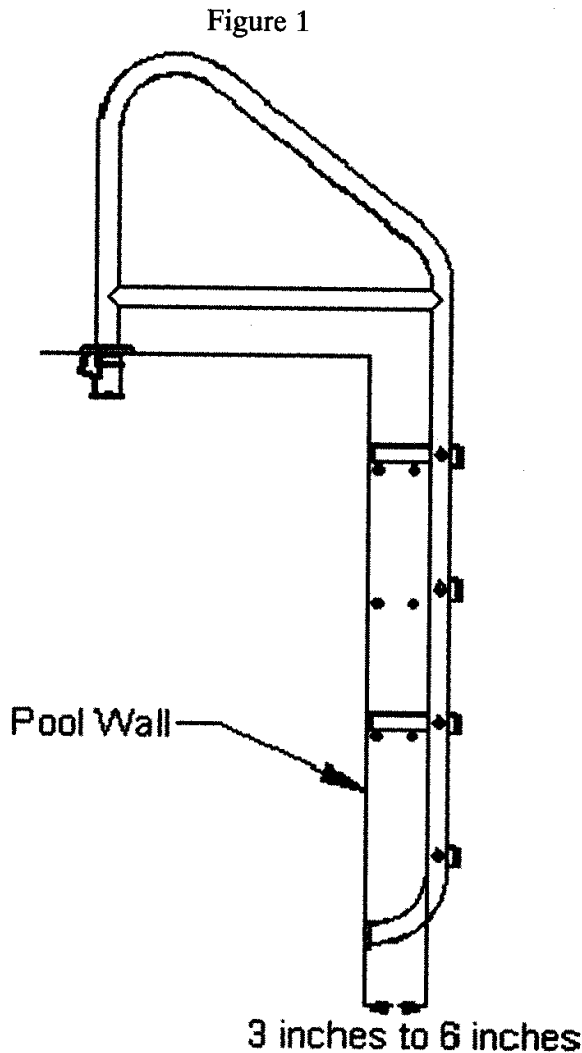
*b. Stairs, ladders, recessed steps, and ramps.*

(1) Ladders or recessed steps shall be provided in the deep portion of a swimming pool. Stairs, ladders, recessed steps, or ramps shall be provided in the shallow portion if the vertical distance from the bottom of the swimming pool to the deck is more than 2 ft.

(2) Ladders, ladder rungs and ramps shall be securely anchored.

(3) The distance between the swimming pool wall to the vertical rail of a ladder shall be no greater than 6 inches and no less than 3 inches. The lower end of each ladder rail shall be securely covered with a smooth nonmetallic cap. The lower end of each ladder rail shall be within 1 inch of the swimming pool wall.

Figure 1



(4) Stairs, ladder rungs, ramps and recessed steps shall be slip-resistant.

(5) If a swimming pool is over 30 ft wide, recessed steps, ladders, ramps, or stairs shall be installed on each side. If a stairway centered on the shallow end wall of the swimming pool is within 30 ft of each

side of the swimming pool, that end of the swimming pool shall be considered in compliance with this subparagraph.

(6) Each set of recessed steps shall be equipped with a securely anchored grab rail on each side of the recessed steps.

(7) Each set of stairs and each ramp shall be equipped with a securely anchored handrail(s).

(8) When stairs are provided for entry into a swimming pool, a stripe at least 1 inch wide of a color contrasting with the step surface and with the swimming pool floor shall be marked at the top front edge of each tread. The stripe shall be slip-resistant.

*c. Diving areas.*

(1) No diving shall be permitted in areas where the water is 5 ft deep or less except for purposes of competition or training. The diving shall be supervised by a lifeguard, swim instructor or swim coach.

(2) Starting blocks shall only be used for competition or training purposes under the supervision of a lifeguard, swim instructor, or swim coach. Starting blocks and starting block installation shall meet the requirements of the competition governing body (National Collegiate Athletic Association, USA Swimming, or National Federation of State High School Associations). When the swimming pool is open for general use, the starting blocks shall be secured from use by removal, covering, or signage and active supervision.

(3) Diving boards shall be permitted only if the diving area dimensions conform to the minimum requirements indicated in Figure 2, Table 2 and Table 3. Alternative diving well configurations may be used, subject to the approval of the department.

(4) There shall be a completely unobstructed clear distance of 13 ft above the diving board, measured from the center of the front end of the board. This area shall extend at least 8 ft behind, 8 ft to each side, and 16 ft ahead of the measuring point.

(5) Diving boards and platforms over 3 meters in height are prohibited except where approved by the department.

(6) Diving boards and platforms shall have a slip-resistant surface.

(7) Where the top of a diving board or platform is more than 18 inches above the deck, stairs or a ladder shall be provided for access to the diving board or platform.

(8) Handrails shall be provided at all steps and ladders leading to diving boards which are more than 32 inches above the deck.

(9) A platform or diving board that is 32 inches or more above the swimming pool deck shall have a guardrail on both sides. The guardrails shall be at least 36 inches high and shall extend to the edge of the deck. The guardrails shall have at least one horizontal mid-bar.

(10) Supports, platforms, and steps for diving boards shall be of substantial construction and of sufficient structural strength to safely carry the maximum anticipated load.

NOTE: The information contained in Figure 2 and Tables 2 and 3 is for swimming pools constructed prior to March 14, 1990. Swimming pools constructed after March 14, 1990, shall meet the requirements contained in 15.5(13) "a."

When determining distances set out in Tables 2 and 3, measurements shall be taken from the top center of the front edge of the diving board. The reference water level shall be the midpoint of the skimmer opening for a skimmer pool or a stainless steel gutter system with surge weirs. The reference water level for a gutter pool shall be the top of the gutter weir.

Figure 2

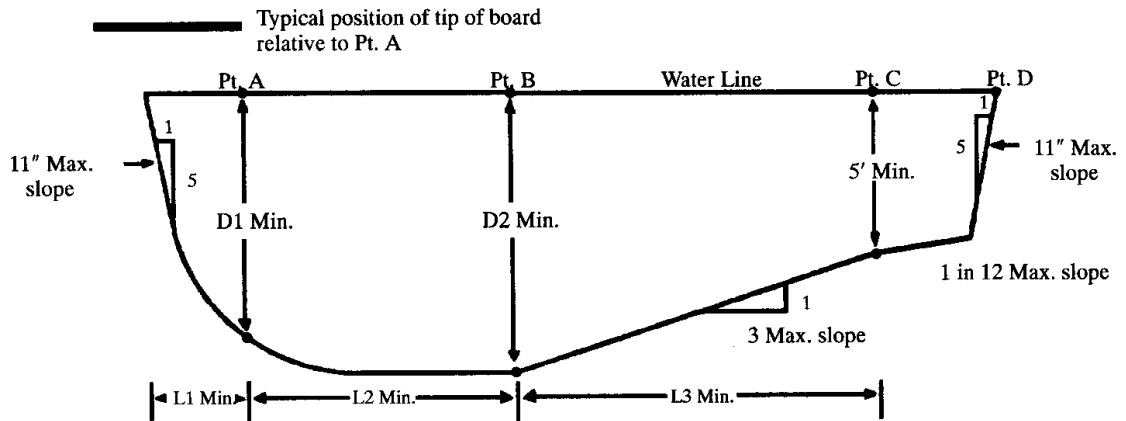


Table 2

Diving Board Height Above Water	Maximum Diving Board Length	Minimum Dimensions				
		D1	D2	L1	L2	L3
Deck level to 2/3 meter	10 ft	7 ft	8.5 ft	2.5 ft	8 ft	10.5 ft
Greater than 2/3 meter to 3/4 meter	12 ft	7.5 ft	9 ft	3 ft	9 ft	12 ft
Greater than 3/4 meter to 1 meter	16 ft	8.5 ft	10 ft	4 ft	10 ft	15 ft
Greater than 1 meter to 3 meters	16 ft	11 ft	12 ft	6 ft	10.5 ft	21 ft

Table 3

Diving Board Height Above Water	Minimum Distance		
	To Pool Side	To 1-Meter Diving Board	To 3-Meter Diving Board
Deck level to 1 meter	9 ft	8 ft	10 ft
Greater than 1 meter	11 ft	10 ft	10 ft

d. Lifeguards and shallow water guards.

(1) Except for wading pools and spray pads, lifeguards are required at municipal and school swimming pools of any size and other swimming pools having a water surface area of 1500 ft<sup>2</sup> or larger. Swimming pools operated by apartments, condominiums, country clubs, neighborhoods, manufactured home communities, or mobile home parks are exempt from lifeguard requirements.

(2) Shallow water guards may be used at plunge pools which are 5 ft deep or less and at wading pools.

(3) For open recreation swimming, there shall be at least one lifeguard guarding the pool at all times for up to 30 swimmers in the water; for over 30 swimmers in the water, there shall be at least two lifeguards on duty, one of whom shall be guarding the pool at all times for up to 125 swimmers in the water. An additional lifeguard shall be provided for each additional 125 swimmers in the water or fraction thereof.

NOTE: This is the minimum lifeguard coverage acceptable under these rules. It is the responsibility of the management of each facility to evaluate the facility configuration, the features of the facility, including water slides, spray pads, play features, etc., the patrons, and the type of use, and to determine the facility-specific requirements for supervision by lifeguards.

(4) For a structured swimming program, such as lap swim, competitive swimming, water exercise classes, swim lessons and physical education classes, a lifeguard is not required provided the program is supervised by an instructor, teacher, or coach who is a lifeguard or who has current certification from the American Red Cross in basic water rescue, first aid, and infant, child and adult CPR, or equivalent training approved by the department. An instructor, teacher or coach may be responsible for a maximum of 30 persons within a structured activity. If more than 30 persons are involved in a structured activity, a second qualified supervisor must be present.

(5) Water slide attendants. Each water slide shall have a minimum of two attendants, one stationed at the top of the slide and one at the bottom of the slide. If the plunge pool is shallow, the water slide attendants shall be either lifeguards or shallow water guards. If the plunge pool includes deep water, the water slide attendants shall be lifeguards. Where the water slide attendant stationed at the bottom of a slide which empties into a swimming pool is a shallow water guard, the attendant shall only be responsible for guarding the water slide landing area.

The department may approve alternate water slide management based on a review of the slide and swimming pool configuration. Alternate water slide management plans shall be in writing and shall be at the facility during the operating season.

If two or three water slides start at the same platform and the distance between the centerlines of any two start structures is 10 ft or less, one attendant may supervise the slides. If two or three water slides terminate within the same landing area, one attendant may supervise the landing area.

*e. Lifeguard chairs.* For outdoor swimming pools where lifeguards are required by rule, at least one elevated lifeguard chair or station shall be provided for a swimming pool with a water surface area of 2000 to 4000 ft<sup>2</sup> inclusive; at least two chairs shall be provided if the area is 4001 to 6000 ft<sup>2</sup>; and at least three chairs shall be provided if the area is 6001 ft<sup>2</sup> or more. Swimming pools are not required to have more than three lifeguard chairs or stations. This requirement does not apply to wave pools, leisure rivers, spray pads, or wading pools.

*f. Emergency equipment and facilities.*

(1) Except for wading pools, a minimum of one unit of lifesaving equipment shall be provided for each 1500 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface area or fraction thereof. The area of a swimming pool where the water is 2 ft deep or less may be subtracted from the total area for this requirement. A swimming pool is not required to have more than ten units of lifesaving equipment.

(2) A unit of lifesaving equipment consists of one of the following:

1. A U.S. Coast Guard-recognized ring buoy fitted with a ¼-inch diameter line with a length of at least one-half the width of the pool, but no more than 60 ft; or
2. A life pole, or a “shepherd’s crook” of at least 8 ft in length, and having blunted ends; or
3. A rescue buoy made of lightweight, hard, buoyant plastic with molded handgrips along each side and provided with a 4- to 6-ft tow rope and shoulder strap; or
4. A rescue tube made of a soft, strong foam material 3 inches by 6 inches by 40 inches with a molded strap providing a ring at one end and a hook at the other. Attached to the end with the ring shall be a 6-ft-long towline with a shoulder strap; or
5. Any other piece of rescue equipment approved by the department.

NOTE: Rescue equipment identified in 15.4(4) “f”(2)“3” and 15.4(4) “f”(2)“4” above shall be used only at swimming pools where lifeguards are employed. If a facility employs lifeguards (whether required by rule or not), the lifeguards shall be provided with the minimum equipment required by their training including, but not necessarily limited to, rescue tubes and personal CPR masks.

(3) Lifesaving equipment shall be mounted in conspicuous places around the swimming pool deck during normal operations.

(4) A swimming pool facility shall have a first-aid kit which contains, at a minimum, the following:

1. Band-Aids.
2. Sterile 4" × 4" bandage compress.
3. Self-adhering gauze bandage.
4. Disposable gloves.
5. Chemical cold compress.

Where lifeguards are not provided, the first-aid kit shall be prominently mounted in the swimming pool enclosure, or a sign stating its location shall be posted near the swimming pool. The first-aid kit shall be accessible when the swimming pool is open.

(5) A standard spine board with straps and a head immobilizer shall be provided at each swimming pool where lifeguards are required by rule.

(6) Except for wading pools and spray pads, each swimming pool where lifeguards are not provided shall have a designated emergency telephone or equivalent emergency communication system that can be operated without coins. The communication system shall be available to users of swimming pools when the swimming pool is open. When the telephone is not within the confines of the swimming pool enclosure, the location of the emergency telephone shall be posted in at least one conspicuous place within the swimming pool enclosure. Instructions for emergency use of the telephone shall be posted near the telephone.

At each swimming pool where lifeguards are employed, a telephone shall be available to the swimming pool staff for emergency purposes.

*g. Water level.* Water level in swimming pools shall be maintained at the skimming level.

*h. Main drains.* Each outlet, including the main drain(s), shall be designed to prevent user entrapment. A swimming pool shall be closed if a main drain cover is missing or broken.

(1) Each drain shall have a cover with openings or slots no more than ½-inch wide.

(2) Drain covers shall not be removable without the use of tools.

(3) Each main drain shall be covered with a grate with a minimum area equal to a 12-inch by 12-inch square or with an antivortex cover or another drain cover approved by the department.

*i. Surface finish and float lines.*

(1) The bottom and sides of a swimming pool shall be white or a light color. This does not prohibit painting or marking racing lines, stairs or turn targets with contrasting colors.

(2) The swimming pool walls and floor shall have a smooth surface to facilitate cleaning.

(3) The boundary between shallow and deep water (5 ft) shall be marked by a float line with floats spaced no more than 5 ft apart. The float line shall be installed on the shallow side of the boundary within 12 inches of the boundary. When the slope of the floor of a swimming pool exceeds 1 ft vertical to 12 ft horizontal at a depth of less than 5 ft, the float line shall be placed on the shallow side of the slope change within 12 inches of the slope change in lieu of a float line at the 5 ft depth.

(4) A wave pool shall be equipped with a float line with floats spaced no more than 5 ft apart. The float line shall be located at least 6 ft from the deep-end wall. Users shall not be permitted between the float line and the deep-end wall.

(5) The landing area for a swimming pool slide or a water slide that terminates in a swimming pool shall be delineated by a float line or as approved by the department.

A float line is not required when the landing area is in deep water provided the distance between the slide and any diving board(s) meets the requirements for diving board spacing. The distance between the side of the slide at the slide's terminus and the swimming pool wall shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, but shall be at least 8 ft.

A float line is not required for a slide that is designed for toddlers and young children and that terminates in water that is 2 ft deep or less. The landing area shall be designated by a brightly colored pad securely fastened to the floor of the swimming pool or by painting the floor at the end of the slide.

*j. Depth marking.*

(1) Depth markers shall be painted or otherwise marked on the deck within 3 ft of the edge of the swimming pool. The depth of a wave pool shall also be marked on the side walls of the wave pool, above the maximum static water level, where the depth is 3 ft or more, and on the deep-end wall of the wave pool. Depth markers are not required at the zero-depth end of a wading pool, wave pool, or a zero-depth swimming pool. Depth markers are not required at a plunge pool on the flume discharge end or on the exit end if stairs are used for exit.

(2) Depth markers shall be located at 1-ft depth intervals, but not more than 25 ft apart measured between the centers of the depth markers around the area of a swimming pool which has a water depth of 5 ft or less.

(3) Depth markers shall be located not more than 25 ft apart measured between the centers of the depth markers around the deep end of the swimming pool. The words "Deep Water" may be used in place of numerals.

(4) In lieu of subparagraph (2) above, the maximum depth of a wading pool may be posted at each entrance to a wading pool enclosure and at one conspicuous location inside the wading pool enclosure in letters or numbers at least 3 inches high.

(5) The depth of a leisure river shall be posted at the entrance(s) to the leisure river in characters at least 3 inches high. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the side wall of the leisure river above the static water level at intervals not to exceed 50 ft on center. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the deck in the areas where users are permitted. The depth markers shall be within 3 ft of the edge of the leisure river at intervals not to exceed 25 ft on center. The depth markers at a leisure river constructed before May 4, 2005, are not required to be changed until the deck or channel structure is replaced or repaired.

(6) "No Diving" or equivalent wording or graphics shall be marked on the swimming pool deck within 3 ft of the edge of the swimming pool where the water is shallow and at other pool areas determined by management. The markers shall be 25 ft apart or less, center to center, around the perimeter of the area. This marking is not required for wading pools or at the zero-depth end of a wave pool or of a zero-depth swimming pool. "No Diving" or equivalent wording or graphics shall be marked on the deck of a leisure river in areas where users are permitted. The "No Diving" markers shall be within 3 ft of the edge of the leisure river at intervals not to exceed 25 ft on center. The "No Diving" markers at a leisure river constructed before May 4, 2005, are not required to be changed until the deck or channel structure is replaced or repaired.

(7) Letters, numbers, and graphics marked on the deck shall be slip-resistant, of a color contrasting with the deck and at least 4 inches in height.

*k. Deck safety.*

(1) Decks shall be maintained slip-resistant, and free of litter, obstructions and tripping hazards.

(2) Glass objects, other than eyeglasses and safety glass doors and partitions, shall not be permitted on the deck.

(3) There shall be no underwater or overhead projections or obstructions which would endanger swimmer safety or interfere with proper swimming pool operation.

*l. Fencing.*

(1) Except for a fill and drain wading pool, a circulated wading pool that is drained when not in use, or a spray pad, a swimming pool shall be enclosed by a fence, wall, building, or combination thereof not less than 4 ft high. The enclosure shall be constructed of durable materials.

(2) A fence, wall, or other means of enclosure shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere, and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The distance between the ground and the top of the lowest horizontal support accessible from outside the facility, or between the two lowest horizontal supports accessible from outside the facility, shall be at least 45 inches. A horizontal support is considered accessible if it is on the exterior of the fence relative to the swimming pool, or if the gap between the vertical members of the fence is greater than 1¼ inches.

(3) At least one gate or door with an opening of at least 36 inches in width shall be provided for emergency purposes. When closed, gates and doors shall comply with the requirements of (2) above. Except where lifeguard or structured program supervision is provided whenever the swimming pool is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

(4) If a wading pool is within 50 ft of a swimming pool, the wading pool shall have a barrier at least 36 inches high separating it from the swimming pool. A barrier installed after May 4, 2005, shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The barrier shall have at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

The department may approve alternate management of the area between the wading pool and swimming pool at a facility where lifeguards are provided whenever the pools are open. The alternate management plan shall be in writing and shall be at the facility when the pools are open.

(5) An indoor swimming pool shall be enclosed by a barrier at least 3 ft high if there are sleeping rooms, hallways, apartments, condominiums, or permanent recreation areas which are used by children and which open directly into the swimming pool area. No opening in the barrier shall permit the passage of a 4-inch sphere. The barrier shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. There shall be at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door through the barrier. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided whenever the pool is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

(6) A wave pool shall have a continuous barrier along the full length of each side of the wave pool. The barrier shall be at least 42 inches high and be installed no more than 3 ft from the side of the wave pool. Wave pool users shall not be permitted in this area.

*m. Electrical.*

(1) Electrical outlets. Each electrical outlet in the deck, shower room, and pool water treatment equipment areas shall be equipped with a properly installed ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) at the outlet or at the breaker serving the outlet. Electrical outlets energized through an ORP/pH controller are not required to have a separate GFCI if the controller is equipped with a GFCI or is energized through a GFCI breaker. GFCI receptacles and breakers shall be tested at least once in each month that the swimming pool is in operation. Testing dates and results shall be recorded in the pool records.

(2) Lighting.

1. Artificial lighting shall be provided at a swimming pool which is to be used at night or which does not have adequate natural lighting so that all portions of the swimming pool, including the bottom and main drain, may be clearly seen.

2. Underwater lights and fixtures shall be designed for their intended use. When the underwater lights operate at more than 15 volts, the underwater light circuit shall be equipped with a GFCI. When an underwater light needs to be repaired, the electricity shall be shut off until repairs are completed.

3. For outdoor swimming pools, no electrical wiring, except for overhead illumination, shall extend over a swimming pool.

*n. Chlorine gas and carbon dioxide.*

(1) Chlorine gas feed equipment and full and empty chlorine cylinders shall be housed in a room or building used exclusively for that purpose during the pool operation season. Chlorine gas installations constructed prior to March 14, 1990, that are housed within chain-link fence or similar enclosure may be used provided that the chlorine cylinders are protected from direct sunlight and the applicable requirements below are met.

1. A chlorine gas room or building shall have an airtight exhaust system which takes its suction near the floor and discharges out of doors in a direction to minimize the exposure to swimming pool patrons. The system shall provide one air change every four minutes.

2. An air intake shall be provided near the ceiling.

3. The exhaust fan shall be operated from a switch in a nearby location outside the chlorine room or building. The switch shall be clearly labeled "Chlorine Exhaust Fan."

4. The discharge from the exhaust system shall be outside the pool enclosure.

5. Artificial lighting shall be provided in the chlorine room or building.

6. The door of a chlorine room or building shall be secured in an open position whenever the room is occupied.

7. A plastic bottle of commercial strength ammonia solution for leak detection shall be provided.

8. Rooms or buildings where chlorine is stored or used shall be placarded in accordance with 875—Chapter 140, Iowa Administrative Code.

(2) Chlorine and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) cylinders.

1. Chlorine gas and CO<sub>2</sub> cylinders shall be individually anchored with safety chains or straps.

2. Storage space shall be provided so that chlorine cylinders are not subject to direct sunlight.

3. The chlorinator shall be designed to prevent the backflow of water or moisture into the chlorine gas cylinder.

4. An automatic shutoff shall be provided to shut off the gas chlorinator and the pH control chemical pump when the recirculation pump stops.

*o. Water slides.*

- (1) Water slide support structures shall be free of obvious structural defects.
- (2) The internal surface of a flume shall be smooth and continuous for its entire length.
- (3) The flume shall have no sharp edges within reach of a user while the user is in the proper sliding position.

**15.4(5) Showers, dressing rooms, and sanitary facilities.** Swimming pool users shall have access to showers, dressing rooms, and sanitary facilities that are clean and free of debris. If a bathhouse is provided, the following shall be met:

- a. Floors shall have a slip-resistant surface.
- b. Floors shall provide adequate drainage to prevent standing water.
- c. Olefin or other approved carpeting may be used in locker room or dressing room areas provided there is an adequate drip area between the carpeting and the shower room, toilet facilities, swimming pool, or other area where water can accumulate.
- d. All lavatories, showers, and sanitary facilities shall be functional.
- e. Soap shall be available at each lavatory and at each indoor shower fixture.

**15.4(6) Management, notifications, and records.**

a. *Certified operator required.* Each facility shall employ a certified operator. One certified operator may be responsible for a maximum of three facilities. Condominium associations, apartments and homeowners associations with 25 or fewer living units are exempt from this requirement.

b. *Pool rules sign.* A legible pool rules sign shall be posted conspicuously at a minimum of two locations within the swimming pool enclosure. The sign shall include the following stipulations:

- (1) No diving in the shallow end of the swimming pool and in other areas marked "No Diving."
- (2) No rough play in or around the swimming pool.
- (3) No running on the deck.

c. *Other rules.* Management may adopt and post such other rules as it deems necessary to provide for user safety and the proper operation of the facility.

d. *"No Lifeguard" signs.* Where lifeguards are not provided whenever the pool is open, a sign shall be posted at each entry to a swimming pool or a wading pool.

(1) The sign(s) at a swimming pool shall state that lifeguards are not on duty and children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

(2) The sign(s) at a wading pool shall state that lifeguards are not on duty and children must be accompanied by an adult.

e. *Water slide rules.* Rules and restrictions for the use of a water slide shall be posted near the slide. The rules shall address the following as applicable:

- (1) Use limits.
- (2) Attire.
- (3) Riding restrictions.
- (4) Water depth at exit.
- (5) Special rules to accommodate unique aspects of the attraction.
- (6) Special warnings about the relative degree of difficulty.

f. *Operational records.* The operator of a swimming pool shall have the swimming pool operational records for the previous 12 months at the facility and shall make these records available when requested by a swimming pool inspector. These records shall contain a day-by-day account of swimming pool operation, including:

(1) ORP and pH readings, results of pH, free chlorine or total bromine residual, cyanuric acid, total alkalinity, combined chlorine, and calcium hardness tests, and any other chemical test results.

- (2) Results of microbiological analyses.
- (3) Reports of complaints, accidents, injuries, and illness.
- (4) Dates and quantities of chemical additions, including resupply of chemical feed systems.
- (5) Dates when filters were backwashed or cleaned or when a filter cartridge was changed.
- (6) Monthly ground fault circuit interrupter test results.
- (7) Dates of review of material safety data sheets.



*g. Submission of records.* An inspection agency may require a facility operator to submit to the inspection agency on a monthly basis a copy of the records of the ORP and pH readings, chemical test results and microbiological analyses. The inspection agency shall notify the facility management of this requirement in writing at least 15 days before the reports are to be submitted for the first time. The facility management shall submit the required reports to the inspection agency within 10 days after the end of each month of operation.

*h. Certificates.* Copies of certified operator certificates and copies of lifeguard, first-aid, basic water rescue, and CPR certificates for the facility staff shall be kept at the facility.

*i. Operations manual.* A permanent manual for the operation of the swimming pool shall be kept at the facility. The manual shall include instructions for routine operations at the swimming pool including, but not necessarily limited to:

- (1) Water testing procedures, including the required frequency of testing.
- (2) Maintaining the chemical supply for the chemical feed systems.
- (3) Filter backwash or cleaning.
- (4) Vacuuming and cleaning the swimming pool.
- (5) Superchlorination.
- (6) Controller sensor maintenance, where applicable.

*j. Schematic drawing.* A schematic drawing of the pool recirculation system shall be posted in the swimming pool filter room or shall be in the operations manual. Clear labeling of the swimming pool piping with flow direction and water status (unfiltered, treated, backwash) may be substituted for the schematic drawing.

*k. Material safety data sheets.* Copies of material safety data sheets (MSDS) of the chemicals used at the swimming pool shall be kept at the facility in a location known and readily accessible to facility staff with chemical-handling responsibilities. Each member of the facility staff with chemical-handling responsibilities shall review the MSDS at least annually. The facility management shall retain records of the MSDS reviews at the facility and shall make the records available upon request by a swimming pool inspector.

*l. Emergency plan.* The facility management shall develop a written emergency plan. The plan shall include, but may not be limited to, actions to be taken in cases of drowning, serious illness or injury, chemical-handling accidents, weather emergencies, and other serious incidents. The emergency plan shall be reviewed with the facility staff at least once a year, and the dates of review or training shall be recorded in the pool records. The written emergency plan shall be kept at the facility and shall be available to a swimming pool inspector upon request.

*m. Lifeguard staffing plan.* The lifeguard/program staffing plan for the facility shall be available to the swimming pool inspector at the facility. The plan shall include staffing assignments for all programs conducted at the pool.

*n. Residential swimming pools used for commercial purposes.* A residential swimming pool that is used for commercial purposes shall be subject to the following requirements:

(1) The owner of a residential swimming pool that is used for commercial purposes shall register the swimming pool with the department in accordance with 15.9(135I), except that no registration fee is required.

(2) The recirculation system of the swimming pool shall be operating whenever the swimming pool is used for commercial purposes.

(3) The owner or the owner's representative shall test the swimming pool water for the free chlorine or the total bromine residual prior to and after each commercial use of the swimming pool. The owner or the owner's representative shall test the swimming pool water for pH and cyanuric acid (if applicable) at least once in each day that the swimming pool is used for commercial purposes. The test results shall be recorded. The records shall be made available to a swimming pool inspector upon request.

(4) The owner or the owner's representative shall test the swimming pool water for total alkalinity and calcium hardness at least once in each month that the swimming pool is used for commercial purposes. The test results shall be recorded. The records shall be made available to a swimming pool inspector upon request.

(5) During commercial use of a residential swimming pool, the chlorine or bromine residual shall meet the requirements of 15.4(2)“a.” The pH shall meet the requirements of 15.4(2)“b.” If an alternative disinfectant is used, the residual shall be maintained as recommended by the manufacturer of the product. The operational range specified by the manufacturer for an alternative disinfectant shall be written in the pool records.

(6) The swimming pool shall be inspected at least annually by the local inspection agency. The inspection shall be limited to a review of the records and a survey of the swimming pool for sanitation and obvious safety hazards.

**15.4(7) Reports.** Swimming pool and spa operators shall report to the local inspection agency, within one business day of occurrence, all deaths; near drowning incidents; head, neck, and spinal cord injuries; and any injury which renders a person unconscious or requires immediate medical attention.

**641—15.5(135I) Construction and reconstruction.** A swimming pool constructed or reconstructed after May 4, 2005, shall comply with the following standards. Nothing in these rules is intended to exempt swimming pools and associated structures from any applicable federal, state or local laws, rules, or ordinances. Applicable requirements may include, but are not limited to, the handicapped access and energy requirements of the state building code, the fire and life safety requirements of the state fire marshal, the rules of the department of workforce development, and the rules of the department of natural resources.

**15.5(1) Construction permit.**

*a. Permit required.* No swimming pool shall be constructed or reconstructed without the owner or a designated representative of the owner first receiving a permit from the department. Construction shall be completed within 24 months from the date the construction permit is issued unless an extension is granted in writing by the department.

*b. Permit application.* The owner of a proposed or existing facility or a designated representative of the owner shall apply for a construction permit on forms provided by the department. The application shall be submitted to the department at least 15 days prior to the start of construction of a new swimming pool or the reconstruction of an existing swimming pool.

*c. Plan submission and fee.* Three sets of plans and specifications shall be submitted with the application. A nonrefundable plan review fee for each swimming pool, leisure river, water slide, wave pool, wading pool, spray pad, zero-depth swimming pool, and multisection water recreation pool shall be remitted with the application as required in 15.12(3).

*d. Notification of completion.* The owner of a newly constructed or reconstructed swimming pool, or the owner’s designated representative, shall notify the department in writing at least 15 business days prior to opening the swimming pool.

**15.5(2) Plans and specifications.**

*a. Plan certification.* Plans and specifications shall be sealed and certified in accordance with the rules of the engineering and land surveying examining board or the architectural examining board by an engineer or architect licensed to practice in Iowa. This requirement may be waived by the department if the project is the addition or replacement of a chemical feed system, including a disinfection system, or a simple replacement of a filter or pump or both.

If the requirement for engineering plans is waived, the owner of the facility assumes full responsibility for ensuring that the reconstruction complies with these rules and with any other applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances.

*b. Content of plans.* Plans and specifications submitted shall contain sufficient information to demonstrate to the department that the proposed swimming pool will meet the requirements of this chapter. The plans and specifications shall include, but may not be limited to:

(1) The name and address of the owner and the name, address, and telephone number of the architect or engineer responsible for the plans and specifications. If a swimming pool contractor applies for a construction permit, the name, address and telephone number of the swimming pool contractor shall be included.

(2) The location of the project by street address or other legal description.

(3) A site plan showing the pool in relation to buildings, streets, water and sewer service, gas service, and electrical service.

(4) Detailed scale drawings of the swimming pool and its appurtenances, including a plan view and cross sections at a scale of 3/32 inch per ft or larger. The location of inlets, overflow system components, main drains, the deck and deck drainage, the location and size of pool piping, the swimming pool ladders, stairs and deck equipment, including diving stands and boards, and fencing shall be shown.

(5) A drawing(s) showing the location, plan, and elevation of filters, pumps, chemical feeders, ventilation devices, heaters, and surge tanks; and additional drawings or schematics showing operating levels, backflow preventers, valves, piping, flow meters, pressure gauges, thermometers, the make-up water connection, and the drainage system for the disposal of filter backwash water.

(6) Plan and elevation drawings of bathhouse facilities including dressing rooms; lockers; showers, toilets and other plumbing fixtures; water supply; drain and vent systems; gas service; water heating equipment; electrical fixtures; and ventilation systems, if provided.

(7) Complete technical specifications for the construction of the swimming pool, for the swimming pool equipment and for the swimming pool appurtenances.

*c. Deviation from plans.* No deviation from the plans and specifications or conditions of approval shall be made without prior approval of the department.

**15.5(3) General design.**

*a.* Construction of fill and drain wading pools is prohibited.

*b.* Materials. Swimming pools shall be constructed of materials which are inert, stable, nontoxic, watertight, and durable.

*c.* Structural loading.

(1) Swimming pools shall be designed and constructed to withstand the anticipated structural loading. If maintenance of the structural integrity of the swimming pool requires specific operations or limits of operation, these shall be specified in the permanent operations manual required in 15.5(3)“*f.*”

(2) Except for aboveground swimming pools, a hydrostatic relief valve or a suitable underdrain system shall be provided.

*d.* Water supply. The water supplied to a swimming pool shall be from a water supply meeting the requirements of the department of natural resources for potable water.

(1) Water supplied to a swimming pool shall be discharged to the pool system through an air gap, or a reduced-pressure principle backflow device complying with AWWA C-511-97, “Reduced-Pressure Principle Backflow-Prevention Assembly.”

(2) Each hose bib at a facility shall be equipped with an atmospheric vacuum breaker or a hose connection backflow preventer.

*e.* No part of a swimming pool recirculation system may be directly connected to a sanitary sewer. An air break or an air gap shall be provided.

*f.* Operations manual. The owner shall require that a permanent manual for the operation of the facility be provided. The manual shall include, but may not be limited to:

(1) Instructions for routine operations at the swimming pool including, but not necessarily limited to:

1. Filter backwash or cleaning.
2. Maintaining the chemical supply for the chemical feed systems.
3. Vacuuming and cleaning the swimming pool.
4. Swimming pool water testing procedures, including the frequency of testing.
5. Superchlorination.
6. Controller sensor maintenance and calibration, including the recommended frequency of maintenance.

(2) For each centrifugal pump, a pump performance curve plotted on an 8½" × 11" or larger sheet.

(3) For each chemical feeder, the maximum rated output listed in weight per time or volume per time units.

(4) Basic operating and maintenance instructions for swimming pool equipment that requires cleaning, adjustment, lubrication, or parts replacement, with recommended maintenance frequencies or the parameters that would indicate a need for maintenance.

g. A schematic drawing of the pool recirculation system shall be posted in the swimming pool filter room or shall be in the operations manual. Clear labeling of the swimming pool piping with flow direction and water status (unfiltered, treated, backwash) may be substituted for the schematic drawing.

h. A permanent file containing the operations and maintenance manuals for the equipment installed at the swimming pool shall be established. The file shall include a source for parts or maintenance for the equipment at the swimming pool. The file may be located in a location other than the facility, but it shall be readily available to the facility management and maintenance staff.

**15.5(4) Decks.**

a. *Deck width.* A swimming pool shall be surrounded by a deck. The deck shall be at least 6 ft wide for a Class A swimming pool, and 4 ft wide for a Class B swimming pool, and shall extend at least 4 ft beyond the diving stands, lifeguard chairs, swimming pool slides, or any other deck equipment.

b. *Materials.* Decks shall be constructed of stable, nontoxic, durable, and impervious materials and shall be provided with a slip-resistant surface.

c. *Deck coverings.* Porous, nonfibrous deck coverings may be used, subject to department approval, provided that:

(1) The covering allows drainage so that the covering and the deck underneath it do not remain wet or retain moisture.

(2) The covering is inert and will not support bacterial growth.

(3) The covering provides a slip-resistant surface.

(4) The covering is durable and cleanable.

d. *Deck drainage.* The deck of a swimming pool shall not drain to the pool or to the pool recirculation system except as provided in 15.5(15) "c" and 15.5(16) "b." For deck-level swimming pools ("rim flow" or "rollout" gutter), a maximum of 5 ft of deck may slope to the gutter.

e. *Deck slope.* The deck slope shall be at least 1/8 inch/ft and no more than 1/2 inch/ft to drain. The deck shall be designed and constructed so that there is no standing water on the deck during normal operation of the facility.

f. *Surface runoff.* For outdoor swimming pools, the drainage for areas outside the facility and for nondeck areas within the facility shall be designed and constructed to keep the drainage water off the deck and out of the swimming pool.

g. *Carpeting.* The installation of a floor covering of synthetic material may be used only in separate sunbathing, patio, or refreshment areas, except as permitted by 15.5(4) "c."

h. *Hose bibs.* At least one hose bib shall be provided for flushing the deck.

i. *Rinse showers.* If users are permitted free access between the deck and an adjacent sand play area without having to pass through a bathhouse, a rinse shower area shall be installed between the deck and the sand play area. Fences, barriers and other structures shall be installed so that users must pass through the rinse shower area when going from the sand play area to the deck.

(1) Tempered water shall be provided for the rinse shower(s).

(2) The rinse shower area shall have sufficient drainage so that there is no standing water.

(3) Foot surfaces in the rinse shower area shall be impervious and slip-resistant.

**15.5(5) Recirculation.**

a. *Combined recirculation.* Except for wading pools, two or more swimming pools may share the same recirculation system. A wading pool shall have a recirculation system separate from any other wading pool or swimming pool.

(1) The recirculation flow rate for each swimming pool shall be calculated in accordance with 15.5(5) "b." The recirculation flow rate for the system shall be at least the arithmetic sum of the recirculation flow rates of the swimming pools.

(2) The flow to each pool shall be adjustable. A flow meter shall be provided for each pool.

b. *Recirculation flow rate.* The recirculation flow rate shall provide for the treatment of one pool volume within:

- (1) Four hours for a swimming pool with a volume of 30,000 gal or less.
- (2) Six hours for a swimming pool with a volume of more than 30,000 gal.
- (3) Two hours for a wave pool.
- (4) Four hours for a zero-depth pool.
- (5) One hour for a wading pool.
- (6) One hour for a water slide plunge pool.
- (7) Four hours for a leisure river.
- (8) Thirty minutes for a spray pad with its own filter system.
- (9) For swimming pools with skimmers, the recirculation flow rate shall be at least 30 gpm per skimmer or the recirculation flow rate defined above, whichever is greater.

The recirculation flow rate for pools not specified in 15.5(5) "b"(1) to (9) shall be determined by the department.

*c. Recirculation pump.* The recirculation pump(s) shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50 and shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) The pump(s) shall supply the recirculation flow rate required by 15.5(5) "b" at a TDH of at least that given in "1," "2," or "3" below, unless a lower TDH is shown by the designer to be appropriate. A valve for regulating the rate of flow shall be provided in the recirculation pump discharge piping.

1. 40 feet for vacuum filters; or
2. 60 feet for pressure sand filters; or
3. 70 feet for pressure diatomaceous earth filters or cartridge filters.

(2) For sand filter systems, the pump and filter system shall be designed so that each filter can be backwashed at a rate of at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(3) If a pump is located at an elevation higher than the pool water surface, it shall be self-priming or the piping shall be arranged to prevent the loss of pump prime when the pump is stopped.

(4) Where a vacuum filter is used, a vacuum limit control shall be provided on the pump suction line. The vacuum limit switch shall be set for a maximum vacuum of 18 in Hg.

(5) A compound vacuum-pressure gauge shall be installed on the pump suction line as close to the pump as practical. A vacuum gauge may be used for pumps with suction lift. A pressure gauge shall be installed on the pump discharge line as close to the pump as practical. Gauges shall be of such a size and located so that they may be easily read by the facility staff.

(6) On pressure filter systems, a hair and lint strainer shall be installed on the suction side of each recirculation pump. The hair and lint strainer basket shall be readily accessible for cleaning, changing, or inspection. A spare strainer basket shall be provided, except where the strainer basket has a volume of 15 gallons or more. This requirement may be waived for systems using vertical turbine pumps or pumps designed for solids handling.

*d. Swimming pool water heaters.*

(1) A heating coil, pipe or steam hose shall not be installed in a swimming pool.

(2) Gas-fired pool water heaters shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/AGA Z21.56-2001, ANSI/AGA Z21.56a-2004, and ANSI/AGA Z21.26b-2004. The data plate of the heater shall bear the AGA mark.

(3) Electric pool water heaters shall comply with the requirements of UL 1261 and shall bear the UL mark.

(4) A swimming pool water heater with an input of greater than 400,000 BTU/hour (117 kilowatts) shall have a water heating vessel constructed in accordance with ASME Boiler Code, Section 8. The data plate of the heater shall bear the ASME mark.

(5) A thermometer shall be installed in the piping to measure the temperature of the water returning to the pool. The thermometer shall be located so that it may be easily read by the facility staff.

(6) Combustion air shall be provided for fuel-burning water heaters as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.

(7) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be vented as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.

(8) Each fuel-burning water heater shall be equipped with a pressure relief valve sized for the energy capacity of the water heater.

*e. Flow meters.*

(1) Each swimming pool recirculation system shall be provided with a permanently installed flow meter to measure the recirculation flow rate.

(2) In a multiple pool system, a flow meter shall be provided for each pool.

(3) A flow meter shall be accurate within 5 percent of the actual flow rate between  $\pm 20$  percent of the recirculation flow rate specified in 15.5(5) "b" or the nominal recirculation flow rate specified by the designer.

(4) A flow meter shall be installed on a straight length of pipe with sufficient clearance from valves, elbows or other sources of turbulence to attain the accuracy required by 15.5(5) "e"(3). The flow meter shall be installed so that it may be easily read by facility staff, or a remote readout of the flow rate shall be installed where it may be easily read by the facility staff. The designer may be required to provide documentation that the installation meets the requirements of subparagraph (3).

*f. Vacuum cleaning system.*

(1) A swimming pool vacuum cleaning system capable of reaching all parts of the pool bottom shall be provided.

(2) A vacuum system may be provided which utilizes the attachment of a vacuum hose to the suction piping through a skimmer.

(3) Automatic vacuum systems may be used provided they are capable of removing debris from all parts of the swimming pool bottom.

**15.5(6) Filtration.** A filter shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50 and shall comply with the following requirements:

*a. Pressure gauges.* Each pressure filter shall have a pressure gauge on the inlet side. Gauges shall be of such a size and located so that they may be read easily by the facility staff. A differential pressure gauge that gives the difference between the inlet and outlet pressure of the filter may be used in place of a pressure gauge.

*b. Air relief valve.* An air relief valve shall be provided for each pressure filter.

*c. Backwash water visible.* Backwash water from a pressure filter shall discharge through an observable free fall, or a sight glass shall be installed in the backwash discharge line.

*d. Indirect discharge required.* Backwash water shall be discharged indirectly to a sanitary sewer or another point of discharge approved by the department of natural resources.

*e. Rapid sand filter.*

(1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 3 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

*f. High-rate sand filter.*

(1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(3) If more than one filter tank is served by a pump, the designer shall demonstrate that the backwash flow rate to each filter tank meets the requirements of subparagraph (2) above, or an isolation valve shall be installed at each filter tank to permit each filter to be backwashed individually.

*g. Vacuum sand filter.*

(1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(3) An equalization screen shall be provided to evenly distribute the filter influent over the surface of the filter sand.

(4) Each filter system shall have an automatic air-purging cycle.

*h. Sand filter media shall comply with the filter manufacturer's specifications.*

*i. Diatomaceous earth filter.*

(1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 1.5 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of effective filter area except that a maximum filtration rate of 2.0 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> may be allowed where continuous body feed is provided.

(2) Diatomaceous earth filter systems shall have piping to allow recycling of the filter effluent during precoat.

(3) Waste diatomaceous earth shall be discharged to a sanitary sewer or other point of discharge approved by the department of natural resources. The discharge may be subject to the requirements of the local wastewater utility.

*j. Cartridge filter.*

(1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 0.38 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(2) A duplicate set of cartridges shall be provided.

*k. Other filter systems may be used if approved by the department.*

**15.5(7) Piping.**

*a. Piping standards.* Swimming pool piping shall conform to applicable nationally recognized standards and shall be specified for use within the limitations of the manufacturer's specifications. Swimming pool piping shall comply with the applicable requirements of NSF/ANSI Standard 61, "Drinking Water System Components—Health Effects." Plastic swimming pool pipe shall comply with the requirements of NSF/ANSI Standard 14, "Plastic Piping Components and Related Materials," for potable water pipe.

*b. Pipe sizing.* Swimming pool recirculation piping shall be sized so water velocities do not exceed 6 ft/sec for suction flow and 10 ft/sec for pressure flow. Gravity piping shall be sized in accordance with recognized engineering principles.

*c. Overflow system piping.* The piping for an overflow perimeter gutter system shall be designed to convey at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate. The piping for a skimmer system shall be designed to convey at least 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*d. Main drain piping.* The main drains and main drain piping shall be designed to convey 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*e. Play feature circulation.* Where there are attractions, such as water slides, fountains and play features, that circulate water to the swimming pool and through the main drain and overflow systems, the main drain and overflow systems and the associated piping shall be designed to accommodate the combined flow of the recirculation system and the attractions within the requirements of paragraph "b" above and the applicable requirements of 15.5(9) and 15.5(10).

**15.5(8) Inlets.**

*a. Inlets required.* Wall inlets or floor inlets, or both, shall be provided for a swimming pool. The inlets shall be adequate in design, number, location, and spacing to ensure effective distribution of treated water and the maintenance of a uniform disinfectant residual throughout the swimming pool. The designer may be required to provide documentation of adequate distribution. The department may require dye testing of a pool.

*b. Wall inlet spacing.* Where wall inlets are used, they shall be no more than 20 ft apart around the perimeter of the area with an inlet within 5 ft of each corner of the swimming pool.

(1) There shall be at least one inlet at each stairway or ramp leading into a swimming pool.

(2) Except for wading pools, wall inlets shall be located at least 6 inches below the design water surface.

(3) Wall inlets in pools with skimmers shall be directional flow-type inlets.

(4) Each inlet shall have a directional flow inlet fitting with an opening of 1-inch diameter or less, or a fixed fitting with openings ½ inch wide or less.

*c. Floor inlets.* Floor inlets shall be provided for the areas of a zero-depth swimming pool or wave pool where the water is less than 2 ft deep and may be used throughout a swimming pool in lieu of or in combination with wall inlets. Floor inlets shall be no more than 20 ft apart in the area where they are used. There shall be floor inlets within 15 ft of each wall of the swimming pool in the area where they are used. Floor inlets shall be flush with the pool floor.

**15.5(9) Overflow system.**

*a. Skimmers.* Recessed automatic surface skimmers shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50 except that an

equalizer is not required for a skimmer installed in a swimming pool equipped with an automatic water level maintenance device.

- (1) Skimmers may be used for swimming pools which are no more than 30 ft wide.
- (2) A swimming pool shall have at least one skimmer for each 500 ft<sup>2</sup> of surface area or fraction thereof.
- (3) Each skimmer shall be designed for a flow-through rate of at least 30 gpm or 3.8 gpm per lineal inch of weir, whichever is greater. The combined flow capacity of the skimmers in a swimming pool shall not be less than the total recirculation rate.
- (4) Each skimmer shall have a weir that adjusts automatically to variations in water level of at least 4 inches.
- (5) Each skimmer shall be equipped with a device to control flow through the skimmer.
- (6) If a swimming pool is not equipped with an automatic water level maintenance device, each skimmer that is a suction outlet shall have an operational equalizer. The equalizer opening in the swimming pool shall be covered with a fitting listed by a listing agency approved by the department as meeting the requirements of ANSI/ASME A112.19.8M-1987.
- (7) A skimmer pool shall have an approved handhold around the perimeter of the pool. The handhold shall be 9 inches or less above the minimum skimmer operation level.

*b. Perimeter overflow gutters.*

- (1) A perimeter overflow gutter system is required for a swimming pool greater than 30 ft in width, except for a wave pool or a wading pool.
- (2) The overflow weir shall extend completely around the swimming pool, except at stairs, ramps, or water slide flumes.
- (3) The gutter shall be designed to provide a handhold and to prevent entrapment.
- (4) Drop boxes, converters, return piping, or flumes used to convey water from the gutter shall be designed to convey 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate. The flow capacity of the gutter and the associated plumbing shall be sufficient to prevent backflow of skimmed water into the swimming pool.
- (5) Gutter overflow systems shall be designed with an effective surge capacity within the gutter system and surge tank of not less than 1 gal/ft<sup>2</sup> of swimming pool surface area. In-pool surge may be permitted for prefabricated gutter systems, subject to the approval of the department.

*c. Alternative overflow systems.* Overflow systems not meeting all of the requirements in 15.5(9) "a" or 15.5(9) "b" may be used if the designer can provide documentation that the alternative overflow system will skim the pool water surface at least as effectively as a skimmer system.

**15.5(10) Main drain system.**

*a. Main drains.* Each swimming pool shall have two or more main drains or a single main drain with an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup>. The main drains shall be connected to the recirculation system.

- (1) Main drains shall be at least 3 ft apart on center and shall be connected in parallel.
- (2) Each main drain and its associated piping in a swimming pool shall be designed for the same flow rate. The piping system shall be designed to equalize flow among the main drains.
- (3) If two main drains are installed, each main drain and the associated piping shall be designed for at least 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate. Where three main drains are installed, each combination of two main drains and the associated piping shall have a capacity of at least 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*b. Main drain covers.* Each main drain shall be covered with a grate or other approved cover. The water velocity through the open area of the cover shall be no more than 1½ ft/sec based on the recirculation flow rate specified in 15.5(5) "b" or the flow rate specified by the designer, whichever is greater. If an approved antivortex cover is used, the water velocity through the cover openings shall be no more than 6 ft/sec. The main drain cover shall be designed to be securely fastened to the pool so that it is not removable without tools.

*c. Control valve.* There shall be a control valve to adjust the flow between the main drain and the overflow system.



**15.5(11) Disinfection.**

a. Each swimming pool recirculation system approved for construction after May 4, 2005, shall be equipped with an automatic controller for maintenance of the disinfectant level in the swimming pool water. The control output of the controller to the disinfectant feed system shall be based on the continuous measurement of the ORP of the water in the swimming pool recirculation system.

b. No disinfection system designed to use di-chlor or tri-chlor shall be installed for an indoor swimming pool after May 4, 2005.

c. Disinfection system capacity. A continuous feed disinfectant system shall be provided. The disinfectant feed system shall have the capacity to deliver at least 10 mg/L chlorine or bromine equivalent based on the recirculation flow rate required in 15.5(5) "b" for an outdoor swimming pool and 4 mg/L chlorine or bromine equivalent based on the recirculation flow rate required in 15.5(5) "b" for an indoor swimming pool.

d. Feeder listing. A disinfectant feeder (except chlorine gas feed equipment) shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50.

e. Chemical feed stop. The disinfectant system shall be installed so that chemical feed is automatically and positively stopped when the recirculation flow is interrupted.

f. Gas chlorinators. Gas chlorinator facilities shall comply with applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances and the requirements below.

(1) The chlorine supply and gas feeding equipment shall be housed in a separate room or building.

1. No entrance or openable window to the chlorine room shall be to the inside of a building used other than for the storage of chlorine.

2. The chlorine room shall be provided with an exhaust system which takes its suction not more than 8 inches from the floor and discharges out of doors in a direction to minimize the exposure of swimming pool patrons to chlorine gas. The exhaust system shall be capable of producing 15 air changes per hour in the chlorine room.

3. An automatic chlorine leak detector and alarm system shall be provided in the chlorine room. The alarm system shall provide visual and audible alarm signals outside the chlorine room.

4. An air intake shall be provided near the ceiling of the chlorine room. The air intake and the exhaust system outlet shall be at least 4 ft apart.

5. The room shall have a window at least 12 inches square. The window glass shall be shatterproof.

6. The door of the chlorine enclosure shall open outward. The inside of the door shall be provided with panic hardware.

7. The chlorine room shall have adequate lighting.

8. Electrical switches for the exhaust system and for the lighting shall be outside the chlorine room and adjacent to the door, or in an adjoining room.

9. An anchoring system shall be provided so that full and empty chlorine cylinders can be individually secured.

10. Scales shall be provided for weighing the cylinders that are in use.

(2) A chlorine enclosure that is 30 inches deep or less and 72 inches wide or less and that is installed out of doors shall comply with the above requirements except:

1. An automatic chlorine leak detector is not required.

2. The enclosure shall have a window of at least 48 in<sup>2</sup>.

3. The light and exhaust fan may be activated by opening the door rather than by a separate switch.

(3) The chlorinator shall be designed to prevent the backflow of water into the chlorine cylinder.

g. Solution feed. Where a metering pump is used to feed a solution of disinfectant, the disinfectant solution container shall have a capacity of at least one day's supply at the rate specified in 15.5(11) "c," except that when the system is designed to feed directly from a 55-gal shipping container, a larger solution container is not required.

NOTE: Secondary containment must be provided when a tank larger than 55 gallons is installed for the storage of sodium hypochlorite.

*h.* Erosion disinfectant feeders. The storage capacity of an erosion feeder shall be at least one day's supply of disinfectant at the rate specified in 15.5(11) "c."

*i.* Test equipment. Test equipment complying with the following requirements shall be provided.

(1) The test equipment shall provide for the direct measurement of free chlorine and combined chlorine from 0 to 10 ppm in increments of 0.2 ppm or less over the full range, or total bromine from 0 to 20 ppm in increments of 0.5 ppm over the full range.

(2) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of swimming pool water pH from 7.0 to 8.0 with at least five increments in that range.

(3) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of total alkalinity and calcium hardness with increments of 10 ppm or less.

(4) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of cyanuric acid from 30 to 100 ppm. This requirement may be waived for a facility that does not use cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine disinfectant.

**15.5(12) pH control.**

*a.* *pH controller required.* Each swimming pool recirculation system approved for construction after May 4, 2005, shall be equipped with a controller that senses the pH of the swimming pool water, and that automatically controls the operation of a metering pump for the addition of a pH control chemical or the operation of a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas feed system.

*b.* *pH chemical feed required.* Each swimming pool shall have a metering pump for the addition of a pH control chemical to the pool recirculation system, or a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas feed system.

*c.* *Metering pump listing.* A metering pump shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as meeting the requirements of Standard 50.

*d.* *CO<sub>2</sub> cylinder anchors.* Where carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) is used as a method of pH control, an anchoring system shall be provided to individually secure full and empty CO<sub>2</sub> cylinders.

*e.* *Chemical feed stop.* The pH control system shall be installed so that chemical feed is automatically and positively stopped when the recirculation flow is interrupted.

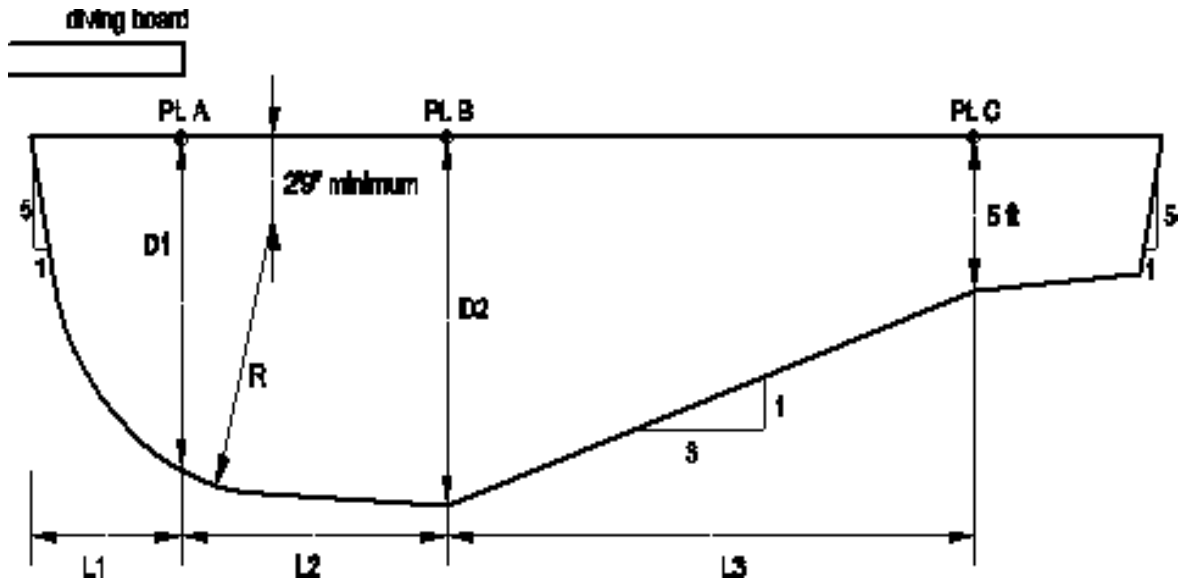
**15.5(13) Safety.**

*a.* Diving areas.

(1) Diving boards are permitted only if the diving area dimensions conform to the minimum requirements shown in Figure 3, Tables 4 and 5. Alternative diving well configurations may be used, subject to the approval of the department, but the boundaries of the diving well shall be outside the boundaries prescribed in these rules. The distances specified in Tables 4 and 5 shall be measured from the top center of the leading edge of the diving board. The reference water level shall be the midpoint of the skimmer opening for a skimmer pool or a stainless steel gutter system with surge weirs. The reference water level for a gutter pool shall be the top of the gutter weir.

(2) Where diving boards are specified that have been advertised or promoted to be "competition" diving boards, the diving area shall comply with the standards of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) or the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFSHSA).

Figure 3



R minimum = Pool depth minus Vertical wall depth from the water line minus 3 inches.

Table 4

Diving Board Height Above Water	Maximum Board Length	Minimum Dimensions					Minimum Width of Pool		
		D1	D2	L1	L2	L3	Pt A	Pt B	Pt C
Deck level to 2/3 meter	10 ft	7 ft	8.5 ft	2.5 ft	8 ft	10.5 ft	16 ft	18 ft	18 ft
Greater than 2/3 meter to 3/4 meter	12 ft	7.5 ft	9 ft	3 ft	9 ft	12 ft	18 ft	20 ft	20 ft
Greater than 3/4 meter to 1 meter	16 ft	8.5 ft	10 ft	4 ft	10 ft	15 ft	20 ft	22 ft	22 ft
Greater than 1 meter to 3 meters	16 ft	11 ft	12 ft	6 ft	10.5 ft	21 ft	22 ft	24 ft	24 ft

Table 5

Diving Board Height Above Water	To Pool Side	To 1-Meter Board	To 3-Meter Board
Deck level to 1 meter	10 ft	8 ft	10 ft
Greater than 1 meter	11 ft	10 ft	10 ft

(3) There shall be a completely unobstructed clear distance of 13 ft above the diving board measured from the center of the front end of the board. This area shall extend at least 8 ft behind, 8 ft to each side, and 16 ft beyond the end of the diving board.

(4) Diving boards and platforms over 3 meters high are prohibited except where approved by the department.

(5) Diving boards and platforms shall have slip-resistant surfaces.

(6) Diving board supports, ladders, and guardrails.

1. Supports, platforms, and steps for diving boards shall be of substantial construction and of sufficient structural strength to safely carry the maximum anticipated loads.

2. Ladders, steps, supports, handrails and guardrails shall be of corrosion-resistant materials or shall be provided with a corrosion-resistant coating. They shall be designed to have no exposed sharp edges. Ladder steps shall have slip-resistant surfaces.

3. Handrails shall be provided at steps and ladders leading to diving boards and diving platforms. Guardrails shall be provided for diving boards and platforms which are more than 1 meter above the water. Guardrails for diving boards and platforms shall be at least 36 inches high and shall have at least one horizontal mid-bar and shall extend to the edge of the water.

*b.* Starting blocks and starting block installation shall meet the requirements of the competition governing body (National Collegiate Athletic Association, USA Swimming, or National Federation of State High School Associations).

*c.* Stairs, ladders, and recessed steps.

(1) Ladders or recessed steps shall be provided in the deep portion of a swimming pool and in the shallow portion if the vertical distance from the bottom of the swimming pool to the deck is more than 2 ft. Stairs or ramps may be used instead of ladders or recessed steps at the shallow end of the swimming pool.

(2) If a swimming pool is over 30 ft wide, recessed steps, ladders, ramps, or stairs shall be installed on each side. If a stairway centered on the shallow end wall of the swimming pool is within 30 ft of each side of the swimming pool, that end of the swimming pool shall be considered in compliance with this subrule.

(3) The foot contact surfaces of stairs, ramps, ladder rungs, and recessed steps shall be slip-resistant.

(4) Ladders.

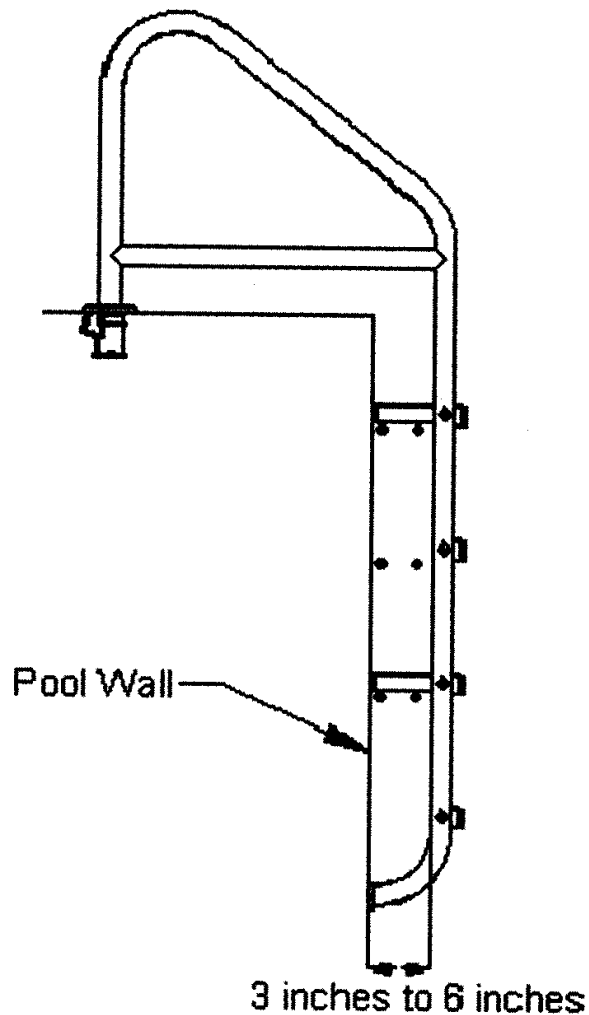
1. Ladders shall have a handrail on each side which extends from below the water surface to the top surface of the deck.

2. Ladders, treads, or supports shall be of a color contrasting with the swimming pool walls; however, stainless steel ladders may be used with stainless steel wall pools.

3. A ladder shall have a tread width of at least 16 inches and a uniform rise of 12 inches or less.

4. The distance between the swimming pool wall and the vertical rail of a ladder shall be no greater than 6 inches and no less than 3 inches. The lower end of each ladder rail shall be securely covered with a smooth nonmetallic cap. The lower end of each ladder rail shall be within 1 inch of the swimming pool wall.

Figure 4



- (5) Recessed steps.
1. Recessed steps shall have a tread depth of at least 5 inches, a tread width of at least 12 inches, and a uniform rise of no more than 12 inches.
  2. Each set of recessed steps shall be equipped with a securely anchored deck-level grab rail on each side.
  3. Recessed steps shall drain to the pool.
- (6) Stairs.
1. Stairs shall have a uniform tread depth of at least 12 inches and a uniform rise of no more than 10 inches. The area of each tread shall be at least 240 in<sup>2</sup>.
  2. Stairs shall be provided with at least one handrail for each 12 ft in width. Handrails shall be between 34 inches and 38 inches high, measured vertically from the line defined by the front edge of the steps.
  3. A stripe at least 1 inch wide of a color contrasting with the step surface and with the swimming pool floor shall be marked at the top front edge of each tread. The stripe shall be slip-resistant.
- (7) Handrails and grab rails.
1. Ladders, handrails, and grab rails shall be designed to be securely anchored so that tools are required for their removal.
  2. Ladders, handrails, and grab rails shall be constructed of corrosion-resistant materials or provided with corrosion-resistant coatings. They shall have no exposed sharp edges.

d. Floor slope. The bottom of the swimming pool shall slope toward the main drain(s). The slope of the swimming pool bottom where the water is less than 5 ft deep shall not exceed 1 ft vertical in 12 ft horizontal.

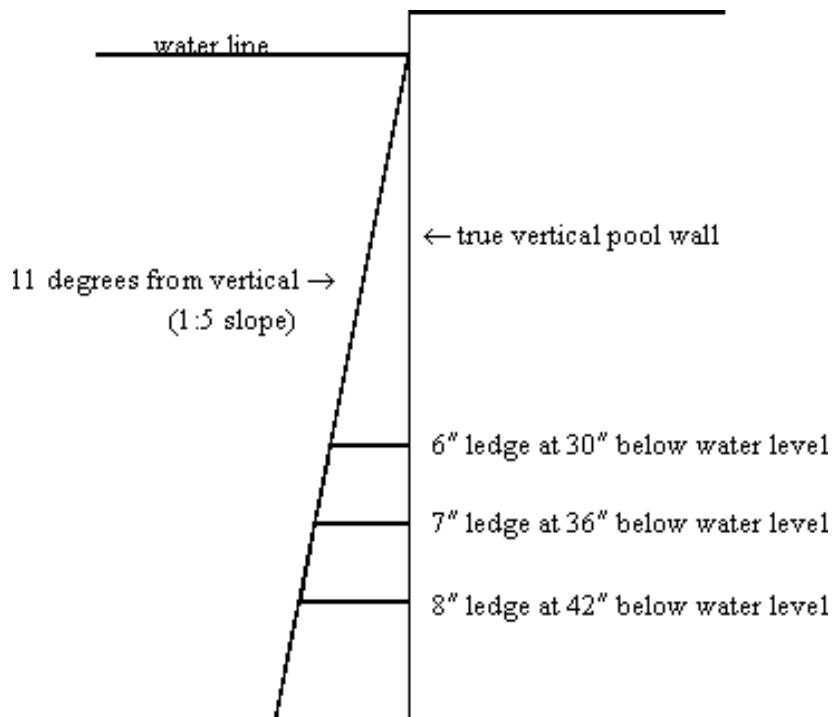
(1) Subject to the approval of the department, a swimming pool may be designed to have the change in slope (from 1:12 or less to a steeper slope) at a point where the water depth is less than 5 ft. The marking requirements of 15.5(13)“f”(3) and 15.5(13)“f”(4) shall apply and, if possible, depth markers which are clearly visible to persons in the pool shall be provided.

(2) For a wave pool, steeper slopes may be approved by the department if they are required for the proper function of the wave pool.

e. Walls.

(1) Walls in the deep section of a swimming pool shall be vertical to a water depth of at least 2.8 ft. If a transition radius is provided, it shall comply with Figure 3.

Figure 5



(2) The term “vertical” is interpreted to permit slopes not greater than 1 ft horizontal for each 5 ft of depth of side wall ( $11^\circ$  from vertical).

(3) Ledges, when provided, shall fall within an  $11^\circ$  line from vertical, starting at the water surface (Figure 5). A ledge shall be no less than 4 inches wide and no more than 8 inches wide. A ledge shall have a slip-resistant surface.

f. Surface finish and markings.

(1) The swimming pool floor shall have a slip-resistant finish.

(2) The bottom and sides of the swimming pool shall be white or a light color. This does not prohibit painting or marking racing lines or turn targets.

(3) Where the slope of a swimming pool bottom in a shallow area changes from 1:12 or less to a slope greater than 1:12, or at the 5-ft depth area, the pool bottom and sides shall be marked with a stripe at least 4 inches wide in a color contrasting with the pool bottom and sides. The stripe shall be on the shallow side of the slope change or 5-ft depth area within 6 inches of the slope change or 5-ft depth area. Depending on the pool configuration, more than one stripe may be required.

(4) A float line with floats no more than 5 ft apart shall be installed on the shallow side of the stripe required in 15.5(13)“f”(3) within 12 inches of the stripe.

(5) The landing area for a swimming pool slide or a water slide which does not terminate in a separate plunge pool shall be delineated by a float line or as approved by the department.

(6) Depth markers.

1. Depth markers shall be painted or otherwise marked on the deck within 3 ft of the edge of a swimming pool. The depth of a wave pool shall also be marked on the side walls of the wave pool above the maximum static water level where the static water depth is 3 ft or more and on the deep-end wall of the wave pool.

2. Depth markers shall be located 25 ft apart or less, center to center, around the full perimeter of a swimming pool.

EXCEPTIONS: Depth markers are not required at the zero-depth end of a wading pool, wave pool, or a zero-depth swimming pool. Depth markers are not required on the deck of a plunge pool on the flume discharge end or on the exit end if stairs are used for exit.

3. The maximum depth of a swimming pool shall be marked on both sides of a swimming pool at the main drain.

4. The water depth of a swimming pool shall be marked at both ends of a float line required by 15.5(13) "f"(4).

5. In shallow water, the depth shall be marked at 1-ft depth intervals starting at one of the points specified in "3" and "4" above, if the 1-ft depth interval is less than 25 ft. The zero depth shall be used as the starting point for a zero-depth swimming pool.

6. In deep water, the words "Deep Water" may be used in place of numerals except as required in "3" above.

7. "No Diving" or equivalent wording or graphics shall be marked on the swimming pool deck within 3 ft of the edge of the swimming pool where the water is shallow and at other pool areas determined by management. The markers shall be 25 ft apart or less, center to center, around the perimeter of the area. This marking is not required at the zero-depth end of a wave pool or of a zero-depth swimming pool. "No Diving" or equivalent wording or graphics shall be marked on the deck of a leisure river in the areas where users will be permitted. The "No Diving" markers shall be within 3 ft of the edge of the leisure river at intervals not to exceed 25 ft on center.

8. Letter, number and graphic markers shall be slip-resistant, of a contrasting color from the deck and at least 4 inches in height.

9. In lieu of the requirements of "1" through "8" above, the maximum depth of a wading pool may be posted in lettering a minimum of 3 inches high at each entrance to the wading pool area and at least at one conspicuous location inside the wading pool enclosure. "No Diving" markers are not required at a wading pool.

10. The depth of a leisure river shall be posted at the entrance(s) to the leisure river in characters at least 3 inches high. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the side wall of the leisure river above the static water level at intervals not to exceed 50 ft on center. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the deck in the areas where users will be permitted. The depth markers shall be within 3 ft of the edge of the leisure river at intervals not to exceed 25 ft on center.

g. Lifeguard chairs. One elevated lifeguard chair or station shall be provided for a swimming pool with a water surface area of 2000 to 4000 ft<sup>2</sup> inclusive; two chairs shall be provided if the area is 4001 to 6000 ft<sup>2</sup>; three chairs shall be provided if the area is 6001 ft<sup>2</sup> or more. A swimming pool is not required to have more than three lifeguard chairs or stations. This requirement does not apply to wave pools, leisure rivers or wading pools.

h. Emergency equipment and facilities.

(1) If a swimming pool facility employs lifeguards, whether required by rule or not, the lifeguards shall be provided with the minimum equipment required by their training including, but not necessarily limited to, rescue tubes and personal CPR masks.

(2) A minimum of one unit of lifesaving equipment shall be provided for each 1500 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface area or fraction thereof. The area of a swimming pool where the water is 2 ft deep or less may be subtracted from the total area for this requirement. A swimming pool is not required to have more than ten units of lifesaving equipment.

(3) A unit of lifesaving equipment consists of at least one of the following:

1. A U.S. Coast Guard-recognized ring buoy fitted with a ¼-inch diameter line with a length at least one-half the width of the pool, but no more than 60 ft; or
2. A life pole with a “shepherd’s crook,” having blunted ends with a minimum length of 8 ft; or
3. A rescue buoy which is made of a hard, buoyant plastic and is provided with molded handgrips along each side, a shoulder strap, and a towing rope between 4 and 6 ft long; or
4. A rescue tube made of a soft, strong foam material 3 inches by 6 inches by 40 inches with a molded strap providing a ring at one end and a hook at the other. Attached to the ring end shall be a 6-ft-long towline with a shoulder strap; or
5. Any other piece of rescue equipment approved by the department.

Rescue equipment identified in 15.5(13)“h”(3)“3” and 15.5(13)“h”(3)“4” above shall be used only at swimming pools where lifeguards are employed.

(4) Whenever lifeguard chairs are provided, each chair shall be equipped with at least one unit of lifesaving equipment.

(5) A standard spine board with straps and head immobilizer shall be provided at each swimming pool where lifeguards are required by rule.

*i.* Pool enclosures.

(1) Except for a fill and drain wading pool, a circulated wading pool that is drained when not in use, or a spray pad, a swimming pool shall be enclosed by a fence, wall, building, or combination thereof not less than 4 ft high. The enclosure shall be constructed of durable materials.

(2) A fence, wall, or other means of enclosure shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere, and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The distance between the ground and the top of the lowest horizontal support accessible from outside the facility, or between the two lowest horizontal supports accessible from outside the facility, shall be at least 45 inches. A horizontal support is accessible if it is on the exterior of the fence relative to the swimming pool, or if the space between the vertical members of a fence is greater than 1¼ inches.

(3) Gates and doors shall be installed in the enclosure for general access, maintenance and emergency access. At least one 36-inch-wide gate or door shall be installed for emergency access. When closed, gates and doors shall comply with the requirements of 15.5(13)“i”(1) and (2). Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard or structured program supervision is provided whenever the swimming pool is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

(4) If a wading pool is within 50 ft of a swimming pool, the wading pool shall have a barrier at least 36 inches high separating it from the swimming pool. A barrier installed after May 4, 2005, shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The barrier shall have at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

The department may approve alternate management of the area between the wading pool and swimming pool at facilities where lifeguards are provided whenever the pools are open. The alternate management plan shall be in writing and shall be at the facility when the pools are open.

(5) An indoor swimming pool shall be enclosed by a barrier at least 3 ft high if there are sleeping rooms, hallways, apartments, condominiums, or permanent recreation areas which are used by children and which open directly into the swimming pool area. No opening in the barrier shall permit the passage of a 4-inch sphere. The barrier shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. There shall be at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door through the barrier. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided whenever the pool is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

*j.* Electrical. Construction or reconstruction shall meet the requirements in Section 680 of the National Electrical Code, 70-05, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269, and the following requirements:

(1) Each electrical outlet in the deck, shower and dressing rooms and the pool water treatment equipment areas shall be equipped with a properly installed ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) at the outlet or at the breaker serving the outlet. Electrical outlets energized through an ORP/pH controller are



not required to have a separate GFCI if the controller is equipped with a GFCI or is energized through a GFCI breaker.

(2) An underwater light circuit shall be equipped with a GFCI unless the underwater light(s) operates at 15 volts or less.

*k. Lighting.* Artificial lighting shall be provided at indoor swimming pools and at outdoor swimming pools which are to be used after sunset in accordance with the following:

(1) Underwater lighting of at least 60 lamp lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 0.5 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface area, located to provide illumination of the entire swimming pool bottom, and area lighting of at least 10 lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 0.6 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of deck area.

(2) If underwater lights are not provided, overhead lighting of at least 30 lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 2.0 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of swimming pool water surface area shall be provided.

*l. Swimming pool slides.* Swimming pool slides shall meet the requirements of the January 1, 2004, product standard of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CFR Title 16, Part 1207). Swimming pool slides shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**15.5(14) Wading pools.** Wading pools shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) to 15.5(13), except as modified below.

*a.* A wading pool shall have at least 4 ft of deck.

*b.* Overflow system.

(1) Intermittent fixed weir overflow structures, including gutters, overflow fixtures, and drains at zero depth may be used. They shall have a hydraulic capacity of at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate. The designer shall be responsible for demonstrating that the overflow system will provide adequate skimming.

(2) If skimmers are used, there shall be at least one skimmer for every 500 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface area or fraction thereof.

1. The recirculation flow rate shall be at least 3.8 gpm per lineal inch of skimmer weir or as required in 15.5(5) "b," whichever is greater.

2. The skimmer(s) suction line may be connected to the main drain line in lieu of an equalizer.

3. A skimmer(s) may be used in combination with overflow drains in a zero-depth wading pool.

*c. Main drains.* Each wading pool shall have at least two main drains or a single main drain with an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup>. Each drain shall have a cover that meets the requirements of 15.5(10) "b." Each drain that is a suction outlet shall have an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup>.

*d. Inlet system.* Inlets shall be designed to uniformly distribute treated water throughout the wading pool. Wall and floor inlets or other means may be used, alone or in combination. The designer shall be responsible for demonstrating that the inlet system will provide adequate distribution of the treated water.

**15.5(15) Wave pools.** Wave pools shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) to 15.5(13), except as modified below.

*a. Overflow not required.* Perimeter overflow gutters and skimmers are not required on the deep-end wall where the wave generation equipment is located.

*b. Overflow drain at zero depth.* There shall be an overflow drain or weir across the full width of the zero-depth end of the wave pool. Full width is interpreted to allow construction joints at each end of the drain. The combined length of the joints shall be no more than 10 percent of the width of the end of the pool.

The drain shall be covered with a grate designed to prevent entrapment. The grate shall be designed so that it is securely fastened to the pool floor and cannot be removed without a tool or tools.

*c. Deck above zero depth.* The deck above the overflow drain at the zero-depth end of the pool may slope to the overflow drain for a distance no greater than 15 ft. The deck slope shall be no greater than 1 ft vertical in 12 ft horizontal.

*d. Overflow gutter or fittings.* There shall be a perimeter overflow gutter or overflow fittings along both sides of the wave pool where the water is 3 ft deep or more.

(1) If a perimeter overflow gutter is used, it shall be designed to prevent entrapment during wave action. Overflow grates shall be securely fastened so they will not be dislodged by wave action.

(2) Overflow fittings need not be continuous, but they shall be spaced no more than 10 ft apart.

*e. Overflow capacity.* The combined hydraulic capacity of the overflow drain at zero depth and the gutter or overflow outlets shall be at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*f. Main drains.* A main drain system shall be provided which complies with the requirements of 15.5(10).

*g. Wave generator openings.* Openings or connections between the wave pool and the wave generation equipment shall be designed to prevent entrapment of users.

*h. Side barrier.* There shall be a continuous barrier along the full length of each side of a wave pool. The barrier shall be at least 42 inches high and installed no more than 3 ft from the side of the wave pool.

*i. Emergency switches.* Emergency switches which will stop the wave action shall be provided in at least four locations on the deck of the wave pool. Switch locations shall be marked by signs or contrasting bright colors.

*j. Float line.* A wave pool shall be equipped with a float line with floats spaced no more than 5 ft apart. The float line shall be located at least 6 ft from the deep-end wall. Users shall not be permitted between the float line and the deep-end wall.

**15.5(16) Zero-depth swimming pools.** Zero-depth swimming pools shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) to 15.5(13), except as modified below.

*a. Overflow drain at zero depth.* There shall be an overflow drain or weir across the full width of the zero-depth end of the swimming pool. Full width is interpreted to allow construction joints at each end of the drain. The combined length of the joints shall be no more than 10 percent of the width of the end of the pool.

(1) The drain shall be covered with a grate designed to prevent entrapment. The grate shall be designed so that it is not removable without a tool.

(2) The drain and its associated piping shall be designed to convey at least 50 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*b. Deck above zero depth.* The deck above the overflow drain at the zero-depth end of the pool may slope to the overflow drain for a distance no greater than 15 ft. The deck slope shall be no greater than 1 ft vertical in 12 ft horizontal.

*c. Perimeter overflow gutter.* If a perimeter overflow gutter is provided, the gutter may be interrupted in the area where the water is less than 2 ft deep provided that:

(1) The length of the perimeter overflow gutter and overflow drain shall be at least 60 percent of the total pool perimeter.

(2) The hydraulic capacity of the perimeter overflow gutter system combined with the overflow drain shall be at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*d. Skimmers.* Recessed automatic surface skimmers may be used with the overflow drain at zero depth in accordance with 15.5(9)“a.” The hydraulic capacity of the skimmer/drain system shall be at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

**15.5(17) Water slides.** Water slides shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) to 15.5(13) and the following:

*a. Flume construction.* A water slide flume shall comply with the following:

(1) The flume shall be perpendicular to the plunge or swimming pool wall for at least 10 ft from the flume end.

(2) The flume shall be sloped no more than 1 ft vertical in 10 ft horizontal for at least 10 ft before the end of the flume.

(3) The flume shall terminate between 6 inches below and 2 inches above the design water level in the plunge pool or swimming pool.

(4) There shall be at least 5 ft between the side of the plunge pool or swimming pool and the side of the flume. Adjacent flumes shall be at least 10 ft apart on center.

(5) The inside surface of a flume shall be smooth and continuous.

(6) The flume shall be designed to ensure that users cannot be thrown out of the flume and to minimize user collisions with the sides of the flume.

(7) The flume shall have no sharp edges within reach of a user while the user is in the proper riding position.

(8) The flume path shall be designed to prevent users from becoming airborne while in the ride.

*b. Water slide landing areas.* The landing area for a water slide flume shall comply with the following:

(1) The water depth shall be at least 3 ft and no more than 4 ft at the end of the flume and for at least 15 ft beyond the end of the flume.

(2) The landing area floor may slope up to a minimum of 2 ft water depth subject to (1) above. The slope shall be no greater than 1 ft vertical in 12 ft horizontal.

(3) There shall be at least 20 ft between the end of the flume and any barrier or steps.

(4) If the water slide flume ends in a swimming pool, the landing area shall be divided from the rest of the swimming pool by a float line or as approved by the department.

*c. Speed slides.* A speed slide shall provide for the safe deceleration of the user. A run-out system or a special plunge pool entry system shall control the body position of the user relative to the slide to provide for a safe exit from the ride.

*d. Decks.* The deck around a water slide plunge pool shall be at least 4 ft wide, except on the side where the flume enters the pool. A walkway which is at least 4 ft wide and meets the requirements of a deck shall be provided between the plunge pool and the slide steps.

*e. Alternate overflow systems.* Intermittent fixed weir overflow structures may be used for a separate plunge pool if:

(1) Floor inlets are provided according to the requirements of 15.5(8) "c."

(2) The hydraulic capacity of the combined overflow structures and the appurtenant piping is at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate. The department may require more hydraulic capacity based on the specific design of the plunge pool system.

*f. Pump reservoir.* If a pump reservoir or surge tank is provided, it shall have a capacity of at least one minute of the combined recirculation and flume flow. Openings between the plunge pool and the pump reservoir or surge tank shall be designed and constructed in accordance with 15.5(10) "a" and "b."

*g. Swimming pool water level.* If the water slide flume ends in a swimming pool, the water level shall not be lowered more than 1 inch when the flume pump(s) is operating.

*h. Suction outlets.* If a suction outlet is in a plunge pool or in a swimming pool, it shall be located away from normal water slide user traffic areas. One of the following designs shall be used:

(1) Multiple outlets may be used. Outlets shall be at least 3 ft apart. The outlets shall be covered with grates or other protective covers approved by the department. Water velocity through the outlet covers shall not exceed 1½ ft/sec.

(2) The outlet shall have an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup>. The outlet shall be covered by a grate or other protective cover approved by the department. Water velocity through the outlet cover shall not exceed 1½ ft/sec.

*i. Outlet covers.* An outlet cover shall be designed to prevent user entrapment. It shall be securely fastened to the pool or to the outlet pipe so it cannot be removed without tools.

*j. Water slide support structure.* The support structure for a water slide and for any access stairs or ramps shall be designed and constructed to withstand the anticipated structural loading, both static and dynamic, including wind forces.

*k. Stairs.* A stairway providing access to the top of a water slide shall be at least 2 ft wide. Stair surfaces shall be slip-resistant and easily cleanable. The stairway shall comply with the applicable requirements of state and local building codes and Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements.

*l. Alternate water slide designs.* Water slides differing substantially from the standards in this subrule may be approved if the designer provides sufficient information to demonstrate to the department that the slide and its landing area can be operated safely.

**15.5(18) Multisection water recreation pools.** A multisection water recreation pool shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) to 15.5(13) and the following:

*a. Recirculation flow rate.* The minimum recirculation flow rate for a multisection water recreation pool shall be determined by computing the recirculation flow rate for each section of the pool in accordance with 15.5(5) "b" and adding the flow rates together.

*b. Water distribution.* The treated water distribution system shall be designed to return treated water to the sections of the pool in proportion to the flow rates determined in "a" above.

*c. Float lines.* Each section of a multisection water recreation pool shall be separated from the other sections by a float line meeting the requirements of 15.5(13) "f"(4).

**15.5(19) Spray pads.** A spray pad shall comply with the applicable provisions of 15.5(1) through 15.5(13) and the following:

*a.* The surface of a spray pad shall be impervious and durable. Padding specifically designed for spray pads may be used with play features. The padding shall be water resistant or shall permit full drainage without retaining water in its structure. Walking surfaces shall be slip-resistant.

*b.* The spray pad surface shall slope to drain at least 1/8 inch per ft, but no more than 1/2 inch per ft. Deck or other areas outside the spray pad shall not drain into the spray pad.

*c.* A spray pad shall be exempt from fencing requirements (15.5(13) "i"); "No Lifeguard" sign requirements (15.4(6) "d"); safety equipment requirements (15.4(4) "f"); and depth marking requirements (15.4(4) "j"). Unless the spray pad is supervised by facility staff, a sign shall be posted near the spray pad that addresses:

- (1) No running on or around the spray pad.
- (2) No rough play.
- (3) No facility supervision. Parents are responsible for supervising their children.

Facility management may adopt and post other rules deemed necessary for user safety and the proper operation of the spray pad.

*d.* Spray pad drains shall be gravity outlets. At least two drains shall be provided, or a single drain with an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup> shall be provided. The drain cover shall meet the requirements for a main drain cover in 15.5(10) "b." The drain and associated piping shall be designed for 125 percent of the flow into the spray pad (play feature and recirculation, as applicable).

*e.* Spray pads with independent treatment systems.

(1) The minimum volume of water for a spray pad shall be two minutes of the flow of the play features and the recirculation system combined.

(2) The water storage tank shall have a volume of at least 125 percent of the volume specified in (1). The tank shall be accessible for cleaning and inspection.

(3) The recirculation (treatment) system and the play feature pump and piping system shall be separate.

(4) The recirculation system inlet(s) and outlet(s) within the water storage tank shall be designed to ensure a uniform disinfectant concentration and pH level throughout the water volume of the spray pad.

(5) The play feature pump system shall be designed so that it will not operate if the recirculation system is not operating.

(6) There shall be a readily accessible sample tap in the equipment area that allows sampling of the water in the play feature piping.

*f.* Spray pads using water from an adjacent swimming pool or wading pool.

(1) If there is a suction outlet in the swimming pool or wading pool for the play feature pump(s), the outlet shall be designed as a main drain as specified in 15.5(10). Water velocity through the outlet cover shall be 1½ ft per sec or less.

(2) If the adjacent pool has a volume of 10,000 gallons or less, or if the spray pad water is circulated directly from the swimming pool surge tank, the spray pad pump system shall be equipped for automatic supplemental disinfection in accordance with 15.5(11), except that the disinfection capacity shall be at least one-half of the capacity specified in 15.5(11) "c"; with filtration in accordance with 15.5(6); or both.

*g.* Play features and sprays shall be designed and installed so that they do not create a safety hazard.

(1) Surface sprays shall be flush with the spray pad surface. Spray openings shall have a diameter of ½ inch or less. Noncircular spray openings shall have a width of ½ inch or less.

(2) Aboveground features shall not present a tripping hazard. Features shall have no sharp edges or points and no rough surfaces. Aboveground features shall be constructed of corrosion-resistant materials or provided with a corrosion-resistant coating. Accessible spray openings shall have a diameter of ½ inch or less. Noncircular accessible spray openings shall have a width of ½ inch or less.

**15.5(20) Leisure rivers.** A leisure river shall comply with the applicable requirements of 15.5(1) through 15.5(13) and the following:

- a. The leisure river propulsion system and recirculation system shall be separate.
- b. Intermittent fixed weir structures may be used for the overflow system. At least two separate fixed weir structures shall be used. The hydraulic capacity of the overflow system using fixed weir structures shall be at least 125 percent of the recirculation flow rate. Fixed weir structures shall be designed to prevent entrapment of leisure river users.
- c. A deck as specified in 15.5(4) is not required in areas where users are not permitted. A leisure river and the area on the inside and outside perimeter of the leisure river shall be designed to ensure that lifeguard staff and emergency personnel can access any part of the leisure river quickly and to provide a sufficient hard surface area for emergency functions.
- d. The depth of a leisure river shall be posted conspicuously at the entrance(s) to the leisure river in characters at least 3 inches high. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the side wall of the leisure river above the static water level at intervals not to exceed 50 ft on center. The depth of the leisure river shall be marked on the deck in the areas where users are permitted. The depth markers shall be within 3 ft of the edge of the leisure river at intervals not to exceed 25 ft on center.
- e. “No Diving” characters or graphics shall be marked every 25 ft on center on the deck in deck areas where users are permitted.
- f. At least one user egress point shall be provided for each 500 ft of leisure river length (measured at the centerline) or fraction thereof.
- g. Outlets for the leisure river propulsion system shall be designed as main drains as specified in 15.5(10).

**15.5(21) Showers, dressing rooms, and sanitary facilities.**

a. *Facilities required.* Bather preparation facilities shall be provided at each swimming pool facility except where the swimming pool facility is intended to serve living units such as a hotel, motel, apartment complex, condominium association, dormitory, subdivision, mobile home park, or resident institution.

b. *Swimming pool patron load.* If a bathhouse is provided, the patron load for determining the minimum sanitary fixtures (Table 6) is:

- (1) One individual per 15 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface in shallow areas.
- (2) One individual per 20 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface in deep areas with the exclusion of 300 ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface for each diving board.
- (3) For each swimming pool slide, 200 ft<sup>2</sup> shall be excluded, and for each water slide which terminates in the swimming pool, 300 ft<sup>2</sup> shall be excluded in determining the patron load.

c. *Bathhouses.*

(1) A bathhouse shall be designed and constructed to meet the requirements of the local building ordinance. If no local ordinance is in effect, the bathhouse shall be designed to meet the requirements of the state of Iowa building code, 661—Chapter 16, Iowa Administrative Code.

(2) Bathhouse floors shall have a slip-resistant finish and shall slope at least 1/8 inch/ft to drain. Except as provided in 15.5(19) “c”(3), floor coverings shall comply with the requirements of 15.5(4) “c.”

(3) Olefin, or other approved carpeting, may be permitted in locker room or dressing room areas provided:

1. There is an adequate drip area between the carpeting and the shower room, toilet facilities, swimming pool, or other areas where water can accumulate.
2. Drip areas shall be constructed of materials as described in 15.5(4) “b” and 15.5(4) “c.”
- (4) Bathhouse fixtures shall be provided in accordance with Table 6.

Table 6  
Fixtures Required

Patron Load	Male				Female		
	Showers	Toilets	Urinals	Lavatories	Showers	Toilets	Lavatories
1 - 100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
101 - 200	2	1	2	1	2	3	1
201 - 300	3	1	3	1	3	4	1
301 - 400	4	2	3	2	4	5	2
401 - 500	5	3	3	2	5	6	2
501 - 1000	6	3	4	2	6	7	2

(5) All indoor swimming pool areas, bathhouses, dressing rooms, shower rooms, and toilets shall be ventilated by natural or mechanical means to control condensation and odors.

*d. Showers and lavatories.*

(1) Showers shall be supplied with water at a temperature of at least 90°F and no more than 110°F and at a rate of no more than 3 gpm per shower head.

(2) Soap dispensers or bar soap trays shall be provided at each lavatory and in the showers. Glass soap dispensers are prohibited.

*e. Hose bibs.* At least one hose bib shall be installed within the bathhouse.

*f. Storage-type hot water heaters.*

(1) Gas-fired storage-type hot water heaters shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/AGA Z21.10.1-2001, or with the requirements of ANSI/AGA Z21.10.3-2001. The heater shall bear the mark of the AGA.

(2) Electric storage-type hot water heaters shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/UL 174-1996. The heater shall bear the mark of UL.

(3) Combustion air shall be provided for fuel-burning water heaters as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.

(4) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be vented as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.

#### ADMINISTRATION

#### **641—15.6(135I) Enforcement.**

**15.6(1)** The department may inspect swimming pools and spas regulated by these rules and enforce these rules. A city, county or district board of health may inspect swimming pools and spas regulated by these rules and enforce these rules in accordance with agreements executed with the department pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code chapters 28E and 135I.

**15.6(2)** The inspection agency shall take the following steps when enforcement of these rules is necessary.

*a. Owner notification.* As soon as possible after the violations are noted, the inspection agency shall provide written notification to the owner of the facility that:

(1) Cites each section of the Iowa Code or Iowa Administrative Code violated.

(2) Specifies the manner in which the owner or operator failed to comply.

(3) Specifies the steps required for correcting the violation.

(4) Requests a corrective action plan, including a time schedule for completion of the plan.

(5) Sets a reasonable time limit, not to exceed 30 days from the receipt of the notice, within which the owner of the facility must respond.

*b. Corrective action plan review.* The inspection agency shall review the corrective action plan and approve it or require that it be modified.

*c. Failure to comply.* When the owner of a swimming pool or spa fails to comply with conditions of the written notice, the inspection agency may take enforcement action in accordance with Iowa Code chapters 137 and 135I, or in accordance with local ordinances.

*d. Adverse actions and the appeal process.* If the department determines that the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 135I and these rules have been or are being violated, the department may withhold or revoke the registration of a swimming pool or spa, or the department or the local board of health may order that a swimming pool or spa be closed until corrective action has been taken. If the swimming pool or spa is operated without being registered, or in violation of the order of the department, the department or local inspection agency may request that the county attorney or the attorney general make an application in the name of the state to the district court of the county in which the violations have occurred for an order to enjoin the violations. This remedy is in addition to any other legal remedy available to the department.

(1) A local inspection agency may request that the department withhold or revoke the registration of a swimming pool or spa, or issue an order to close a swimming pool or spa. The request shall be in writing and shall list the violations of Iowa Code chapter 135I and these rules that have occurred or are occurring when the request is made. The local inspection agency shall provide a full accounting of the actions taken by the local inspection agency to enforce Iowa Code chapter 135I and these rules.

(2) Notice of the decision to withhold or revoke the registration for a swimming pool or spa, or an order to close a swimming pool or spa shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The notice shall inform the owner of the right to appeal the decision and the appeal procedures. The local inspection agency and the county attorney in the county where the swimming pool or spa is located shall be notified in writing of the decision or order.

(3) An appeal of a decision to withhold or revoke a registration or of an order to close shall be submitted by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of receipt of the department's notice. The appeal shall be sent to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If such a request is made within the 30-day time period, the decision or order shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the decision or order upon satisfaction that the reason for the decision or order has been or will be removed. After the hearing, or upon default of the applicant or alleged violator, the administrative law judge shall affirm, modify or set aside the decision or order. If no appeal is submitted within 30 days, the decision or order shall become the department's final agency action.

(4) Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be transmitted to the department of inspections and appeals within 5 working days of receipt pursuant to the rules adopted by that department regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the revocation or withholding is based shall be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

(5) The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with 481—Chapter 10.

(6) When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings 10 days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subparagraph 15.6(2) "d"(7).

(7) Any appeal to the director of the department for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within 10 days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

(8) Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

1. All pleadings, motions and rules.
2. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
3. A statement of all matters officially noticed.

4. All questions and offers of proof, objections, and rulings thereon.
5. All proposed findings and exceptions.
6. The proposed findings and order of the administrative law judge.
- (9) The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested.
- (10) It is not necessary for the owner to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department that has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.
- (11) Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.
- (12) The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**641—15.7(135I) Variances.** A variance to these rules may be granted only by the department. A variance can be granted only if sufficient information is provided to substantiate the need for and propriety of the action.

**15.7(1)** Requests for variances shall be in writing and shall be sent to the local inspection agency for comment. The local inspection agency shall send the request for variance to the department within 15 business days of its receipt.

**15.7(2)** The granting or denial of a variance will take into consideration, but not be limited to, the following criteria:

*a.* Substantially equal protection of health and safety shall be provided by a means other than that prescribed in the particular rule, or

*b.* The degree of violation of the rule is sufficiently small so as not to pose a significant risk of injury to any individual, and the remedies necessary to alleviate this minor violation would incur substantial and unreasonable expense on the part of the person seeking a variance.

**15.7(3)** Decisions shall be issued in writing by the department and shall include the reasons for denial or granting of the variance. Copies of decisions shall be kept at the department, and a copy shall be sent to the contracting board of health.

**15.7(4)** The applicant for a variance that is denied may request a review of the denial by the director of the department. The request shall be submitted in writing within 30 days of the applicant's receipt of the department's denial of a variance request. The request for a review shall be addressed to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Office of the Director, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The decision of the director shall be considered the department's final agency action.

**15.7(5)** The applicant may petition for judicial review of the final agency action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—15.8(135I) Penalties.** A person violating a provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 135I.5. Each day upon which a violation occurs constitutes a separate violation.

**641—15.9(135I) Registration.**

**15.9(1)** *Swimming pool and spa registration.* No swimming pool or spa shall be operated in the state without being registered with the department. The owner of a swimming pool or spa or the owner's designated representative shall register the swimming pool or spa before the swimming pool or spa is first used and shall renew the registration annually on or before April 30. The initial registration and



registration renewal shall be submitted on forms supplied by the department. The registration for a swimming pool or spa is valid from May 1 through the following April 30.

**15.9(2) *Change in ownership.*** Within 30 days of the change in ownership of a swimming pool or spa, the new owner shall furnish the department with the following information:

- a. Name and registration number of the swimming pool or spa.
- b. Name, address, and telephone number of new owner.
- c. Date the change in ownership took place.
- d. A nonrefundable fee of \$20 per swimming pool or spa.

**15.9(3) *Withholding registration.*** The department may withhold or revoke the registration of a swimming pool or spa pursuant to 15.6(2) "d" if an owner or the owner's designated representative has violated a provision of Iowa Code chapter 135I or a rule in this chapter.

#### **641—15.10(135I) Training courses.**

**15.10(1)** A training course designed to fulfill the requirements of 15.11(135I) shall be reviewed by the department.

**15.10(2)** At least 15 days prior to the course date, the course director shall submit at a minimum the following to the department:

- a. A course outline with a list of instructors and guest speakers and their qualifications.
- b. Date or dates the course is to be held.
- c. Place the course is to be held.
- d. Number of hours of instruction.
- e. Course agenda.

**15.10(3)** The department shall approve or disapprove the course of instruction in writing within 10 business days of receipt of the information required in 15.10(2).

**15.10(4)** Within 30 business days after the conclusion of the course of instruction, the course director shall furnish the department with the name and address of each person who successfully completed the course.

#### **641—15.11(135I) Swimming pool/spa operator qualifications.**

**15.11(1)** A person designated as a certified operator of a facility for compliance with 15.4(6) "a" and 15.51(5) "a" shall have successfully completed a CPO® certification course, an AFO certification course, a PPSO certification course, an LAFT certification course, or another course of instruction approved by the department. A copy of a current, valid CPO®, AFO, PPSO, or LAFT certificate for the certified operator shall be maintained in the pool or spa records.

**15.11(2)** A certified operator with a CPO® certificate, a PPSO certificate, or an LAFT certificate shall attend at least ten hours of continuing education between the original certification date and the first renewal of the certificate, and shall attend at least ten additional hours of continuing education before each subsequent renewal of the certificate. A certified operator with an AFO certificate shall attend at least six hours of continuing education between the original certification date and the first renewal of the certificate, and shall attend at least six additional hours of continuing education before each subsequent renewal of the certificate. The department shall determine the continuing education requirements for a certified operator training course that is approved after May 4, 2005. Proof of continuing education shall be kept with certification records at the facility.

#### **641—15.12(135I) Fees.**

**15.12(1) *Registration fees.*** For each swimming pool or spa, the registration fee is \$35. Registration fees are delinquent if not received by the department by April 30 or the first business day thereafter. The owner shall pay a \$25 penalty for each month or fraction thereof that the fee is late for each swimming pool or spa that is required to be registered.

**15.12(2) *Registration change fees.*** For each swimming pool or spa, the fee for a change of ownership, change of facility name, or other change in registration is \$20.

**15.12(3) Inspection fees.** The inspection agency shall bill the owner of a facility upon completion of an inspection. Inspection fees are due upon receipt of a notice of payment due.

When the swimming pool is located within the jurisdiction of a local inspection agency, the local inspection agency may establish fees needed to defray the costs of inspection and enforcement under this chapter. Inspection fees billed by a local inspection agency shall be paid to the local inspection agency or its designee.

a. *Inspection fee schedule.*

Table 7  
Swimming Pools and Spas

Pool Type	Inspection Fee
Swimming pool or leisure river, surface area less than 1500 ft <sup>2</sup>	\$170
Swimming pool or leisure river, surface area 1500 ft <sup>2</sup> or greater	\$270
Wave pool	\$270
Water slide and plunge pool	\$270
Spa	\$170
Wading pool less than or equal to 500 ft <sup>2</sup>	\$50
Wading pool greater than 500 ft <sup>2</sup>	\$90
Residential swimming pool used for commercial purposes	\$50

Table 8  
Water Slides

	Inspection Fee
Each additional water slide into a plunge pool	\$75
Water slide into a swimming pool	\$175
Each additional water slide into a swimming pool	\$75

b. *Multipool facilities.* If more than one pool (swimming pool, water slide, wave pool, wading pool, or spa) is located within a fenced compound or a building, the inspection fee for the pools in the fenced compound or building shall be reduced by 10 percent. This reduction does not apply to the fees specified in Table 8.

c. *Special inspection fee.* When an inspection agency determines that a special inspection is required, i.e., a follow-up inspection or an inspection generated by complaints, the inspection agency may charge a special inspection fee which shall be based on the actual cost of providing the inspection.

d. *Penalty.* Unpaid inspection fees will be considered delinquent 45 days after the date of the bill. A penalty of \$30 per month or fraction thereof that the payment is delinquent will be assessed to the owner for each pool inspected.

**15.12(4) Plan review fees.**

a. *New construction.* A plan review fee as specified in Tables 9, 10 and 11 shall be submitted with a construction permit application for each body of water in a proposed facility. If two or more pools share a common recirculation system as specified in 15.5(5) "a," the plan review fee shall be 25 percent less than the total plan review fee required by Tables 9, 10 and 11.

Table 9  
Swimming Pools, Wading Pools and Wave Pools

Swimming Pool Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Plan Review Fee
less than 500	\$165
500 to 999	\$275

Swimming Pool Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Plan Review Fee
1000 to 1999	\$385
2000 to 3999	\$550*
4000 and greater	\$825*

\*This may include one water slide.

Table 10  
Water Slides

Description	Plan Review Fee
Water slide and dedicated plunge pool	\$550
Each additional water slide into a plunge pool or swimming pool	\$165

Table 11  
Spas

Spa Volume (gal)	Plan Review Fee
less than 500	\$165
500 to 999	\$275
1000 +	\$385

*b. Reconstruction.* The plan review fee for reconstruction is \$250 for each swimming pool, spa or bathhouse altered in the reconstruction.

*c. Penalty for construction without a permit.* Whenever any work for which a permit is required has been started before a permit is issued, the plan review fee shall be 150 percent of the fee specified in 15.12(3)“a” or “b.” The department may require that construction not done in accordance with the rules be corrected before a facility is used.

EXCEPTION: After receiving a construction permit application, the department may authorize preliminary construction on a project to start before issuance of a permit. The authorization shall be in writing to the owner or the owner’s authorized representative.

**15.12(5) Training fees.** The course sponsor for a training course designed to fulfill the requirements of 641—15.11(135I) shall pay to the department a fee of \$20 for each person who successfully completes the course. The fee is due within 30 business days of the completion of the course.

**641—15.13(135I) 28E agreements.** A city, county or district board of health may apply to the department for authority to inspect swimming pools and spas and enforce these rules.

**15.13(1) Application and review process.** Applications shall be made to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Swimming Pool Program, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**15.13(2)** Each application shall include, at a minimum:

*a.* A commitment that inspectors will meet the educational requirements of 641—15.11(135I). A person who is a registered sanitarian (R.S.) or a registered environmental health specialist (R.E.H.S.) with the National Environmental Health Association shall be considered to have met the educational requirements of subrule 15.11(2).

*b.* A statement of the ability of the board of health to provide inspections of all swimming pools and spas within the contracted area.

*c.* A statement of the ability of the board of health to follow enforcement procedures contained in subrule 15.6(2).

**15.13(3)** If the department approves the application, the 28E agreement shall be perpetual, subject to the conditions set forth by both parties. The agreement shall include the terms and conditions required by Iowa Code chapter 28E and any additional terms agreed to by the parties.

**641—15.14(135I) Application denial or partial denial—appeal.**

**15.14(1)** Denial or partial denial of an application shall be done in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the applicant of denial or partial denial shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**15.14(2)** Any request for appeal concerning denial or partial denial shall be submitted by the aggrieved party, in writing, to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of the receipt of the department's notice. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Swimming Pool Program, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the denial or partial denial. If no request for appeal is received within the 30-day time period, the department's notice of denial or partial denial shall become the department's final agency action.

**15.14(3)** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals, pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**641—15.15 to 15.50** Reserved.

SPAS

**641—15.51(135I) Spa operations.** A spa shall be operated in a safe, sanitary manner and shall meet the following operational standards.

**15.51(1) Filtration and recirculation.**

*a.* Filters. A spa shall have a filtration system in good working condition which provides water clarity in compliance with the water quality standards of subrule 15.51(2).

(1) Each filter cartridge shall be replaced with a new, unused, or cleaned and disinfected filter cartridge in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for pressure rise at the inlet of the filter, but at least once a month. If a functioning pressure gauge is not present at the filter inlet, the filter cartridge(s) shall be replaced whenever the spa is drained and at least every two weeks. Filter cartridge replacements shall be recorded in the spa records.

(2) Each sand filter serving a spa shall be opened at least annually and the sand media examined for grease buildup, channeling and other deficiencies. The sand shall be cleaned and disinfected before the filter is put back into service. The annual inspection shall be recorded in the spa records.

(3) Each diatomaceous earth filter serving a spa shall be dismantled, and the filter socks and the interior of the filter shall be cleaned and disinfected at least annually. The annual cleaning shall be recorded in the spa records.

(4) The recirculation system shall have an operating pressure gauge located in front of the filter if it is a pressure filter system. A vacuum filter system shall have a vacuum gauge located between the filter and the pump.

*b.* The recirculation system for a spa shall treat one spa volume of water in 30 minutes or less.

*c.* Continuous operation required. Pumps, filters, disinfectant feeders, flow indicators, gauges, and all related components of the spa water recirculation system shall be operated continuously whenever the spa contains water, except for cleaning or servicing.

*d.* Inlets. The recirculation system shall have inlets adequate in design, number, location, and spacing to ensure effective distribution of treated water and maintenance of uniform disinfectant residual throughout the spa.

*e.* Skimmers. A spa shall have at least one skimmer.

- (1) Each skimmer shall have a self-adjusting weir in place and operational.
  - (2) Each skimmer shall have an easily removable basket or screen upstream from any valve.
  - f.* Wastewater. Wastewater and backwash water from a spa shall be discharged through an air break or an air gap.
  - g.* Water supply. The water supplied to a spa shall be from a water supply meeting the requirements of the department of natural resources for potable water.
    - (1) Water supplied to a spa shall be discharged to the spa system through an air gap or a reduced-pressure principle backflow device meeting AWWA C-511-97, "Reduced-Pressure Principle Backflow-Prevention Assembly."
    - (2) Each hose bib at a facility shall be equipped with an atmospheric vacuum breaker or a hose connection backflow preventer.
  - h.* Spa water heaters.
    - (1) Electric water heaters shall bear the seal of UL.
    - (2) Gas-fired water heaters shall bear the seal of the AGA and shall be equipped with a pressure relief valve.
    - (3) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be vented to the outside, in accordance with the Iowa state plumbing code.
    - (4) Each indoor swimming pool equipment room with fuel-burning water heating equipment shall have one or more openings to the outside of the room for the provision of combustion air.
- 15.51(2) Water quality and testing.**
- a.* *Disinfection.*
    - (1) Spa water shall have a free chlorine residual of at least 2.0 ppm and no greater than 8.0 ppm, or a total bromine residual of at least 4.0 ppm and no greater than 18 ppm when the spa is open for use, except as given in Table 12.
    - (2) A spa shall be closed if the free chlorine is measured to be less than 1.0 ppm or the total bromine is measured to be less than 2.0 ppm.
    - (3) The spa shall be closed if a free chlorine measurement exceeds 8.0 ppm or if the total bromine measurement exceeds 18 ppm, except as given in Table 12.
    - (4) If an ORP controller with a readout meeting the requirements of 15.51(2)"f"(4) is installed on the spa system, the spa water shall have an ORP of at least 700 mV, but no greater than 880 mV, except as given in Table 12. The spa shall be closed if the ORP is less than 650 mV or greater than 880 mV.
    - (5) The spa shall be closed if the cyanuric acid concentration in the spa water exceeds 80 ppm. The spa may be reopened when the cyanuric acid concentration is 40 ppm or less.
    - (6) No cyanuric acid shall be added to an indoor spa after May 4, 2005, except through an existing chemical feed system designed to deliver di-chlor or tri-chlor. No cyanuric acid in any form shall be added to an indoor spa after June 30, 2008.

Table 12

Preferred Operating Range			Acceptable Operating Range		
ORP (mV)	Free Cl (ppm)	Total Br (ppm)	ORP (mV)	Free Cl (ppm)	Total Br (ppm)
700-880	2.0-8.0	4.0-18.0	700-880	1.0-1.8	2.0-3.5
			650-700 <sup>#</sup>	2.0-8.0	4.0-18.0
			650-700 <sup>†</sup>	8.2-10.0	18.5-22.0

<sup>#</sup> If these conditions occur on any 3 consecutive days or on any 5 days within a 7-day period, and the conditions reoccur after the spa is drained and cleaned, the facility management shall evaluate water parameters including, but not limited to, cyanuric acid, pH, combined chlorine, and phosphates (ortho- and total); and other conditions at the spa. The facility management shall modify parameters and conditions as practical to bring the ORP to a minimum of 700 mV. The evaluation shall be completed within 30 days after the low ORP condition is known to the facility management. A written report of the evaluation shall be kept with the spa records.

<sup>†</sup> If these conditions occur on any 2 consecutive days or on any 4 days within a 7-day period, the facility management shall drain and clean the spa and notify the inspection agency. If the conditions reoccur after the spa is drained and cleaned, the facility management shall cause the conditions at the spa specified in the previous footnote and the function of the ORP equipment to be investigated by a professional pool service company. A written report detailing source water parameters, spa water parameters, spa design (including

information about the installed mechanical and chemical equipment), other conditions affecting the disinfectant concentration and the ORP, and the actions taken to increase ORP relative to the disinfectant residual shall be submitted to the local inspection agency within 30 days after the low ORP condition is known to the facility management.

b. *pH level.* The pH of spa water shall be 7.2 to 7.8.

c. *Water clarity.* A spa shall be closed if the grate openings on drain fittings at or near the bottom of the spa are not clearly visible when the agitation system is off.

d. *Bacteria detection.*

(1) If coliform or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteria are detected in a sample taken in accordance with 15.51(2)“e”(8), the spa shall be drained, cleaned, and disinfected. The spa may reopen, and a check sample shall be taken when the spa water meets the requirements of paragraphs “a,” “b” and “c” above. If coliform or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteria are detected in the check sample, the spa shall be closed. The spa shall be drained, physically cleaned, and disinfected. The filter(s) shall be cleaned and disinfected.

1. For cartridge filters, the cartridge shall be replaced with a new, unused cartridge or a cleaned, disinfected cartridge; the filter housing shall be physically cleaned, then disinfected.

2. For sand and DE filters, the filter shall be opened and the media and components cleaned and disinfected.

The spa may reopen when no coliform or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteria are detected in a spa water sample taken when the spa water meets the requirements of paragraphs “a,” “b” and “c” above.

(2) The facility management shall notify the local inspection agency of the positive bacteriological result within one business day after the facility management has become aware of the result.

e. *Test frequency.* The results of the tests required below shall be recorded in the spa records.

(1) The disinfectant residual in the spa water shall be tested or the ORP of the spa water shall be checked each day before the spa is opened for use and at intervals not to exceed two hours thereafter until the spa closing time. For a spa at a condominium complex, an apartment building or a homeowners association with 25 or fewer living units, the disinfectant level in the spa water shall be tested or the ORP of the spa water shall be checked at least twice each day the spa is available for use.

If the spa is equipped with an automatic controller with a readout or local printout of ORP complying with the requirements of 15.51(2)“f”(4), the operator may make visual readings of ORP in lieu of manual testing, but the spa water shall be tested manually for disinfectant residual at least twice per day. Both ORP and disinfectant residual shall be recorded when manual testing is done. The operator shall specify in the spa records which results are from the manual tests.

(2) The pH of the spa water shall be tested each day before the spa is opened for use and at intervals not to exceed two hours thereafter until the spa closing time. For a spa at a condominium complex, an apartment building or a homeowners association with 25 or fewer living units, the pH of the spa water shall be tested at least twice each day the spa is available for use.

If the spa is equipped with an automatic controller with a readout or local printout of pH complying with the requirements of 15.51(2)“f”(5), the operator may make visual readings of pH in lieu of manual testing, but the spa water shall be tested manually for pH at least twice per day. The operator shall specify in the spa records which results are from the manual tests.

(3) The spa water temperature shall be measured whenever a manual test of the spa water is performed.

(4) If a chlorine compound is used for disinfection, the spa water shall be tested for combined chlorine at least once a day.

(5) If cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine is used in a spa, the spa water shall be tested for cyanuric acid at least once a day.

(6) The spa water shall be tested for total alkalinity each time the spa is refilled and at least once in each week that the spa is open for use.

(7) The spa water shall be tested for calcium hardness each time the spa is refilled.

(8) At least once in each month that a spa is open for use, a sample of the spa water shall be submitted to a laboratory certified by the department of natural resources for the determination of

coliform bacteria in drinking water. The sample shall be analyzed for total coliform and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

*f. Test equipment.*

(1) Each facility shall have functional water testing equipment for free chlorine and combined chlorine, or total bromine; pH; total alkalinity; calcium hardness; and cyanuric acid (if cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine is used at the facility).

(2) The test equipment shall provide for the direct measurement of free chlorine and combined chlorine from 0 to 10 ppm in increments of 0.2 ppm or less over the full range, or total bromine from 0 to 20 ppm in increments of 0.5 ppm or less over the full range.

(3) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of spa water pH from 7.0 to 8.0 with at least five increments in that range.

(4) A controller readout used in lieu of manual disinfectant residual testing shall be a numerical analog or digital display (indicator lights are not acceptable) with an ORP scale with a range of at least 600 to 900 mV with increments of 20 mV or less.

(5) A controller readout used in lieu of manual pH testing shall be a numerical analog or digital display (indicator lights are not acceptable) with a range at least as required in 15.51(2) "f"(3) with increments of 0.2 or less over the full range.

*g. Operator availability.* A person knowledgeable in testing water and in operating the water treatment equipment shall be available whenever a spa is open for use.

**15.51(3) Disinfection systems and cleaning.**

*a. Disinfectant system.*

(1) Equipment for continuous feed of a chlorine or bromine compound to the spa water shall be provided and shall be operational. The equipment shall be adjustable in at least five increments over its feed capacity. Where applicable, the chemical feeder shall be listed by NSF or another listing agency approved by the department for compliance with Standard 50.

(2) The disinfectant equipment shall be capable of providing at least 10 ppm of chlorine or bromine to the spa water based on the recirculation flow rate.

(3) Equipment and piping used to apply any chemicals to the water shall be of such size, design, and material that they may be cleaned. All material used for such equipment and piping shall be resistant to the action of chemicals to be used.

(4) The use of chlorine gas is prohibited.

*b. Cleaning and superchlorination.*

(1) A spa shall be clean.

(2) A spa containing 500 gal of water or less shall be drained, cleaned and refilled a minimum of once a week. A spa containing over 500 gal to 2000 gal of water shall be drained, cleaned and refilled a minimum of one time every two weeks. A spa with a water volume greater than 2000 gal shall be drained, cleaned and refilled a minimum of one time every three weeks.

The department may permit a longer period between refills for spas over 2000 gal upon evaluation of the use of the spa. Such permission shall be in writing, and a copy shall be available to an inspector upon request.

(3) The inspection agency may require that a spa be drained, cleaned, and superchlorinated prior to further usage.

**15.51(4) Safety.**

*a. Chemical safety.*

(1) No disinfectant chemical, pH control chemical, algaecide, shock treatment chemical, or any other chemical that is toxic or irritating to humans shall be added to a spa over the top when the spa is occupied. If chemicals are added to the spa over the top, the spa shall not be occupied for a period of at least 30 minutes. The operator shall test the spa water as appropriate before allowing use of the spa. The chemical addition and the test results shall be recorded in the spa records.

(2) Spa chemicals shall be stored and handled in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

(3) Material safety data sheets (MSDS) for the chemicals used in the spa shall be at the facility in a location known and readily accessible to the facility staff.

(4) Chemical containers shall be clearly labeled.

(5) A chemical hazard warning sign shall be placed at the entrance of a room where chemicals are used or stored or where bulk containers are located.

*b.* Stairs, ladders, recessed steps, and ramps.

(1) When the top rim of a spa is more than 24 inches above the surrounding floor area, stairs or a ramp shall be provided to the top of the spa.

(2) Stairs, ladders, ladder rungs, and ramps shall be slip-resistant.

(3) Where stairs and ramps are provided, they shall be equipped with a handrail.

(4) Ladders and handrails shall be constructed of corrosion-resistant materials or provided with corrosion-resistant coatings. They shall have no exposed sharp edges.

(5) Ladders, handrails and grabrails shall be securely anchored.

*c.* Water temperature. Water temperature in the spa shall not exceed 104°F. The spa shall be closed if the water temperature exceeds 104°F.

(1) A thermometer shall be available to measure temperatures in the range of 80° to 120°F.

(2) Water temperature controls shall be accessible only to the spa operator.

*d.* Emergency telephone. Each facility where lifeguards are not provided shall have a designated emergency telephone or equivalent communication system that can be operated without coins. The communication system shall be available to users of the spa whenever the spa is open. If the emergency communication system is not located within the spa enclosure, management shall post a sign(s) indicating the location of the emergency telephone. Instructions for emergency use of the telephone shall be posted near the telephone.

*e.* Water level. Water level shall be maintained at the skimming level.

*f.* Outlets below water level. Each outlet that is entirely below the operating water level, including the main drain(s), shall be designed to prevent user entrapment. A spa shall be closed if an outlet cover is missing or broken.

(1) Each pump that draws water directly from a spa shall have two or more outlets or a single outlet with an area of at least 144 in<sup>2</sup>.

(2) Each outlet shall have a cover with openings or slots no more than ½ inch wide. A suction outlet cover shall have an area of at least 144 in<sup>2</sup> or shall be listed for compliance with ANSI/ASME 112.19.8M-1987 by a listing agency approved by the department.

*g.* Spa walls and floor shall be smooth and easily cleanable.

*h.* Decks.

(1) The deck shall have a slip-resistant surface.

(2) The deck shall be clean and free of debris.

(3) A hose bib shall be provided for flushing or cleaning of the deck.

(4) Glass objects, other than eyeglasses and safety glass doors and partitions, shall not be permitted on the deck.

*i.* There shall be no underwater or overhead projections or obstructions which would endanger user safety or interfere with proper spa operation.

*j.* Electrical.

(1) Each electrical outlet in the deck, shower room, and pool water treatment equipment areas shall be equipped with a properly installed ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) at the outlet or at the breaker serving the outlet. Electrical outlets energized through an ORP/pH controller are not required to have a separate GFCI if the controller is equipped with a GFCI or is energized through a GFCI breaker. Ground fault circuit interrupter receptacles and breakers shall be tested at least once in each month the spa is operating. Test dates and results shall be recorded in the spa records.

(2) There shall be no outlets located on, or within 5 ft of, the inside wall of a spa.

(3) An air switch within reach of persons in the spa and its connecting tube shall be constructed of materials that do not conduct electricity.

(4) Lighting.



1. Artificial lighting shall be provided at all spas which are to be used at night or which do not have adequate natural lighting so all portions of the spa, including the bottom and main drain, may be readily seen.

2. Underwater lights and fixtures shall be designed for their intended use. When the underwater lights operate at more than 15 volts, the underwater light circuit shall be equipped with a GFCI. When underwater lights need to be repaired, the electricity shall be shut off until repairs are completed.

3. No electrical wiring shall extend over an outdoor spa.

*k. Fencing.*

(1) A spa shall be enclosed by a fence, wall, building, or combination thereof not less than 4 ft high. The spa enclosure shall be constructed of durable materials. A spa may be in the same room or enclosure as another spa or a swimming pool.

(2) A fence, wall, or other means of enclosure shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere, and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The distance between the ground and the top of the lowest horizontal support accessible from outside the facility, or between the two lowest horizontal supports accessible from outside the facility, shall be at least 45 inches. A horizontal support is considered accessible if it is on the exterior of the fence relative to the spa, or if the gap between the vertical members of the fence is greater than 1¼ inches.

(3) At least one gate or door with an opening of at least 36 inches in width shall be provided for emergency purposes. When closed, gates and doors shall comply with the requirements of (2) above. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided whenever the spa is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

(4) If there are sleeping rooms, apartments, condominiums, or permanent recreation areas which are used by children and which open directly into the spa area, the spa shall be enclosed by a barrier at least 3 ft high. No opening in the barrier shall permit the passage of a 4-inch sphere. The barrier shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. There shall be at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door through the barrier. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided whenever the spa is open, gates and doors provided shall be self-closing and self-latching.

*l. Agitation system control.* The agitation system control shall be installed out of the reach of persons in the spa. The “on” cycle for the agitation system shall be no more than ten minutes.

**15.51(5) Management, notification, and records.**

*a. Certified operator required.* Each spa facility shall employ a certified operator. One certified operator may be responsible for a maximum of three facilities.

*b. Spa rules sign.* A “Spa Rules” sign shall be posted near the spa. The sign shall include the following stipulations:

(1) Persons with a medical condition, including pregnancy, should not use the spa without first consulting with a physician.

(2) Anyone having a contagious disease shall not use the spa.

(3) Persons shall not use the spa immediately following exercise or while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or other drugs.

(4) Persons shall not use the spa alone or without supervision.

(5) Children shall be accompanied by an adult.

(6) Persons shall not use the spa longer than ten minutes.

(7) No one shall dive or jump into the spa.

(8) The maximum patron load of the spa. (The maximum patron load of a spa is one individual per 2 lineal ft of inner edge of seat or bench.)

*c. Spa depth.* The maximum depth of a spa shall be posted at a conspicuous location near the spa in numerals or letters at least 3 inches high.

*d. Glass prohibited.* Glass objects other than eyeglasses, safety glass doors, and partitions shall not be permitted in a spa enclosure.

*e. Operational records.* The operator of a spa shall have the spa operational records for the previous 12 months at the facility and shall make these records available when requested by a swimming pool/spa inspector. These records shall contain a day-by-day account of spa operation, including:

- (1) ORP and pH readings, results of pH, free chlorine or total bromine residual, cyanuric acid (if used), combined chlorine, total alkalinity, and calcium hardness tests, and any other chemical test results.
- (2) Results of microbiological analyses.
- (3) Water temperature measurements.
- (4) Reports of complaints, accidents, injuries, or illnesses.
- (5) Dates and quantities of chemical additions, including resupply of chemical feed systems.
- (6) Dates when filters were backwashed or cleaned or a filter cartridge(s) was changed.
- (7) Draining and cleaning of spa.
- (8) Dates when ground fault circuit interrupter receptacles or circuit breakers were tested.
- (9) Dates of review of material safety data sheets.

*f. Submission of records.* An inspection agency may require facility management to submit copies of readings of ORP and pH, chemical test results and microbiological analyses to the inspection agency on a monthly basis. The inspection agency shall notify the facility management of this requirement in writing at least 15 days before the reports are to be submitted for the first time. The facility management shall submit the required reports to the inspection agency within 10 days after the end of each month of operation.

*g. Operations manual.* A permanent manual for operation of a spa shall be at the facility. The manual shall include instructions for routine operations at the spa including, but not necessarily limited to:

- (1) Maintaining the chemical supply for the chemical feed systems.
- (2) Filter backwash or cleaning.
- (3) Water testing procedures, including the required frequency of testing.
- (4) Procedures for draining, cleaning and refilling the spa, including chemical adjustments and controller adjustments.
- (5) Controller sensor maintenance, where applicable.
- (6) Superchlorination.

*h. Schematic drawing.* A schematic drawing of the spa recirculation system shall be posted in the swimming pool filter room or shall be in the operations manual. Clear labeling of the spa piping with flow direction and water status (unfiltered, treated, backwash) may be substituted for the schematic drawing.

*i. Material safety data sheets.* Copies of material safety data sheets (MSDS) for the chemicals used at the spa shall be kept at the facility in a location known and readily accessible to facility staff with chemical-handling responsibilities. Each member of the facility staff with chemical-handling responsibilities shall review the MSDS at least annually. The facility management shall retain records of the MSDS reviews at the facility and shall make the records available upon request by a swimming pool inspector.

*j. Emergency plans.* A written emergency plan shall be provided. The plan shall include, but may not be limited to, actions to be taken in cases of drowning, hyperthermia, serious illness or injury, chemical-handling accidents, weather emergencies, and other serious incidents. The emergency plan shall be reviewed with the facility staff at least once a year, and the dates of review or training shall be recorded. The written emergency plan shall be kept at the facility and shall be available to a swimming pool inspector upon request.

*k. Temporary spas.*

- (1) A person offering temporary spas for rent shall be a certified operator.
- (2) Records of temporary spas shall be maintained for one year which identify the location of all installations.
- (3) Written operational instructions shall be provided to individuals operating or leasing a spa. The instructions shall be consistent with this chapter and provide guidance in the following areas:
  1. Acceptable sources of water supply and procedure for cross-connection control—15.51(1)“g.”
  2. Methods for routine cleaning and superchlorination—15.51(3)“b.”
  3. Procedures for maintaining prescribed levels of disinfectant residual, pH, total alkalinity, clarity, and microbiological quality, and using the test kit—15.51(2)“a” to 15.51(2)“f.”
  4. Procedures for maintaining temperature and operation of temperature controls—15.51(4)“c.”

5. Warning to prevent electrical hazards—15.51(4) “j.”
6. Procedures for operation of filters, including backwashing—15.51(1) “a.”
7. A warning to the renter that the renter should prevent unauthorized or accidental access to a spa when it contains water.

**15.51(6) Reports.** Spa operators shall report to the local inspection agency, within one working day of occurrence, all deaths; near drowning incidents; head, neck, and spinal cord injuries; and any injury which renders a person unconscious or requires immediate medical attention.

**641—15.52(1351) Construction and reconstruction.** A spa constructed or reconstructed after May 4, 2005, shall comply with the following standards. Nothing in these rules is intended to exempt spas and associated structures from any applicable federal, state or local laws, rules or ordinances. Applicable requirements include, but are not limited to, the handicapped access and energy requirements of the state building code, the fire and life safety requirements of the state fire marshal, the rules of the department of workforce development, and the rules of the department of natural resources.

**15.52(1) Construction permits.**

*a. Permit required.* No spa shall be constructed or reconstructed without the owner or a designated representative of the owner first receiving a permit from the department. Construction shall be completed within 24 months from the date the construction permit is issued unless a written extension is granted by the department.

*b. Permit application.* The owner of a proposed or existing spa or a designated representative of the owner shall apply for a construction permit on forms provided by the department. The application shall be submitted to the department at least 15 days prior to construction of a new spa or the reconstruction of a spa.

*c. Plan submission.* Three sets of plans and specifications shall be submitted with the application. A nonrefundable plan review fee shall be remitted with the application for each spa as required in 15.12(4).

*d. Notification of completion.* The owner of a newly constructed or reconstructed facility or the owner’s designated representative shall notify the department in writing at least 15 business days prior to opening the spa.

**15.52(2) Plans and specifications.**

*a. Plan certification.* Plans and specifications shall be sealed and certified in accordance with the rules of the engineering and land surveying examining board or the architectural examining board by an engineer or architect licensed to practice in Iowa.

(1) This requirement may be waived by the department if the project is the addition or replacement of a chemical feed system, including a disinfection system, or a simple replacement of a filter or pump or both.

(2) If the requirement for engineering plans is waived, the owner of the spa assumes full responsibility for ensuring that the construction or reconstruction complies with these rules and with any other applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, and ordinances.

*b. Content of plans.* Plans and specifications shall contain sufficient information to demonstrate to the department that the proposed spa will meet the requirements of this chapter. The information shall include, but may not be limited to:

(1) The name and address of the owner and the name, address, and telephone number of the architect or engineer responsible for the plans and specifications. If a contractor applies for a construction permit, the name, address and telephone number of the contractor shall be included.

(2) The location of the project by street address or other legal description.

(3) A site plan showing the spa in relation to buildings, streets, any swimming pool within the same general area, water and sewer service, gas service, and electrical service.

(4) Detailed scale drawings of the spa and its appurtenances, including a plan view and cross sections at a scale of ¼ inch per foot or larger. The location of inlets, overflow system components, main drains, deck and deck drainage, the location and size of spa piping, and the spa steps and handrails shall be shown.

(5) A drawing(s) showing the location, plan, and elevation of filters, pumps, chemical feeders, ventilation devices, and heaters, and additional drawings or schematics showing operating levels, backflow preventers, valves, piping, flow meters, pressure gauges, thermometers, the make-up water connection, and the drainage system for the disposal of filter backwash water.

(6) Plan and elevation drawings of bathhouse facilities including dressing rooms; lockers; showers, toilets and other plumbing fixtures; water supply and drain and vent systems; gas service; water heating equipment; electrical fixtures; and ventilation systems, if provided.

(7) Complete technical specifications for the construction of the spa, for the spa equipment and for the spa appurtenances.

*c. Deviation from plans.* No deviation from the plans and specifications or conditions of approval shall be made without prior approval of the department.

**15.52(3) General design.**

*a. Materials.* A spa shall be constructed of materials which are inert, stable, nontoxic, watertight, and durable.

*b. Water depth.* The maximum water depth for a general use spa shall not exceed 4 ft measured from the overflow level of the spa. The maximum depth of any seat or sitting bench shall not exceed 2 ft measured from the overflow level. A special-use spa may be deeper than 4 ft with written approval from the department.

*c. Structural loading.* A spa shall be designed and constructed to withstand anticipated structural loading for both full and empty conditions.

*d. Distance from a swimming pool.* A spa may be immediately adjacent to a swimming pool, or a minimum of 4 ft from a Class B swimming pool or 6 ft from a Class A swimming pool. The distance shall be measured from the outside edge of a ladder support or handrail on the deck, a lifeguard stand, a swimming pool slide, or a similar obstruction.

*e. Water supply.* The water supplied to a spa shall be from a source meeting the requirements of the department of natural resources for potable water.

(1) Water supplied to a spa shall be discharged to the spa system through an air gap or a reduced-pressure principle backflow device complying with the requirements of AWWA C-511-97, "Reduced-Pressure Principle Backflow-Prevention Assembly."

(2) Each hose bib at a facility shall be equipped with an atmospheric vacuum breaker or a hose connection backflow preventer.

*f. Sewer separation required.* No part of a spa recirculation system may be directly connected to a sanitary sewer. An air break or an air gap shall be provided.

*g. Operations manual.* The owner shall require that a permanent manual for operation of a spa be provided. The manual shall include, but may not be limited to:

(1) Instructions for routine operations at the spa including, but not necessarily limited to:

1. Filter backwash or cleaning.
2. Maintaining the chemical supply for the chemical feed systems.
3. Vacuuming and cleaning the spa.
4. Spa water testing procedures, including the frequency of testing.
5. Superchlorination.
6. Controller sensor maintenance and calibration, including the recommended frequency of maintenance.

(2) For each centrifugal pump, a pump performance curve plotted on an 8½" × 11" or larger sheet.

(3) For each chemical feeder, the maximum rated output listed in weight per time or volume per time units.

(4) Basic operating and maintenance instructions for spa equipment that requires cleaning, adjustment, lubrication, or parts replacement, with recommended maintenance frequencies or the parameters that would indicate a need for maintenance.

*h.* A schematic drawing of the spa recirculation system shall be posted in the spa filter room or shall be included in the operations manual. Clear labeling of the spa piping with flow direction and water status (unfiltered, treated, backwash) may be substituted for the schematic drawing.

*i.* A permanent file containing the operations and maintenance manuals for the equipment installed at the spa shall be established. The file shall include a source for parts or maintenance for the equipment at the spa. The file may be located in a location other than the facility, but the file shall be readily available to the facility management and maintenance staff.

**15.52(4) Decks.** A spa shall have a deck around at least 50 percent of the spa perimeter. The deck shall be at least 4 ft wide.

*a. Deck materials.* The deck shall be constructed of stable, nontoxic, and durable materials.

*b. Deck drainage.* The deck shall drain away from the spa at a slope of at least 1/8 inch/ft, but no more than 1/2 inch/ft to deck drains or to the surrounding ground surface. The deck shall be constructed to eliminate standing water.

*c. Deck surface.* The deck shall be provided with a slip-resistant, durable, and cleanable surface.

*d. Deck covering.* A deck covering may be used provided that:

(1) The covering allows drainage so that the covering and the deck do not remain wet or retain moisture.

(2) The covering is inert and will not support bacterial growth.

(3) The covering provides a slip-resistant surface.

(4) The covering is durable and cleanable.

*e. Steps or ramp required.* When the top rim of a spa is more than 24 inches above the surrounding floor area, stairs or a ramp shall be provided to the top of the spa. Stairs or a ramp shall be designed in accordance with the state building code or the building code adopted by the jurisdiction in which the spa is located.

**15.52(5) Recirculation.**

*a. Separate recirculation required.* A spa shall have a recirculation system separate from another spa or any swimming pool.

*b. Recirculation flow rate.* The recirculation system shall be capable of processing one spa volume of water within 30 minutes. For spas with skimmers, the recirculation flow rate shall be at least 3.8 gpm per lineal inch of skimmer weir or the flow rate required above, whichever is greater.

*c. Recirculation pump.* The recirculation pump(s) shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50 and shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) The pump(s) shall supply the recirculation flow rate required by 15.52(5) "b" at a TDH of at least that given in "1," "2" or "3" below, unless a lower TDH is shown by the designer to be hydraulically appropriate. A valve for regulating the rate of flow shall be provided in the recirculation pump discharge piping.

1. 40 feet for vacuum filters; or

2. 60 feet for pressure sand filters; or

3. 70 feet for pressure diatomaceous earth filters or cartridge filters.

(2) A separate pump or pumps shall be provided for the spa agitation system.

(3) For sand filter systems, the pump and filter system shall be designed so that each filter can be backwashed at a rate of at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

(4) If a pump is located at an elevation higher than the spa water surface, it shall be self-priming or the piping shall be arranged to prevent the loss of pump prime when the pump is stopped.

(5) Where a vacuum filter is used, a vacuum limit control shall be provided on the pump suction line. The vacuum limit switch shall be set for a maximum vacuum of 18 in Hg.

(6) A compound vacuum-pressure gauge shall be installed on the pump suction line as close to the pump as practical. A vacuum gauge may be used for pumps with suction lift. A pressure gauge shall be installed on the pump discharge line as close to the pump as practical. Gauges shall be of such a size and located so that they may be easily read by the operator.

(7) On pressure filter systems, a hair and lint strainer shall be installed on the suction side of the recirculation pump. The hair and lint strainer basket shall be readily accessible for cleaning, changing, or inspection. A spare strainer basket shall be provided. This requirement may be waived for systems using vertical turbine pumps or pumps designed for solids handling.

*d. Spa water heater.*

- (1) A heating coil, pipe or steam hose shall not be installed in a spa.
- (2) Gas-fired spa water heaters shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/AGA Z21.56-2001, ANSI/AGA Z21.56a-2004, and ANSI/AGA Z21.26b-2004. The data plate of the heater shall bear the AGA mark.
- (3) Electric spa water heaters shall comply with the requirements of UL 1261 and shall bear the UL mark.
- (4) A spa water heater with an input of greater than 400,000 BTU/hour (117 kilowatts) shall have a water heating vessel constructed in accordance with ASME Boiler Code, Section 8. The data plate of the heater shall bear the ASME mark.
- (5) A thermometer shall be installed in the piping to measure the temperature of the water returning to the spa. The thermometer shall be located so that it may be read easily by an operator.
- (6) Combustion air shall be provided for fuel-burning water heaters as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.
- (7) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be vented as required by the state plumbing code, 641—Chapter 25, Iowa Administrative Code, or as required by local ordinance.
- (8) Fuel-burning water heaters shall be equipped with a pressure relief valve sized for the energy capacity of the heater.

*e. Flow meters.*

- (1) Each spa recirculation system shall be provided with a permanently installed flow meter to measure the recirculation flow rate.
- (2) A flow meter shall be accurate within 5 percent of the actual flow rate between  $\pm 20$  percent of the recirculation flow rate specified in 15.52(5) "b" or the nominal recirculation flow rate specified by the designer.
- (3) A flow meter shall be installed on a straight length of pipe with sufficient clearance from valves, elbows or other sources of turbulence to attain the accuracy required by 15.52(5) "e"(2). The flow meter shall be installed so that it may be easily read by the facility staff, or a remote readout of the flow rate shall be installed where it may be easily read by the staff. The designer may be required to provide documentation that the installation meets the requirements of subparagraph (2).

**15.52(6) Filtration.** A filter shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50 and shall comply with the following requirements:

- a.* Pressure gauges. Each pressure filter shall have a pressure gauge on the inlet side. Gauges shall be of such a size and located so that they may be read easily by the operator. A differential pressure gauge which gives the difference in pressure between the inlet and outlet of the filter may be used in place of a pressure gauge.
- b.* Air relief valves. An air relief valve shall be provided for each pressure filter.
- c.* Backwash water visible. Backwash water from a pressure filter shall discharge through an observable free fall, or a sight glass shall be installed in the backwash discharge line.
- d.* Backwash water discharge. Backwash water shall be discharged indirectly to a sanitary sewer or another point of discharge approved by the department of natural resources.
- e.* Rapid sand filter.
  - (1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 3 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.
  - (2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.
- f.* High-rate sand filter.
  - (1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.
  - (2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.
  - (3) If more than one filter tank is served by a pump, the designer shall demonstrate that backwash flow rate to each filter tank meets the requirements of subparagraph (2), or an isolation valve shall be installed at each filter tank to permit each filter to be backwashed individually.
- g.* Vacuum sand filter.
  - (1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.

- (2) The backwash rate shall be at least 15 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of filter area.
- (3) An equalization screen shall be provided to evenly distribute the filter influent over the surface of the filter sand.
- (4) Each filter system shall have an automatic air-purging cycle.
- h.* Sand filter media shall comply with the filter manufacturer's specifications.
- i.* Diatomaceous earth filters.
  - (1) The filtration rate shall not be greater than 1.5 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> of effective filter area except that a maximum filtration rate of 2.0 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> may be allowed where continuous body feed is provided.
  - (2) Diatomaceous earth filter systems shall have piping to allow recycling of the filter effluent during precoat.
  - (3) Waste diatomaceous earth shall be discharged to a sanitary sewer or other point of discharge approved by the department of natural resources. The discharge may be subject to the requirements of the local waste water utility.
- j.* Cartridge filters.
  - (1) The filtration rate shall not exceed 0.38 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup>.
  - (2) A duplicate set of cartridges shall be provided.
- k.* Other filter systems may be used if approved by the department.

**15.52(7) Piping.**

*a. Piping standards.* Spa piping shall conform to applicable nationally recognized standards and shall be specified for use within the limitations of the manufacturer's specifications. Spa piping shall comply with the applicable requirements of NSF/ANSI Standard 61, "Drinking Water System Components—Health Effects." Plastic pipe shall comply with the requirements of NSF/ANSI Standard 14, "Plastic Piping Components and Related Materials," for potable water pipe.

*b. Pipe sizing.* Spa recirculation piping shall be sized so that water velocities do not exceed 6 ft/sec for suction flow and 10 ft/sec for pressure flow.

*c. Skimmer pipe capacity.* The piping for the skimmer system shall be designed to convey 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate.

*d. Main drain pipe capacity.* The main drain piping shall be designed to convey 100 percent of the recirculation flow rate. If the spa agitation system uses the same suction piping as the recirculation system, the piping shall be designed for the combined flow within the requirements of paragraph "b" above.

*e. Separate piping required.* The piping from the spa agitation system pump to the spa shall be separate from the recirculation system piping.

**15.52(8) Inlets.**

*a.* Wall inlets shall be provided for a spa.

*b.* The inlets shall be adequate in design, number, location, and spacing to ensure effective distribution of treated water and the maintenance of a uniform disinfectant residual throughout the spa. At least two recirculation inlets shall be provided.

(1) Inlets shall be located at least 6 inches below the design water surface.

(2) Inlets shall be directional flow-type inlets. Each inlet shall have a fitting with an opening of 1 inch diameter or less.

*c.* Each agitation system opening shall have a fitting with an opening of 1 inch diameter or less.

**15.52(9) Skimmers.** A recessed automatic surface skimmer shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50, except that an equalizer is not required for a skimmer installed in a spa equipped with an automatic water level maintenance device.

*a.* Skimmers required. A spa shall have at least one skimmer for each 100 ft<sup>2</sup> of surface area or fraction thereof.

*b.* Flow-through skimmers. Each skimmer shall be designed for a flow-through rate of at least 3.8 gpm per lineal inch of weir. The combined capacity of all skimmers in a spa shall not be less than the total recirculation rate.

c. Skimmer weirs. Skimmers shall have weirs that adjust automatically to variations in water level of at least 4 inches.

d. Flow control. Skimmers shall be equipped with a device to control flow through the skimmer.

e. Equalizers. If a spa is not equipped with an automatic water level maintenance device, each skimmer shall have an operational equalizer. The equalizer opening in the spa shall be covered with a fitting listed by a listing agency approved by the department as meeting the requirements of ANSI/ASME A112.19.8M-1987.

f. The skimmer(s) shall not be connected to the agitation system.

**15.52(10) Main drain system.** Spa main drains may be on the side wall of a spa near the spa bottom.

a. *Main drains.* Each spa pump shall be connected to two or more main drains or to a single main drain with an area of at least 324 in<sup>2</sup>. The recirculation system and the agitation system may use the same drains.

(1) Main drains shall be at least 3 ft apart on center or on different spa surfaces, and shall be connected in parallel.

(2) Each main drain connected to the recirculation system shall be designed for 100 percent of the recirculation flow. If the agitation system draws from the same drains, the drains shall be designed for the total combined flow.

b. *Control valve.* There shall be a control valve to adjust the flow between the main drains and the overflow system.

c. *Main drain covers.* Each main drain shall be covered with a grate or other approved cover that is designed to prevent user entrapment. The water velocity through the open area of the cover shall be no more than 1½ ft/sec based on the recirculation flow rate specified in 15.52(5) "b" or the flow rate specified by the designer, whichever is greater, or the cover shall be listed as complying with the requirements of ANSI/ASME 112.19.8M-1987 by a listing agency approved by the department. A listed cover shall be used in accordance with its listing. Each main drain cover shall be designed to be securely fastened to the spa so it is not removable without tools.

**15.52(11) Disinfection and pH control.**

a. *Controller required.* A spa recirculation system shall be equipped with an automatic controller for maintenance of the disinfectant level and pH in the spa water. The control output of the controller to the chemical feed systems shall be based on the continuous measurement of the ORP and the pH of the water in the spa recirculation system.

b. No disinfection system designed to use di-chlor or tri-chlor shall be installed for an indoor spa after May 4, 2005.

c. *Disinfection system.* A continuous feed disinfectant system shall be provided. The disinfectant feed system shall have the capacity to supply at least 10 mg/L chlorine or bromine based on the recirculation flow rate required in 15.52(5) "b."

d. *Disinfection feeder listing.* A disinfectant feeder shall be listed by NSF or by another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50.

e. Gas chlorine shall not be used as a disinfectant for a spa.

f. *Solution feed.* Where a metering pump is used to feed a solution of disinfectant, the disinfectant solution container shall have a capacity of at least one day's supply at the rate specified in 15.52(11) "c."

g. *Erosion chlorine feeders.* The storage capacity of an erosion feeder shall be at least one day's supply of disinfectant at the rate specified in 15.52(11) "c."

h. *pH chemical system.* Each spa shall have a metering pump for the addition of a pH control chemical to the spa recirculation system, or a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas feed system. A metering pump shall be listed by NSF or another listing agency approved by the department as complying with the requirements of Standard 50.

i. *Chemical feed stop.* The chemical feed systems shall be designed so that chemical feed is automatically and positively stopped when the recirculation flow is interrupted.

j. *Test equipment.* Test equipment complying with the following requirements shall be provided.



(1) The test equipment shall provide for the direct measurement of free chlorine and combined chlorine from 0 to 10 ppm in increments of 0.2 ppm or less over the full range, or total bromine from 0 to 20 ppm in increments of 0.5 ppm over the full range.

(2) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of spa water pH from 7.0 to 8.0 with at least five increments in that range.

(3) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of total alkalinity and calcium hardness with increments of 10 ppm or less.

(4) The test equipment shall provide for the measurement of cyanuric acid from 30 to 100 ppm. This requirement may be waived for a facility that does not use cyanuric acid or a stabilized chlorine disinfectant.

**15.52(12) Safety.**

*a. Spa entry.* A spa shall have at least one stairway, ramp, ladder, or set of recessed steps designating a point of entry and exit for every 50 ft of perimeter or fraction thereof.

(1) Stair steps leading into a spa shall be at least 12 inches wide, the tread depth shall be no less than 10 inches, and the riser height shall be no more than 12 inches. If a bench or seat is used as a part of the stair, the first riser height from the bottom of the spa to the seat or bench shall be no more than 14 inches. Except for the first riser, the riser height shall be uniform.

1. Stair steps shall be provided with a slip-resistant surface.

2. The stair steps shall be provided with two handrails or grab rails, one on each side of the steps.

(2) Ladders.

1. Ladders shall be provided with a handrail which extends from below the water surface to the top surface of the deck on each side of the ladder.

2. Ladders shall be of a color contrasting with the spa walls.

(3) Recessed steps.

1. Recessed steps shall have a tread depth of at least 5 inches, a tread width of at least 12 inches, and a uniform rise of no more than 12 inches.

2. Recessed steps shall be provided with a handrail or with deck-level grab rails on each side of the recessed steps.

3. Recessed steps shall drain to the spa.

(4) Handrails and grab rails.

1. Ladders, handrails, and grab rails shall be designed to be securely anchored and so that tools are required for their removal.

2. Ladders, handrails, and grab rails shall be of corrosion-resistant materials, or provided with corrosion-resistant coatings. They shall have no exposed sharp edges.

*b. Agitation system control.* The agitation system start control shall be installed out of the reach of persons in the spa. The "on" cycle for the agitation system shall be no more than ten minutes.

*c. Electrical.* New construction or reconstruction shall comply with the requirements of the National Electrical Code, 70-2005, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

*d. Lighting.* Artificial lighting shall be provided at indoor spas and at outdoor spas which are to be used after sunset, in accordance with the following:

(1) Underwater lighting of at least 60 lamp lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 0.5 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of water surface area and area lighting of at least 10 lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 0.6 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of deck area.

(2) If underwater lights are not provided, overhead lighting of at least 30 lumens/ft<sup>2</sup> or 2.0 watts/ft<sup>2</sup> of spa water surface area shall be provided.

*e. Spa enclosure.*

(1) A spa shall be enclosed by a fence, wall, building, or combination thereof not less than 4 ft high. The spa enclosure shall be constructed of durable materials. A spa may be in the same room or enclosure as another spa or a swimming pool.

(2) A fence, wall, or other means of enclosure shall have no openings that would allow the passage of a 4-inch sphere, and shall not be easily climbable by toddlers. The distance between the ground and the top of the lowest horizontal support accessible from the outside of the facility, or between the two

lowest horizontal supports accessible from outside the facility, shall be at least 45 inches. A horizontal support is considered accessible if it is on the exterior of the fence relative to the spa, or if the gap between the vertical members of the fence is greater than 1¾ inches.

(3) At least one gate or door with an opening of at least 36 inches in width shall be provided for emergency purposes. When closed, gates and doors shall comply with the requirements of (2) above. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard or structured program supervision is provided whenever the spa is open, gates and doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

(4) For indoor spas, if there are sleeping rooms, apartments, condominiums, or permanent recreation areas used by children which open directly into the spa area, the spa shall be enclosed by a barrier at least 3 ft high. No opening in the barrier shall permit the passage of a 4-inch sphere. There shall be at least one 36-inch-wide gate or door through the barrier. Gates and doors shall be lockable. Except where lifeguard supervision is provided whenever the spa is open, gates or doors shall be self-closing and self-latching.

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CHAPTER 18  
TOURIST CAMPS, TRAILER CAMPS, CABIN CAMPS, CONSTRUCTION CAMPS  
AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS AND AREAS  
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CHAPTER 19  
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CHAPTER 20  
COMMUNITY WATER FLUORIDATION GRANT PROGRAM

**641—20.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the Iowa community water fluoridation grant program is to provide grants to fluoride-deficient public water supplies to assist them in implementing water fluoridation.

The dental health bureau, division of family and community health of the Iowa department of public health, will administer federal Preventive Health and Health Services block grant funds to reimburse eligible local government agencies and nonprofit public water systems for costs involved in implementing water fluoridation.

**641—20.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Cost”* means costs related to the implementation of community water fluoridation including, but not necessarily limited to, purchase of equipment for introducing fluoride into the water supply, safety equipment, fluoride analytical equipment, estimated fluoride chemicals for the first year’s operation, and installation of equipment, including all necessary plumbing and electrical connections.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Eligible applicant”* means an incorporated city which operates a fluoride-deficient public water system or a fluoride-deficient public water supply which is federally tax-exempt and incorporated under the Iowa nonprofit corporation Act. Public water systems (operated by incorporated cities or otherwise as above) which currently fluoridate may apply for grant funds for equipment replacement.

*“Fluoride-deficient”* refers to a public water system that contains less than 0.7 milligrams of fluoride ion per liter of water.

*“Plans”* means plans, specifications and schedules prepared for submission to the department of natural resources to obtain a construction permit.

**641—20.3(135) Applications.** Applications shall be submitted on forms provided by the department. Applications shall be sent to the Dental Health Bureau, Division of Family and Community Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

Each application shall contain at least the following information:

**20.3(1)** A description of the water system including sources of water, treatment processes, existing chemical additions, and structures housing existing facilities and equipment.

**20.3(2)** The number of persons served by the water system.

**20.3(3)** A copy of the governing body’s authorization to implement community water fluoridation.

**20.3(4)** The most recent mineral analysis of the raw and treated water.

**641—20.4(135) Review and rating of applications.** The department shall review each application to determine that the applicant is eligible and that the application is complete. The priority of eligible applicants will be established by the department based on the following criteria in order of importance:

**20.4(1)** Number of people served by the water system. In cases with equal or nearly equal population, priority will be given to the water system serving the higher number of children.

**20.4(2)** Technical difficulty and cost of implementing fluoridation.

**20.4(3)** Amount of fluoride deficiency, i.e., the difference between the optimum fluoride concentration as established by the department and the fluoride concentration in the water produced by the water system.

**20.4(4)** Date of authorization of fluoridation by the water system governing body.

**20.4(5)** Applicants for funding of equipment replacement shall be lower in priority than applicants initiating community water fluoridation. The department shall evaluate these applicants based on the immediacy of the need for replacement, the population served by the water system, and the cost of the replacement equipment.

**641—20.5(135) Project contracts.** The department shall execute a contract with each grantee for the amount awarded. The grantee shall not install, construct or purchase any equipment, chemical or service except preliminary consultation services under the terms of 20.6(1) “b” before the execution of a contract with the department.

**20.5(1)** The grantee shall agree to arrange for the installation of a fluoridation system, to procure fluoride chemical and to operate and monitor the equipment within the requirements of the department for a period of five years from the date fluoridation operation is started.

*a.* The grantee shall analyze water samples for fluoride content as required by the rules of the department of natural resources and shall report the results of the analyses to the department monthly.

*b.* The grantee shall submit at least one split sample per month to a laboratory certified by the department of natural resources for the analysis of fluoride in drinking water. The results of this analysis shall be reported to the department at least monthly. If a water system operated by a grantee serves fewer than 500 persons, the frequency of sample submission shall be at least one per calendar quarter.

*c.* The grantee shall notify the department within 5 business days if the operation of the fluoridation equipment is interrupted for more than 14 consecutive days. The notification shall include the reason for the interruption and its anticipated duration.

**20.5(2)** The department shall agree to reimburse the grantee for the cost of the fluoridation system.

**641—20.6(135) Implementation procedures.** Applicants whose projects are selected for funding shall be notified by the department in writing.

**20.6(1) Plans.**

*a.* The department shall prepare plans for the grantee and submit them to the department of natural resources, or

*b.* The grantee may have plans prepared by a private consultant. In addition to the cost specified in 20.2(135), the department will reimburse the estimated travel, lodging and meals expense that would have been incurred if the department prepared the plans, and the department of natural resources plan review fee.

*c.* If the plans are prepared by a private consultant, they shall be submitted to the department for review before submission to the department of natural resources. The department shall comment on the plans within ten business days of their receipt. The department shall determine the eligibility of each proposed service or piece of equipment for reimbursement. If the department determines that modified plans could provide for a safe, operable fluoridation system at a lower cost, the department may require that modified plans be submitted to bidders under 20.6(2) “a” as an alternate. The department will reimburse the grantee for the lowest cost bid which meets the requirements of the plans or modified plans.

**20.6(2)** Within 60 days after a construction permit for the fluoridation system is issued by the department of natural resources, the grantee shall initiate procurement of the required equipment, services and chemicals.

*a.* The grantee shall procure the major components of the fluoridation system, including any chemical feed device, any scale or tank, any control device, analytical equipment, and any apparatus or piece of equipment costing more than \$300 by a competitive bid process.

(1) Each firm which bids on a project shall provide in writing to the grantee the brand name and model number of each major component of the fluoridation system and shall include product literature to demonstrate that the component will meet the project specifications.

(2) Bids shall be confidential until they are examined at an open meeting of the governing body of the grantee.

(3) The department shall review the product literature submitted for each project bid before the grantee awards the project. The department shall judge the compliance of each major component with the project specifications and may require that a modified bid be submitted. If a firm has submitted an apparent low bid, it shall be allowed a reasonable time to submit a modified bid before the project is awarded.

(4) A grantee may, with the written permission of the department, award the project to other than the low bidder. The department will reimburse the grantee for the amount of the low bid.

*b.* Installation services and the procurement of fluoride chemical may be negotiated with any firm, bearing in mind that Iowa Code section 19B.7 requires the promotion of equal opportunity in all state contracts and services and the prohibition of discriminatory and unfair practices within any program receiving or benefiting from state financial assistance in whole and in part. Negotiated agreements are subject to the review of the department. The department shall judge the reasonableness of the negotiated costs with respect to similar projects and may require additional negotiations or competitive bids before an agreement is implemented.

**641—20.7(135) Reimbursement.** After the fluoridation equipment is placed in operation, the grantee shall claim reimbursement from the department on forms provided by the department. The grantee shall enter the total expenditures for reimbursable items and services as established by the grant contract. The grantee shall submit copies of invoices for costs incurred in implementing the project.

**641—20.8(135) Termination.** If a grantee fails to comply with the provisions of the grant contract within a five-year period from the date of the receipt of the signed contract by the grantee, the department may act to recover the amount of the grant award from the grantee.

**641—20.9(135) Appeals.** Applicants whose applications were not funded have the right to appeal the decision.

An applicant whose proposal has been filed according to rules governing the grant process and who is aggrieved by the awards made pursuant to these rules may request a hearing based upon a showing that the rules governing the grant selection process have not been applied properly. The appeal must be filed with the director within one month of the notification of grant awards.

Appeals must be in writing and must clearly state how the department erred in following the rules of the grant process. The appeal must describe the remedy sought.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.11 and the fluoridation program of the federal Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant. [Part A, Title XIX, PHS Act]

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CHAPTER 21  
CENTRAL REGISTRY FOR  
BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURIES

**641—21.1(135) Purpose.** This chapter describes the central registry for brain and spinal cord injuries.

**641—21.2(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Acute injury*” means an injury for which a person has been continuously hospitalized since recognition of that injury.

“*Agency*” means Iowa department of public health.

“*Brain injury*” means any clinically evident brain damage resulting from trauma or anoxia which temporarily or permanently impairs a person’s physical or cognitive functions.

“*Hospital*” means hospital as defined by the department of inspections and appeals in Iowa Code section 135B.1.

“*Physical agent*” means mechanical energy transmitted from a living or nonliving vector to humans.

“*Reportable case*” means a person who is admitted or transferred to a hospital with a diagnosis of acute traumatic brain or spinal cord injury or a person who is pronounced dead in the emergency department of a hospital with an acute traumatic brain or spinal cord injury.

“*Spinal cord injury*” means any acute, traumatic lesion of the neural elements in the spinal canal, resulting in any degree of sensory deficit, motor deficit, or bladder/bowel dysfunction.

**641—21.3(135) Reportable injuries.** The brain and spinal cord injuries listed below are required to be reported to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, as part of a statewide population-based registry.

**21.3(1)** Reportable cases of brain injuries are those that are identified by the following codes from the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification:

- a. 348.1 (resulting from physical agents)
- b. 800.00–800.99—Fracture of vault of skull.
- c. 801.00–801.99—Fracture of base of skull.
- d. 803.00–803.99—Other and unqualified skull fractures.
- e. 804.00–804.99—Multiple fractures involving skull or face with other bones.
- f. 850.00–850.99—Concussion.
- g. 851.00–851.99—Cerebral laceration and contusion.
- h. 852.00–852.59—Subarachnoid, subdural, and extradural hemorrhage, following injury.
- i. 853.00–853.19—Other and unspecified intracranial hemorrhage following injury.
- j. 854.00–854.19—Intracranial injury of other and unspecified nature.
- k. 994.1—Drowning and other nonfatal submersion.
- l. 994.7—Asphyxiation and strangulation.

**21.3(2)** Reportable cases of spinal cord injuries are those that are identified by the following codes from the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification:

- a. 806.00–806.9—Fracture of vertebral column with spinal cord injury.
- b. 952.00–952.9—Spinal cord injury without evidence of spinal bone injury.

**641—21.4(135) Who reports and under what circumstances.** Hospitals treating, transferring, or having pronounced dead any person determined to have sustained a reportable case of traumatic brain or spinal cord injury are required to submit information as identified by the agency.

**641—21.5(135) Method and frequency of reporting.**

**21.5(1)** Hospitals shall report, electronically or on a paper form prescribed or approved by the agency, the required information for any reportable case of traumatic brain or spinal cord injury within 45 days after the end of the quarter during which the patient was discharged, transferred to another acute care hospital, or pronounced dead in the emergency department.

**21.5(2)** Reports that are submitted electronically shall meet the data quality, format, and timeliness standards prescribed by the agency which are described in the manual, available from the agency, for completing the brain and spinal cord injury registry reporting form.

**641—21.6(135) Confidentiality.**

**21.6(1)** The agency shall maintain the confidentiality of all submitted registry reports of traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries and shall not release reports, or any information which can be associated with a particular individual, unless the release is in compliance with the provisions of subrule 21.6(2).

**21.6(2)** A registry report of a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury that is submitted to the agency that can be associated with a particular individual shall be released as follows:

*a.* To the particular individual upon receipt of a written request signed by the particular individual and suitable identification presented in person to an employee designated by the agency.

*b.* If the particular individual is a minor, to a parent or attorney of the particular individual upon receipt of a written request signed by a parent or attorney of the individual and of a certified copy of the birth certificate and suitable identification presented to an employee designated by the agency.

*c.* If the particular individual has a court-appointed guardian or if the particular individual is deceased, to the court-appointed guardian or to the executor or administrator of the particular individual's estate upon receipt of a written request signed by the court-appointed guardian, executor, or administrator, and of a certified copy of the order or decree which appoints the guardian, executor, or administrator, and of suitable identification presented to an employee designated by the agency.

*d.* To an attorney or other person who is designated by the particular individual upon receipt of a written request signed by the particular individual and suitable identification presented to an employee designated by the agency.

*e.* To an authorized representative of a study or research project that shall be reviewed by a scientific advisory panel and approved by the director of public health. The director of the agency shall appoint a scientific advisory panel of no less than three scientists or public health staff to review research proposals for which the release of information that identifies an individual who is reported to have a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury is required.

*f.* The release of information for research that identifies individuals with traumatic brain or spinal cord injuries shall be subject to the terms and conditions set by the agency. Such study or research project keeps the identifying information confidential and privileged. A formal memorandum of agreement signed by an authorized representative of the agency and the director of the research project shall include provisions that the data provided by the agency shall not be copied for retention, resold, or otherwise provided to another person or organization and will be returned to the agency upon completion of the study.

*g.* The agency may transmit transcripts or copies of reported cases to state or national traumatic brain and spinal cord injury registries when the reports relate to residents of other states or countries. The agreement shall require that the transcripts or records be used for statistical purposes only and that the identity of reported cases shall not be released.

**641—21.7(135) Quality assurance.** For the purpose of ensuring the completeness and quality of submitted data, each hospital may allow the agency inspection of parts of patient's medical reports as necessary to verify or clarify these data by signing an agreement. The agency's authorized representative may enter the facility, obtain the information, and report it in the appropriate form. Prior to inspecting

the records, this agency shall work with the hospital to determine a time and date agreeable to both parties.

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CHAPTER 22  
PRACTICE OF TATTOOING

**641—22.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to stipulate the permit and operational requirements for tattoo artists and tattoo establishments.

**641—22.2(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Minor”* means an unmarried person who is under the age of 18 years.

*“Tattoo artist”* means any person engaged in the practice of tattooing.

*“Tattoo establishment”* means the building or mobile unit where tattooing is practiced.

*“Tattooing”* means to puncture the skin of a person with a needle and insert indelible permanent colors through the puncture to leave permanent marks or designs.

**641—22.3(135) General provisions.**

**22.3(1)** Tattoo artists and tattoo establishments who fail to meet the requirements of Iowa Code section 135.37 or these rules shall be guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

**22.3(2)** No person shall tattoo a minor. Violators shall be guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

**22.3(3)** No tattoo artist shall engage in the practice of tattooing without first obtaining a tattoo artist permit from the department.

**22.3(4)** Tattoo artists and tattoo establishments which are in compliance with Iowa Code section 135.37 and 641—Chapter 22 are not relieved from the requirements of any other applicable state laws or local ordinances.

**22.3(5)** Tattooing shall be practiced only in facilities that have received a tattoo establishment permit from the department.

**22.3(6)** Tattooing shall not be practiced in a residence unless the tattoo establishment is completely separated from the living quarters by a solid permanent partition. A solid door leading to the living quarters shall be permitted, provided it remains closed during business hours. A direct outside entrance to the tattoo establishment shall be provided.

**22.3(7)** Tattoo establishments shall be inspected annually.

**641—22.4(135) Sanitation and infection control.**

**22.4(1)** Tables, chairs, and other general-use equipment shall be constructed of impervious or smooth and easily cleanable material.

**22.4(2)** A sink for handwashing supplied with potable hot and cold running water shall be available in or directly adjacent to the tattooing area. Hand-washing facilities shall be supplied with liquid soap and single-use paper towels.

**22.4(3)** Toilet facilities must be available for employee use or patron use.

**22.4(4)** The tattoo establishment, including the immediate area where the tattoo procedure is to be performed, shall have an area of not less than 150 square feet and shall be adequately lighted and ventilated.

**22.4(5)** Floors in the immediate area where the tattoo procedure is to be performed shall have impervious, smooth, washable surfaces.

**22.4(6)** The entire premises and all facilities used in connection therewith shall be maintained in a clean, sanitary, vermin-free condition and in good repair.

**22.4(7)** All refuse shall be stored in rigid containers with plastic liners which are emptied at least once each business day.

**22.4(8)** Closed cabinets shall be used for the exclusive storage of instruments, dyes, pigments, stencils, tattoo machines, and other equipment.

**22.4(9)** Smoking or consumption of food or drink shall not be allowed in any area where the actual tattoo procedure is being performed.

**22.4(10)** No animals, except guide dogs for visually or hearing impaired persons, shall be permitted in a tattoo establishment.

**641—22.5(135) Equipment.**

**22.5(1)** Cups to hold ink or dye shall be for single-patron use.

**22.5(2)** Any dye or ink in which needles were dipped shall not be used on another person.

**22.5(3)** All tubes, needle bars, and needles used for the tattoo procedure that are not sterile, for single-patron use and disposable shall be physically cleaned with a detergent according to manufacturers' recommendations and then steam sterilized or dry-heat sterilized before use on another patron.

**22.5(4)** Steam sterilization shall be at 250 degrees Fahrenheit (121 degrees Celsius) for 15 minutes at a minimum pressure of 15 pounds per square inch.

**22.5(5)** Dry-heat sterilization shall be at 350 degrees Fahrenheit (170 degrees Celsius) for one hour.

**22.5(6)** Sterilizers shall be monitored monthly for spores of *Bacillus subtilis* and records shall be maintained of results.

**22.5(7)** Each tattoo establishment shall maintain written procedures to follow in the event of positive spore tests; for example, materials processed in that sterilizer, dating from the sterilization cycle having the positive biological indicator to the next cycle showing satisfactory biologic indicator challenge results, must be considered nonsterile and must be reprocessed before being used.

**22.5(8)** Each tattoo establishment shall be equipped with a container designated for disposal of used needles and other sharps. A written plan for disposal shall be required.

**22.5(9)** Any bottles of solution shall be labeled as to contents and used according to manufacturers' directions.

**22.5(10)** Use of clippers is recommended for removal of unwanted hair. After use, clippers shall be cleaned with detergent and water and then disinfected with 70 percent ethyl or isopropyl alcohol for ten minutes or with quaternary ammonium compounds as directed on the product label.

**22.5(11)** Razors shall be for single-patron use and shall be disposable.

**22.5(12)** Topical ointments shall be for single-patron use.

**22.5(13)** All equipment shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

**641—22.6(135) Procedures.**

**22.6(1)** For privacy purposes at the patron's request, there shall be in place (or readily available) a panel or other barrier of sufficient height and width to effectively separate the patron from any unwanted observers or waiting patrons. Panels or other barriers may be fixed or movable, rigid or flexible.

**22.6(2)** Tattoo artists shall scrub their hands thoroughly before beginning the tattoo. Hands shall be dried with individual single use towels.

**22.6(3)** Tattoo artists shall wear clean outer garments. It is recommended that gloves be worn by the tattoo artists during the tattoo procedure. Gloves shall be changed after each tattoo. Hands shall be washed after gloves are removed.

**22.6(4)** The skin area to be tattooed shall first be cleansed with soap and water. Single-use towels or sponges (gauze) shall be used during the cleansing procedure.

**22.6(5)** Before placing the tattoo design on the patron's skin, the tattoo artist shall prepare the skin with an antiseptic such as 70 percent ethyl or isopropyl alcohol or 10 percent iodophor solution.

**22.6(6)** Tattooing shall not be performed on any area where there is evidence of skin infection.

**22.6(7)** After the tattooing is completed, a dressing shall be applied to the tattoo area.

**22.6(8)** Persons tattooed shall be provided with printed instructions regarding tattoo care during the healing process and shall be instructed to consult a physician if signs and symptoms of an infection develop.

**641—22.7(135) Application for permit—fees.**

**22.7(1)** No tattoo establishment shall be operated in the state without having a permit to operate issued by the department.

**22.7(2)** Each person acquiring or establishing a tattoo establishment shall apply for a permit prior to beginning operation.

**22.7(3)** A permit to operate shall be issued to a new establishment when the department or its representative has successfully completed an on-site inspection. Permits shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the tattoo establishment.

**22.7(4)** Applications are available upon request from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection and Environmental Health, Tattoo Permit Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**22.7(5)** An annual, nonrefundable application fee of \$25, payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health, shall be remitted with the initial or renewal tattoo establishment application.

**22.7(6)** The annual fee for each tattoo artist permit shall be \$40.

**22.7(7)** Tattoo artist permits and tattoo establishment permits are nontransferable.

**22.7(8)** All permits expire on December 31 of each year, regardless of date of issue. Permits shall be renewed annually upon acceptance of a renewal application provided by the department and receipt of the renewal fee.

**22.7(9)** The owner of the tattoo establishment shall be billed \$200 for each tattoo establishment inspection. Tattoo establishments shall be inspected annually. When the tattoo establishment is located within a contracted area of a board of health, the costs billed will be paid to the contracted board of health, or its designee.

#### **641—22.8(135) Variances.**

**22.8(1)** A variance to these rules may be granted by the department provided sufficient information is afforded to substantiate the need for and propriety of the variance. A variance request shall be in writing and submitted to the department for consideration.

**22.8(2)** The granting or denial of a variance from these rules shall take into consideration, but shall not be limited to, the following criteria:

*a.* Substantially equal protection of health and safety must be afforded by a means other than that prescribed in the particular rule for which the variance is requested.

*b.* The degree of variance is sufficiently small so as not to pose a significant risk of injury to any individual, and the remedies necessary to alleviate the need for a variance would incur substantial and unreasonable expense on the part of the person seeking the variance.

**22.8(3)** The department shall respond in writing to all variance requests. The response shall include the reason for granting or denying the requested variance and, if approved, the time period for which the variance will be effective.

**22.8(4)** Any request for appeal concerning the denial of a variance request shall be in accordance with the procedures outlined in rule 22.9(135).

#### **641—22.9(135) Adverse actions and the appeal process.**

**22.9(1)** If the department determines that the provisions of Iowa Code section 135.37 and these rules have been or are being violated, the department may order that a tattoo establishment not be operated until the necessary corrective action has been taken. If the establishment continues to be operated in violation of the order of the department, the department may request that the county attorney or the attorney general make an application in the name of the state to the district court of the county in which the violations have occurred for an order to enjoin the violations. This remedy is in addition to any other legal remedy available to the department.

**22.9(2)** An order to cease operating shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**22.9(3)** Upon receipt of the order, the aggrieved party may request an appeal. The appeal shall be made in writing to the department within 30 days from the date of the aggrieved party's receipt of the department's order. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Tattoo Permit Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If such a request is made within the 30-day time period, the order shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the

hearing, the department may rescind the order upon satisfaction that the reason for the order has been or will be removed. After the hearing, or upon default of the aggrieved party, the administrative law judge shall affirm, modify or set aside the order. If no request for appeal is received within the 30-day time period, the department's order shall become the department's final agency action.

**22.9(4)** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**22.9(5)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10.

**22.9(6)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 22.9(7).

**22.9(7)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**22.9(8)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**22.9(9)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**22.9(10)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of the action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**22.9(11)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection, Tattoo Permit Program, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**22.9(12)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.37.

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CHAPTER 23  
Reserved



CHAPTER 24  
PRIVATE WELL TESTING, RECONSTRUCTION, AND  
PLUGGING—GRANTS TO COUNTIES

[Prior to 3/29/06, see 567—Ch 47]

**641—24.1(135) Applicability.** These rules apply to administration of the grants to counties program by the department in accordance with Iowa Code sections 135.11(29) and 455E.11, subsection 2, paragraph “b,” subparagraph (3), subdivision (b), for the purpose of testing private water wells, reconstructing private water wells, and the proper plugging of abandoned private water wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater), within the jurisdiction of each county board of health.

**641—24.2(135) Definitions.**

“*Abandoned private water well*” means a private water well which is no longer in use or which is in such a state of disrepair that continued use for the purpose of accessing groundwater is unsafe or impractical.

“*Administrative authority*” means the county board of health or the county board of health’s designee.

“*Administrative expenses*” means salary, transportation and other associated costs for conducting the private well testing, reconstruction, and plugging program.

“*Certified laboratory*” means a laboratory certified by the Iowa department of natural resources in accordance with 567 IAC 83.1(3) “a.”

“*Cistern*” means an artificial reservoir or tank constructed underground in which rainwater or private well water is stored.

“*County board of health*” means the board of health of a county as established in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 137.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Plugging*” means the closure of an abandoned well with plugging materials by procedures which will permanently seal the well from contamination by surface drainage and permanently seal off the well from contamination into an aquifer. “Well plugging” includes the proper application of filling and sealing materials.

“*Private water well*” means any excavation that is drilled, cored, driven, dug, bored, augered, jetted, washed or otherwise constructed for the purpose of supplying water for human consumption which has fewer than 15 service connections and regularly serves fewer than 25 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year and agricultural use wells.

“*Reconstruction*” means modification of the original construction of a well. “Reconstruction” includes, but is not limited to, deepening the well, installing a liner, installing or replacing a screen with one of a different diameter or length, installing a pitless adapter, extending the casing, or hydrofracturing a well. Replacing a screen with one of identical diameter and length or replacing a pitless adapter is considered repair, not reconstruction.

“*Total funds available*” means the sum of the pesticide/fertilizer taxes allocated within Iowa Code section 455E.11(2) “b” (agricultural management account), within a specific state fiscal year, plus any carryover funds remaining from the previous fiscal year, which are returned to the section 455E.11(2) “b” (agricultural management account) grants to counties fund.

**641—24.3(135) Eligibility.** Grant applications must be submitted by a county board of health. Only counties which have adopted standards for private water supply and private sewage disposal facilities (on-site wastewater treatment systems) at least as stringent as and consistent with 567 IAC 49 and 567 IAC 69 and demonstrate an effort to enforce such standards will be eligible to receive grant funds. A county is eligible to submit only one application, either as an individual applicant or as a member of a multicounty application.

**641—24.4(135) Goal and objectives.**

**24.4(1)** The goal of the program is to protect groundwater quality by providing assistance in testing all private water supply wells and to use the test information to improve the quality of water in these supplies; to assist in reconstructing eligible private wells; and to assist in plugging all abandoned private water wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater).

**24.4(2)** During each fiscal year, the amount granted each eligible applicant shall be the total funds available as defined in Iowa Code section 455E.11 divided by the number of eligible counties applying.

**24.4(3)** Specific program objectives for each county.

*a.* The specific objectives of the well testing program are:

(1) To provide for regular and periodic testing of private water supply wells using proper sampling, handling and analytical techniques.

(2) To provide for timely responses and corrective action in instances of contamination of private water supply wells.

(3) To establish a reliable and accurate database of information on the location and construction of private water supply wells and water quality of private water supply wells.

*b.* The specific objectives of the well reconstruction program are:

(1) To identify all private wells eligible for reconstruction cost assistance and to administer private well reconstruction programs.

(2) To ensure the proper reconstruction of all eligible private wells.

(3) To provide cost-sharing grants to owners to assist in the costs of properly reconstructing private wells.

*c.* The specific objectives of the abandoned private water well plugging program are:

(1) To identify all abandoned private water wells and administer abandoned private water well plugging programs.

(2) To develop abandoned private water well plugging plans in accordance with administrative rules relating to the priority order and the proper plugging of abandoned wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater).

(3) To ensure the proper plugging of all abandoned private water wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater).

(4) To provide cost-sharing grants to owners to assist in the costs of properly plugging abandoned private water wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater).

**641—24.5(135) Eligible grant costs.** The following are annual eligible costs for which the department will reimburse participating counties:

**24.5(1)** Up to \$500 for private water well-related training expenses, including registration, mileage, and per diem for employees attending department-approved trainings. Training approval is granted to water well-related training sponsored by the department, Iowa Water Well Association, Iowa department of natural resources, and the Iowa Ground Water Association. Other trainings must receive approval of the department prior to submitting a voucher for expenses.

**24.5(2)** Up to \$250 for equipment expenses related to the grants to counties program. Eligible equipment includes, but is not limited to, Global Positioning System (GPS) units, private water well data software, inspection equipment, cameras, and sampling equipment.

**24.5(3)** Up to \$250 for advertising and promotional expenses to educate county residents about the availability of funds for private water well testing, abandoned well plugging, and private water well reconstruction.

**24.5(4)** \$75 will be paid for each private water well test conducted under the program, including \$45 for administrative expenses. At a minimum, well sampling shall include analyses for total nitrate (including nitrite) and total coliform bacteria.

**24.5(5)** \$475 will be paid for each abandoned private water well plugging conducted in accordance with 567 IAC 39, including \$75 for administrative expenses. Private water well plugging must be conducted by a certified individual as defined in 567 IAC 82 or by the well owner under direct supervision by the county.

**24.5(6)** \$375 will be paid for each cistern plugging but only for those cisterns deemed by the administrative authority to impact groundwater, including \$75 for administrative expenses. Cistern plugging must be conducted by a certified individual as defined in 567 IAC 82 or by the well owner under direct supervision by the county.

**24.5(7)** Up to \$600 in reconstruction costs plus 33 percent of actual reconstruction costs for administrative purposes will be paid for each private water well reconstruction. Grant funds may be used to conduct reconstruction intended to preclude contamination due to surface water intrusion by coliform or other infectious bacteria. Examples include repairs of casing, well caps, or pitless adapters, and elimination of well pits.

**641—24.6(135) Ineligible grant costs.** Grant funds shall not be used for the following:

**24.6(1)** Conducting environmental health programs other than those related to the private well testing, reconstruction, and plugging program.

**24.6(2)** Conducting activities outlined in rule 24.5(135) prior to or after the grant period specified.

**24.6(3)** Analytical services performed by other than a certified laboratory.

**24.6(4)** Sampling and analytical costs for testing public water supply wells.

**24.6(5)** Cost of laboratory analytical equipment.

**24.6(6)** Sampling and analytical costs for testing of wells other than private water supply wells.

**24.6(7)** Sampling and analytical costs for testing of parameters which have not had either a maximum contaminant level or an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) health advisory level established.

**24.6(8)** Reconstructing a well which does not meet separation distances as established in 567 IAC 49. Grant moneys cannot be used for reconstruction of a well which, in the judgment of the administrative authority, will remain a hazard to groundwater quality.

**641—24.7(135) Performance requirements.** The following minimum standards must be met by all grantees:

**24.7(1) *Sample collection.*** Private water supply well samples are to be collected using proper sample collection and handling techniques as specified by the department. Samples shall be collected by a qualified staff person pursuant to 24.7(3) who is employed by or under contract with the local board of health.

**24.7(2) *Background information.*** For each well tested, reconstructed, or plugged, all appropriate information must be verified by a qualified staff person pursuant to 24.7(3) who is employed by or under contract with the local board of health and must be entered into the private well tracking system (PWTS) managed by the Iowa department of natural resources. Information shall include at a minimum:

*a.* The name and address of the private water well owner or abandoned private water well owner.

*b.* Private water well or abandoned private water well location to the quarter, quarter, quarter section or latitude and longitude coordinates.

*c.* Records of dates for reconstructing private water wells or plugging abandoned private water wells (including cisterns).

*d.* The name and the license number of the water well contractor conducting the private water well reconstruction or the abandoned private water well plugging.

**24.7(3) *Qualified staff.*** Staff performing services under this agreement shall complete a minimum of 12 hours of continuing education every year as approved by the Iowa Environmental Health Association Environmental Health Registry Program.

**24.7(4) *Laboratory analyses.*** All analyses must be performed by a laboratory certified by the department of natural resources in accordance with 567 IAC 83.1(3) "a" and shall conform with the following:

*a.* The total coliform bacteria analyses must be performed using an EPA-approved reference method suitable for producing accurate results considering the conditions of the water being tested.

*b.* Copies of test results must be retained by the grantee and be provided to the owner and user and to the board of health of the county in which the well is located. Copies of the test results will be provided to the department upon request.

**24.7(5) *Follow-up.*** The grantee will be responsible for follow-up and response to requests from the well owner or well user for assistance relative to well test results, the well testing program, and satisfactory well construction and location.

**24.7(6) *Adopted standards.*** All counties participating in the program must have adopted standards for private water supplies and private sewage disposal facilities which are at least as stringent as and consistent with the standards adopted by the commission in 567 IAC 49 for nonpublic water wells and 567 IAC 69 for on-site wastewater treatment and disposal systems.

**24.7(7) *Quarterly reports.*** All counties participating in the program shall submit quarterly reports to claim expenses incurred under this program on a claim voucher provided by the department.

**24.7(8) *Workplan.*** A detailed workplan including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. The names and qualifications of personnel responsible for carrying out the program.
- b. The name and address of the certified laboratory(ies) which will be providing analytical services.
- c. A description of any proposed environmental health and public information programs related to the private well testing, abandoned well plugging, or private well reconstruction programs.
- d. Methods to be used by the applicant for selecting private water wells for testing, abandoned private water wells for plugging, or private water wells for reconstruction.
- e. The duties to be performed by any subcontractor for any part of the grant.
- f. A description of the follow-up activities to be performed by staff in responding to test results.
- g. A record-keeping and reporting policy.
- h. Methods of notifying participating well owners.

**641—24.8(135) Contents of grant application.** The application shall include:

**24.8(1)** The name, address, and telephone number of the chairperson of the county board of health. For applications representing more than one county, the applicant is the chairperson of the county board of health of the lead county responsible for administering the grant.

**24.8(2)** The name of each county represented in the grant application.

**24.8(3)** Upon request from the department, a copy of the adopted standards outlined in subrule 24.7(6) for each county represented in the application.

**24.8(4)** For multicounty applications, signed Iowa Code chapter 28E agreements between each participating county and the applicant.

**24.8(5)** If applicable, an identification of any subcontractor who will participate in the private water well testing, abandoned private water well plugging program, or private water well reconstruction program, including mailing address and telephone number.

**641—24.9(135) Grant application submission.**

**24.9(1) *Application form.*** Participating counties shall complete an application form provided by the department.

**24.9(2) *Submission.*** The department will notify each county board of health at least 60 days prior to the grant application due date. Completed applications must be received by the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, by the close of business on the application due date. Applications not received by the application due date will be considered ineligible to receive funding during the appropriate fiscal year.

**641—24.10(135) Multicounty grant applications.** Two or more counties may join together to apply for a grant. However, for the purposes of multicounty grant programs, the department will accept only one application from the counties involved. The application shall identify the lead county responsible for administering the grant. For multicounty programs, the department will make one grant to the lead county and not to each individual participating county. However, each county represented in the grant application will receive an equal distribution of dollars.

**641—24.11(135) Grant period.** Grants will be awarded to successful applicants on an annual basis concurrent with the state fiscal year beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30 of the following calendar year.

**641—24.12(135) Record keeping and retention.** A grantee shall retain all records and supporting documents related to the administration of the grant for a period of three years. Representatives of the state auditor's office and the department or the department's designee shall have access to all files, accounts and documents pertaining to the grant.

**641—24.13(135) Grant amendments.** Grant agreements which have been approved may be amended, if funds are available, to increase or decrease the program scope or to increase or decrease the program costs.

**641—24.14(135) Termination or forfeiture of grant funds.**

**24.14(1)** The grant will be forfeited if the grant was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation regardless of whether grant moneys have already been given to the grantee. Any grant moneys received or spent shall be repaid to the department.

**24.14(2)** If the department determines that activities agreed upon in the grant agreement have not been satisfactorily completed, forfeiture of a portion of or the entire grant may result.

**24.14(3)** The continuation or renewal of a grant shall be contingent upon the county's acceptable performance in carrying out its responsibilities described in the workplan and in meeting the grant program goals and objectives. All grants will be issued for not more than a period of one year concurrent with a state fiscal year. Applicants must reapply to continue or renew any grant within the specified grant application acceptance period. The department may deny awarding of a grant extension or withdraw a grant if it is determined that the county has not carried out the grant responsibilities.

**24.14(4)** An applicant may appeal the denial of a properly submitted grant application. Appeals shall be governed by rule 641 IAC 176.8(135,17A).

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 455E.11 and 135.11(29).

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CHAPTER 25  
STATE PLUMBING CODE  
[Prior to 7/29/87, see Health Department[470] Ch 25]

**641—25.1(135) Adoption.** Sections of Chapter 1 listed below, Chapters 2 to 10, and Chapters 13 to 15 of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition, as published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, 20001 South Walnut Drive, Walnut, California 91789-2825, are hereby adopted by reference with amendments as the state plumbing code authorized by Iowa Code section 135.11(5).

101.3	101.5	103.8
101.4	103.5.3	

Local ordinances or rules and regulations may provide for higher but not lower standards than those found in the state plumbing code. Local ordinances or rules and regulations shall be consistent with Iowa Code section 364.3(3).

**641—25.2(135) Applicability.** The provisions of this code are applicable to the plumbing in buildings or on premises within cities and to plumbing in a building or on premises located outside the corporate limits of any city if the building or premises is served by an individual connection to a municipally owned water distribution system or wastewater collection system.

**641—25.3(135) Fuel gas piping.** Fuel gas piping shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/NFPA 54, National Fuel Gas Code, 1999 Edition. Liquefied petroleum gas facilities and appliances shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/NFPA 58, Standard for the Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gases, 2001 Edition.

**641—25.4(135) Amendments to the Uniform Plumbing Code.**

**25.4(1)** Section 413.1. Add the following after the table and before the footnotes:

A restaurant with an occupancy of 50 or less complies with these requirements if it has one restroom with one water closet and one lavatory.

NOTE: The rules of the Iowa department of inspections and appeals require that separate restrooms for males and females be provided in facilities that serve beer or liquor (481—31.9(137F)).

Urinal requirements apply only to male-only restrooms.

The division of occupancy is to be based upon one half being male and one half being female. The number of occupants shall be determined by use and the occupancy class of the state building code or the local building code that is in effect.

The number of fixtures may be graduated within the group. Example: 8:101-200

4 fixtures are required for 100 persons.

5 fixtures are required for 101-125 persons.

6 fixtures are required for 126-150 persons.

7 fixtures are required for 151-175 persons.

8 fixtures are required for 176-200 persons.

Accessibility for the physically disabled shall be provided as required by Iowa Code chapter 103A.

**25.4(2)** Section 501.0. Delete the second sentence of the section and delete Table 5-1.

**25.4(3)** Section 510.8. Delete the section.

**25.4(4)** Section 603.2. Delete subsection 603.2.3.

**25.4(5)** Section 603.4. Delete the text of subsection 603.4.13 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

The potable water supply to carbonator shall be protected by a stainless steel dual check valve with an atmospheric vent as approved by the administrative authority for the specific use.

**25.4(6)** Section 604.1.

Add a note to the end of the section:

NOTE: The use of plastic water supply pipe above grade inside certain licensed care facilities is prohibited by the rules of the Iowa department of inspections and appeals [481—subrules 60.11(4) and 61.11(4), Iowa Administrative Code].

**25.4(7)** Section 604.2. Delete the section and insert in lieu thereof the following:

604.2 Copper tube for water piping shall have a weight of not less than Type M copper tubing.

EXCEPTION: Copper tube for underground water piping shall have a weight of not less than Type K copper tubing.

**25.4(8)** Section 701.1. Delete subsections 701.1.4 and 701.1.5 and insert in lieu thereof:

701.1.4 Copper tube for underground drainage and vent piping shall have a weight of not less than that of copper drainage tube Type L.

701.1.5 Copper tube for aboveground drainage and vent piping shall have a weight of not less than that of copper drainage tubing Type M.

EXCEPTION: Type DWV may be used in one- and two-family dwellings.

**25.4(9)** Section 703.1. Add this sentence to the end of the section:

No underground drainage piping shall be less than two inches in diameter.

**25.4(10)** Section 710.1. Add the following sentences to the end of the section:

The requirement for the installation of a backwater valve shall apply only when it is determined necessary by the administrative authority based on local conditions. When a valve is required by the administrative authority, it shall be a manually operated gate valve or fullway ball valve. An automatic backwater valve may also be installed, but is not required.

**25.4(11)** Section 710.14. Delete the section.

**25.4(12)** Section 717.0. Add this sentence to the end of the section:

The minimum diameter for a building sewer shall be four inches.

**25.4(13)** Section 807.4. Delete the section and insert in lieu thereof the following:

807.4 No domestic dishwashing machine shall be directly connected to a drainage system or food waste disposer without the use of an approved dishwasher air gap fitting on the discharge side of the dishwashing machine, or by looping the discharge line of the dishwasher as high as possible near the flood level of the kitchen sink where the waste disposer is connected. Listed air gap fittings shall be installed with the flood level (FL) marking at or above the flood level of the sink or drainboard, whichever is higher.

**25.4(14)** Section 903.2. Delete subsections 903.2.1 and 903.2.2 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

903.2.1 Copper tube for underground drainage and vent piping shall have a weight of not less than that of copper drainage tube Type L.

903.2.2 Copper tube for aboveground drainage and vent piping shall have a weight of not less than that of copper drainage tubing Type M.

EXCEPTION: Type DWV may be used in one- and two-family dwellings.

**25.4(15)** Section 904.1. Delete the third sentence of the section and the exception and insert in lieu thereof the following:

No underground vent piping shall be less than two inches in diameter. Each building shall have a vent stack or main vent equal in size or larger than the required building sewer. The vent stack or main vent shall extend through the roof undiminished in size.

EXCEPTION: In residential buildings of four stories or less, a three-inch vent stack or main vent is permitted. For the purposes of this exception, “residential” includes hotels and motels.

**25.4(16)** Section 906.7. Change “two (2) inches (50.8 mm)” to “three (3) inches (76.2 mm)”.

**25.4(17)** Section 908.0. Delete “Vertical” from the section title.

**25.4(18)** Section 908.1. Delete “vertical” in the first sentence of the section.

**25.4(19)** Section 1002.2. Delete Table 10-1 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

TABLE 10-1  
Horizontal Distance of Trap Arms  
(Except for water closets and similar fixtures)\*

Trap Arm Size		Distance Trap to Vent	
Inches	Millimeters	Feet	Meters
1¼	31.8	5	1.52
1½	38.1	6	1.83
2	50.8	8	2.44
3	76.2	12	3.66
4 and larger	102 and larger	12	3.66

Slope one-fourth (¼) inch per foot (20.9 mm/m)

\*The developed length between the trap of a water closet or similar fixture (measured from the top of the closet ring (closet flange) to the inner edge of the vent) and its vent shall not exceed six (6) feet (1.8 m).

**25.4(20)** Appendices. Chapter 11 and the appendices in the Uniform Plumbing Code are not approved as part of the Iowa state plumbing code; however, except for Appendix K (private sewage disposal), Chapter 11 and the appendices may be used as a point of reference when circumstances warrant. 567—Chapter 69, Iowa Administrative Code, is the standard for private sewage disposal. Chapter 12 of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition, may be used to govern fuel gas piping except as it conflicts with ANSI/NFPA 54, National Fuel Gas Code, 1999 Edition, or ANSI/NFPA 58, Standard for the Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gases, 2001 Edition.

**641—25.5(135) Backflow prevention with containment.** Cities with populations of 15,000 or greater as determined by the 1990 census or any subsequent special census shall enact a backflow prevention program with containment by January 1, 1996. The minimum requirements for a program are given in subrules 25.5(1) through 25.5(5). These requirements are in addition to the applicable requirements of Section 603 of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition.

**25.5(1) Definitions.** The following definitions are added to those in Chapter 2 and Section 603 of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition, or are modified from those definitions for the purposes of rule 641—25.5(135) only.

*a. Administrative authority.* The administrative authority for this rule is the city council and its designees.

*b. Approved backflow prevention assembly for containment.* Approved backflow prevention assembly for containment means a backflow prevention assembly which is approved by the University of Southern California—Foundation for Cross Connection Control and Hydraulic Research. The approval listing shall include the limitations of use based on the degree of hazard. The backflow prevention assembly shall also be listed by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) or by the American Society of Sanitary Engineering (ASSE) as having met the requirements of one of the standards listed below.

Standard	Product Covered
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /ASSE* 1013-1999	Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Preventers
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /ASSE* 1015-1999	Double Check Backflow Prevention Assembly
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /ASSE* 1047-1999	Reduced Pressure Detector Backflow Preventer
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /ASSE* 1048-1999	Double Check Detector Assembly Backflow Preventer
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /AWWA <sup>†</sup> C510-97	Double Check Valve Backflow Prevention Assembly
ANSI <sup>®</sup> /AWWA <sup>†</sup> C511-97	Reduced-Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly

□American National Standards Institute, 1819 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20036

\*American Society of Sanitary Engineering, 28901 Clemens Road, Suite 100, Westlake, OH 44145

†American Water Works Association, 6666 West Quincy Avenue, Denver, CO 80235

*c. Approved backflow prevention assembly for containment in a fire protection system.* Approved backflow prevention assembly for containment in a fire protection system means a backflow prevention assembly to be used in a fire protection system which meets the requirements of Factory Mutual Research Corporation (FM) and Underwriters Laboratory (UL) in addition to the requirements of 25.5(1)“b.”

*d. Containment.* Containment is a method of backflow prevention which requires a backflow prevention assembly on certain water services. Containment requires that the backflow prevention assembly be installed on the water service as close to the public water supply main as is practical.

*e. Customer.* Customer means the owner, operator or occupant of a building or property which has a water service from a public water system, or the owner or operator of a private water system which has a water service from a public water system.

*f. Degree of hazard.* Degree of hazard means the rating of a cross connection or a water service which indicates if it has the potential to cause contamination (high hazard) or pollution (low hazard).

*g. Water service.* Depending on the context, water service is the physical connection between a public water system and a customer’s building, property or private water system, or the act of providing potable water from a public water system to a customer.

**25.5(2) Proposed water service.**

*a.* No person shall install, or cause to have installed, a water service to a building, property or private water system before the administrative authority has evaluated the proposed water service for degree of hazard.

*b.* The administrative authority shall require the submission of plans, specifications and other information deemed necessary for a building, property or private water system to which a water service is proposed. The administrative authority shall review the information submitted to determine if cross connections will exist and the degree of hazard.

*c.* The owner of a building, property or private water system shall install, or cause to have installed, an approved backflow prevention assembly for containment as directed by the administrative authority before water service is initiated.

*d.* Reconstruction of an existing water service shall be treated as a proposed water service for the purposes of rule 641—25.5(135).

**25.5(3) Existing water services.**

*a.* The administrative authority shall publish the standards which it uses to determine the degree of hazard for a water service. These shall be consistent with standards published by the Iowa department of public health.

*b.* Each customer shall survey the activities and processes which receive water from the water service and shall report to the administrative authority if cross connections exist and the degree of hazard.

*c.* The administrative authority may inspect the plumbing of any building, property and private water system which has a water service to determine if cross connections exist and the degree of hazard.

*d.* If, based on information provided through 25.5(3)“b” and “c,” the administrative authority determines that a water service may contaminate the public water supply, the administrative authority shall require that the customer install the appropriate backflow prevention assembly for containment.

*e.* If a customer refuses to install a backflow prevention assembly for containment when it is required by the administrative authority, the administrative authority may order that water service to the customer be discontinued until an appropriate backflow prevention assembly is installed.

**25.5(4) Backflow prevention assemblies for containment.**

*a.* Backflow prevention assemblies for containment shall be installed immediately following the water meter or as close to that location as deemed practical by the administrative authority.

*b.* A water service determined to present a high hazard shall be protected by an air gap or an approved reduced-pressure principle backflow prevention assembly.

*c.* A water service determined to present a low hazard shall be protected by an approved double check valve assembly or as in 25.5(4)“b.”

*d.* A water service to a fire protection system shall be protected from backflow in accordance with the recommendations of American Water Works Association Manual M14. Where backflow prevention is required for a fire protection system, an approved backflow prevention assembly for containment in a fire protection system shall be used.

**25.5(5)** *Backflow incidents.*

*a.* The customer shall immediately notify the agency providing water service when the customer becomes aware that backflow has occurred in the building, property or private water system receiving water service.

*b.* The administrative authority may order that a water service be temporarily shut off when a backflow occurs in a customer's building, property or private water system.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 135.

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CHAPTER 26  
BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TESTER REGISTRATION

**641—26.1(135K) Applicability.** This chapter applies to all persons who test or repair backflow prevention assemblies in Iowa.

**641—26.2(135K) Definitions.**

“*ABPA*” means the American Backflow Prevention Association, P.O. Box 3051, Bryan, Texas 77805-3051.

“*Administrative authority*” means an individual, board, department, or agency employed by a city, county or other political subdivision of the state and authorized by local ordinance to administer and enforce the provisions of the plumbing code.

“*Approved continuing education course*” means a department-approved course that is designed to supplement or refresh the knowledge of a registered tester and to meet the requirements of subparagraph 26.5(2) “a”(2).

“*Approved training course*” means a department-approved course that is designed to train individuals to test and repair backflow prevention assemblies.

“*ASSE*” means the American Society of Sanitary Engineering, 28901 Clemens Road, Suite 100, Westlake, Ohio 44145.

“*AWWA*” means the American Water Works Association, 6666 West Quincy Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80235.

“*Backflow prevention assembly*” for the purposes of this chapter means a device or means to prevent backflow into a potable water system for which a method of testing the device in-line has been published by the Foundation of Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research at the University of Southern California.

NOTE: As of May 7, 2003, the following assemblies are included under this definition. This is not intended to be an exclusive list. If new devices and test methods are introduced that meet the definition, they are included under the rules.

Backflow Prevention Assembly	Product Standards
Double Check Valve Assembly	ASSE 1015-99, AWWA C510-97
Double Check Detector Assembly	ASSE 1048-99
Pressure Vacuum Breaker	ASSE 1020-98
Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Preventer	ASSE 1013-99, AWWA 511-97
Reduced Pressure Detector Assembly	ASSE 1047-99
Spill Resistant Pressure Vacuum Breaker	ASSE 1056-2001

“*Certified*” as used in these rules means certified as a backflow prevention assembly tester under the requirements of ABPA or another third-party certification agency.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Proctor*” means an individual designated by a third-party certification agency to conduct certification examinations of backflow prevention assembly testers.

“*Registered backflow prevention assembly tester*” or “*registered tester*” means a person who has successfully completed an approved training course, or who is certified, and who has registered with the department in accordance with 641—26.5(135K).

“*Third-party certification agency*” means the ABPA or another agency approved by the department to certify the knowledge and skills of backflow prevention assembly testers.

**641—26.3(135K) Registration required.** No person shall test or repair a backflow prevention assembly unless the person is a registered backflow prevention assembly tester.

**641—26.4(135K) Backflow prevention assembly tester training.****26.4(1) Tester training.**

a. A person or organization that plans to conduct or sponsor a backflow prevention assembly tester training course in Iowa shall apply to the department for approval of the course at least 15 days before the first time the course is held. If a training course has been approved prior to May 7, 2003, the sponsor is not required to reapply for approval. The application shall include:

- (1) Sponsoring organization name, contact person, address, and telephone number.
- (2) Course dates and times, if a course has been scheduled.
- (3) Course location, including street address, if a course has been scheduled.
- (4) Course outline, including the approximate time allotted to each training segment.
- (5) A list of reference materials, texts and audio-visual materials used in the course.
- (6) A copy of the written examination for the course and a written description of the elements and standards of proficiency for the practical examination.
- (7) The name(s) and qualifications of the instructor(s).
- (8) A list of the backflow prevention assemblies available for classwork and the number of test stations available for the students.
- (9) The maximum class size.
- (10) A \$100 nonrefundable fee.

b. The department shall review the application and respond to the applicant within 10 business days after the department receives the application.

c. The course sponsor shall notify the department at least 15 days before an approved training course is started. The notification shall include:

- (1) Sponsoring organization name, contact person, address, and telephone number.
- (2) Course dates and times.
- (3) Course location, including street address.
- (4) A \$25 nonrefundable fee.

d. A training course shall be at least 32 instructional hours and shall cover at least the following subjects:

- (1) Backflow definitions, causes and examples.
- (2) Description of backflow prevention assemblies, their proper application and installation, and their operational characteristics.
- (3) Description and operational characteristics of test equipment.
- (4) Techniques for testing backflow prevention assemblies.
- (5) Troubleshooting of backflow prevention assemblies.
- (6) Record keeping and the responsibilities of regulatory agencies and the registered tester.

The course shall conclude with a written examination of at least 100 questions and a practical examination of testing techniques on all types of testable backflow prevention assemblies. The time for testing shall be in addition to the required instructional hours. To have successfully completed the course, the student must achieve a passing mark of at least 70 percent on the written examination and demonstrate proficiency in testing and troubleshooting procedures.

ABPA or other approved third-party certification agency testing may be substituted for the course test.

e. The lead course instructor shall:

- (1) Have successfully completed an approved training course, document the successful completion of a course that meets the requirements of an approved training course, or be certified.
- (2) Have at least three years of experience in cross connection control.

f. Backflow prevention assembly testing instruction laboratory.

(1) The testing laboratory for a training course shall be equipped with examples of each of the backflow prevention assemblies from at least three different manufacturers. If fewer than three manufacturers make a type of backflow prevention assembly, at least one example of that type of backflow prevention assembly shall be provided. At least one double check valve assembly and one reduced pressure principle assembly larger than two inches shall be provided.



(2) The testing laboratory shall provide at least one test station per three students.

**26.4(2) Continuing education training.**

a. A person or organization that plans to conduct or sponsor a continuing education course for registered testers in Iowa shall apply to the department for approval of the course at least 15 days before the course is scheduled to begin. The application shall include:

- (1) Sponsoring organization name, contact person, address, and telephone number.
- (2) Course date and time.
- (3) Course location, including street address.
- (4) Course outline, including the approximate time allotted to each training segment.
- (5) A list of reference materials, texts and audio-visual materials used in the course.
- (6) A list of backflow prevention assemblies that will be used for the course (if applicable).
- (7) The name(s) and qualifications of the instructor(s).
- (8) A \$25 nonrefundable fee.

b. The department shall review the application and respond to the applicant within ten business days after the department receives the application.

c. A continuing education course shall be on cross connection control theory and practice; backflow prevention devices and methods; backflow prevention assembly installation, testing, troubleshooting and repair; codes and rules affecting cross connection control; safety issues related to installation and testing of backflow prevention assemblies; or related subjects approved by the department.

**26.4(3) Third-party certification agencies.**

a. An agency that wishes to be a third-party certification agency in Iowa shall submit to the department a request for approval in writing on agency letterhead, signed by an authorized representative of the agency. The request shall include at least the following information:

- (1) A copy of the written examination and whether it is open- or closed-book.
- (2) A copy of the testing procedures that are the basis for the practical examination.
- (3) A description of the procedures for the practical examination and the criteria for evaluating the performance on the practical examination.
- (4) Proctor qualifications and training.
- (5) Procedures and criteria for renewing the certification. The renewal of certification shall be done at least every five years and shall include knowledge and skills testing.
- (6) A history of the development and implementation of the program, as applicable.
- (7) A list of other jurisdictions where the certification is allowed and regulatory contacts in those jurisdictions.
- (8) A nonrefundable fee of \$100.

b. A third-party certification agency shall not certify an individual who was trained by the agency. An individual proctor shall not certify individuals who have taken a course at which the proctor was an instructor.

**641—26.5(135K) Registration.**

**26.5(1) Initial registration.**

a. A person who has successfully completed an approved training course may register with the department within the 12 months after the date of course completion. A person who is certified may register with the department. The applicant must submit:

- (1) A completed application form (form provided by the department).
- (2) Documentation of successful completion of an approved training course or documentation that the person is certified.
- (3) A nonrefundable fee in accordance with Table 1.

The registration shall expire as shown in Table 1.

Table 1  
Registration Fees

Registration Month	Even Year		Odd Year	
	Fee	Registration Expiration	Fee	Registration Expiration
January - February	\$55	October 31 + one year	\$25	October 31
March - April	\$50	October 31 + one year	\$20	October 31
May - June	\$45	October 31 + one year	\$15	October 31
July - August	\$40	October 31 + one year	\$70	October 31 + two years
September - October	\$35	October 31 + one year	\$65	October 31 + two years
November - December	\$30	October 31	\$60	October 31 + one year

b. A person who has completed a course of training in another state may be registered in Iowa. The person shall submit:

- (1) A completed Iowa application form (form provided by the department).
- (2) Documentation that:
  1. The person has successfully completed a training course that meets the hour and subject requirements for an approved training course (if the person completed the training course more than 12 months before the date of the application, the person shall document that the person has attended an average of at least 2.5 hours of continuing education training per year since completing the course), or
  2. The person is certified, or
  3. The person is registered as a backflow prevention assembly tester in a jurisdiction that has similar or greater requirements for training and continuing education than does the state of Iowa.
- (3) A nonrefundable fee in accordance with Table 1.

The registration shall expire as shown in Table 1.

**26.5(2) Renewal registration.**

a. Starting in 2005, except as provided in 26.5(1), each registered tester shall renew the registration between August 1 and October 1 of each odd-numbered year. The registered tester shall submit:

- (1) A completed registration renewal application form (form provided by the department).
- (2) Documentation that the registered tester has completed at least five hours of training in approved continuing education courses after October 31 of the previous odd-numbered year (after June 30, 2003, for 2005) or documentation that the registered tester is certified. Registered testers with an initial registration date of January 1 or later in an odd-numbered year are not required to obtain continuing education prior to renewal in that year.
- (3) A nonrefundable fee of \$60.
- (4) Registration renewal applications received after October 1 shall include a \$10 penalty per month or fraction thereof that the application is received after October 1 to a maximum of a \$50 penalty.

b. Before a renewal may be issued for a registration that has lapsed for more than 24 months, the person applying for renewal of the registration shall document that one of the following conditions is true:

- (1) The person has successfully completed an approved training course within the 12 months before applying for registration renewal, or
- (2) The person is certified, or
- (3) The person is registered as a backflow prevention assembly tester in a jurisdiction that has similar or greater requirements for training and continuing education than does the state of Iowa.

**641—26.6(135K) Standards of conduct.**

**26.6(1)** A registered tester shall comply with these rules and with the ordinances, rules and policies of the administrative authority in each jurisdiction in which the registered tester tests or repairs a backflow prevention assembly.

**26.6(2)** A registered tester shall maintain a record for each backflow prevention assembly tested for at least five years after the date on which the assembly was tested. Where required by ordinance, the registered tester shall submit to the administrative authority a completed test report on a form approved by the administrative authority. The record may be reviewed during normal business hours by an authorized representative of the department or by an authorized representative of the administrative authority of the jurisdiction in which the assembly is located. The assembly record shall include at least:

- a. The name, address and telephone number of the assembly owner.
- b. The location of the facility in which the assembly is located.
- c. The location of the assembly within the facility.
- d. The type, brand, model, size, and serial number of the assembly.
- e. The date and time of the test.
- f. Results of the test.
- g. Any assembly repairs or maintenance.

**641—26.7(135K) Penalty.** A person who violates a provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 135K.5.

**641—26.8(135K) Denial, suspension or revocation.** This rule pertains to denial, suspension or revocation of registration; denial or revocation of training course approval; and denial or revocation of approval as a third-party certification agency.

**26.8(1)** The department may deny an application for registration or renewal, or may suspend or revoke a registration, when it finds that the registrant has committed any of the following acts:

- a. Negligence or incompetence in the testing of a backflow prevention assembly.
- b. Fraud in obtaining registration or renewal.
- c. Falsification of the assembly records required by subrule 26.6(2).
- d. Failure to comply with these rules and with the ordinances of an administrative authority in whose jurisdiction the registered tester tests a backflow prevention assembly.

**26.8(2)** The department may deny or revoke the approval for a training course when it finds:

- a. The lead instructor is not qualified in accordance with paragraph 26.4(1) "e."
- b. The training course did not comply with paragraph 26.4(1) "d."
- c. The course testing laboratory did not comply with paragraph 26.4(1) "f."

**26.8(3)** The department may deny or revoke the approval for a third-party certification agency when it finds:

- a. The application for approval contains material misinformation regarding the conduct and standards of the certification program or its acceptance in other jurisdictions.
- b. Failure to adhere to the standards and procedures stated in the application for approval in the process of certifying or renewing the certification of testers.
- c. Violations of paragraph 26.4(3) "b."

**26.8(4) Complaints.** Complaints regarding a registered tester, an approved training course or a third-party certification agency shall be made in writing and sent to the department at Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection and Environmental Health, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The complainant shall provide:

- a. The name of the registered tester, the person or organization sponsoring an approved course, or the third-party certification agency, as applicable; and
- b. The specific details of the action(s) by the registered tester that did not comply with the rules; or
- c. The specific way(s) that an approved course did not comply with the rules, including the date(s) and location(s) of the alleged violation(s); or
- d. The specific way(s) that a third-party certification agency or its representative failed to comply with the rules, including date(s) and location(s) of the alleged failure to comply.

**26.8(5) Appeals.**

*a.* Notice of denial, suspension or revocation of registration; denial or revocation of course approval; or denial or revocation of third-party certification agency approval shall be sent to the affected individual or organization by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The affected individual or organization shall have a right to appeal the denial, suspension or revocation.

*b.* An appeal of a denial, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of receipt of the department's notice. The appeal shall be sent to Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection and Environmental Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If such a request is made within the 30-day time period, the notice of denial, suspension or revocation shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. After the hearing, or upon default of the applicant or alleged violator, the administrative law judge shall affirm, modify or set aside the denial, suspension or revocation. If no appeal is submitted within 30 days, the denial, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

*c.* Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be transmitted to the department of inspections and appeals within five working days of receipt pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the denial, suspension or revocation is based shall be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

*d.* The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with 481—Chapter 10.

*e.* When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in paragraph 26.8(5) "f."

*f.* Any appeal to the director of the department for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

*g.* Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- (1) All pleadings, motions and rules.
- (2) All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- (3) A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- (4) All questions and offers of proof, objections, and rulings thereon.
- (5) All proposed findings and exceptions.
- (6) The proposed findings and order of the administrative law judge.

*h.* The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested.

*i.* It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

*j.* Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service to the department at Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Protection and Environmental Health, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*k.* The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

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CHAPTERS 27 to 37  
Reserved





CHAPTER 38  
GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR RADIATION MACHINES  
AND RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

**641—38.1(136C) Purpose and scope.**

**38.1(1)** Except as otherwise specifically provided, these rules apply to all persons who receive, possess, use, transfer, own, or acquire any source of radiation; provided, however, that nothing in these rules shall apply to any person to the extent such person is subject to regulation by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Attention is directed to the fact that regulation by the state of source material, by-product material, and special nuclear material in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass is subject to the provisions of the agreement between the state and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and to 10 CFR Part 150 of the Commission's regulations.

**38.1(2)** All references to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of July 9, 2008.

**38.1(3)** The provisions of Chapter 38 are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other applicable portions of 641—Chapters 39 to 45.

**641—38.2(136C) Definitions.** As used in these rules, these terms have the definitions set forth below and are adopted by reference and included herein for 641—Chapters 39 to 45.

*“Absorbed dose”* means the energy imparted by ionizing radiation per unit mass of irradiated material. It is determined as the quotient of dE by dM, where dE is the mean energy imparted by ionizing radiation to matter of mass dM. The SI unit of absorbed dose is joule per kilogram and the special name of the unit of absorbed dose is the gray (Gy). The units of absorbed dose are the gray (Gy) and the rad.

*“Absorbed dose rate”* means absorbed dose per unit time, for machines with timers, or dose monitor unit per unit time for linear accelerators.

*“Accelerator”* means any machine capable of accelerating electrons, protons, deuterons, or other charged particles in a vacuum and of discharging the resultant particulate or other radiation into a medium at energies usually in excess of 1 MeV. For purposes of this definition, “particle accelerator” is an equivalent term.

*“Accelerator-produced material”* means any material made radioactive by a particle accelerator.

*“Act”* means 1984 Iowa Acts, chapter 1286, relating to regulation of radiation machines and radioactive materials. (Iowa Code chapter 136C)

*“Activity”* means the rate of disintegration or transformation or decay of radioactive material. The units of activity are the curie (Ci) and the becquerel (Bq).

*“Adult”* means an individual 18 years of age or older.

*“Agency”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Agreement state”* means any state with which the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission has entered into an effective agreement under Subsection 274b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 as amended (73 Stat. 689).

*“Airborne radioactive material”* means any radioactive material dispersed in the air in the form of dusts, fumes, particles, mists, vapors, or gases.

*“Airborne radioactivity area”* means a room, enclosure, or area in which airborne radioactive material (composed wholly or partly of licensed material) exists in concentrations (1) in excess of the derived air concentrations (DACs) specified in Appendix A of 641—Chapter 40; or (2) to such a degree that an individual present in the area without respiratory protective equipment could exceed, during the hours an individual is present in a week, an intake of 0.6 percent of the annual limit on intake (ALI) or 12 DAC-hours.

*“Air kerma (K)”* means the kinetic energy released in air by ionizing radiation. Kerma is determined as the quotient of dE by dM, where dE is the sum of the initial kinetic energies of all the charged ionizing particles liberated by uncharged ionizing particles in air of mass dM. The SI unit of air kerma is joule per kilogram and the special name for the unit of kerma is the gray (Gy).

*“Air-purifying respirator”* means a respirator with an air-purifying filter, cartridge, or canister that removes specific air contaminants by passing ambient air through the air-purifying element.

*“Annually”* means at least once every 365 days.

*“As low as is reasonably achievable”* (ALARA) means making every reasonable effort to maintain exposures to radiation as far below the dose limits in these rules as is practical, consistent with the purpose for which the licensed or registered activity is undertaken, taking into account the state of technology, the economics of improvements in relation to state of technology, the economics of improvements in relation to benefits to the public health and safety, and other societal and socioeconomic considerations, and in relation to utilization of nuclear energy and licensed or registered sources of radiation in the public interest.

*“Assembler”* means any person engaged in the business of assembling, replacing, or installing one or more components into an X-ray system or subsystem. The term includes the owner of an X-ray system or the employee or agent who assembles components into an X-ray system that is subsequently used to provide professional or commercial services.

*“Assigned protection factor (APF)”* means the expected workplace level of respiratory protection that would be provided by a properly functioning respirator or a class of respirators to properly fitted and trained users. Operationally, the inhaled concentration can be estimated by dividing the ambient airborne concentration by the APF.

*“Atmosphere-supplying respirator”* means a respirator that supplies the respirator user with breathing air from a source independent of the ambient atmosphere, and includes supplied-air respirators (SARs) and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) units.

*“Authorized medical physicist”* means an individual who meets the requirements of 641—subrule 41.2(74) and 641—subrule 41.2(77); or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.961(a) or (b) and 10 CFR 35.59; or is identified as an authorized medical physicist or teletherapy physicist on a specific medical license issued by this agency, the NRC, or an agreement state, a medical use permit issued by the NRC master material licensee, a permit issued by an NRC or agreement state broad scope medical use licensee, a permit issued by an NRC or agreement state broad scope medical use licensee, or a permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope medical use permittee.

*“Background radiation”* means radiation from cosmic sources; naturally occurring radioactive materials, including radon (except as a decay product of source or special nuclear material); and global fallout as it exists in the environment from the testing of nuclear explosive devices or from past nuclear accidents such as Chernobyl that contribute to background radiation and are not under the control of the licensee. “Background radiation” does not include sources of radiation from radioactive materials regulated by the agency.

*“Barrier”* (see “Protective barrier”).

*“Beam axis”* means a line from the source through the centers of the X-ray fields.

*“Beam-limiting device”* means a field defining collimator, integral to the system, which provides a means to restrict the dimensions of the X-ray field or useful beam.

*“Beam monitoring system”* means a system designed and installed in the radiation head to detect and measure the radiation present in the useful beam.

*“Becquerel”* (Bq) means the SI unit of activity. One becquerel is equal to 1 disintegration or transformation per second (dps or tps).

*“Bioassay”* means the determination of kinds, quantities or concentrations and, in some cases, the locations of radioactive material in the human body, whether by direct measurement, in vivo counting, or by analysis and evaluation of materials excreted or removed from the human body. For purposes of these rules, “radiobioassay” is an equivalent term.

*“Bone densitometry unit”* means a medical device which uses electronically produced ionizing radiation to determine the density of bone structures of human patients.

*“Brachytherapy”* means a method of radiation therapy in which sealed sources are utilized to deliver a radiation dose at a distance of up to a few centimeters, by surface, intracavitary, intraluminal, or interstitial application.

“*Brachytherapy source*” means a radioactive source or a manufacturer-assembled source train or a combination of these sources that is designed to deliver a therapeutic dose within a distance of a few centimeters.

“*By-product material*” means (1) any radioactive material, except special nuclear material, yielded in or made radioactive by exposure to the radiation incident to the process of producing or utilizing special nuclear material, and (2) the tailings or wastes produced by the extraction or concentration of uranium or thorium from any ore processed primarily for its source material content, including discrete surface wastes resulting from uranium or thorium solution extraction processes. Underground ore bodies depleted by these solution extraction operations do not constitute “by-product material” within this definition.

“*Cabinet radiography*” means industrial radiography conducted in an enclosure or cabinet shielded so that radiation levels at every location on the exterior meet the limitations specified in 641—40.26(136C).

“*Calendar quarter*” means not less than 12 consecutive weeks nor more than 14 consecutive weeks. The first calendar quarter of each year shall begin in January and subsequent calendar quarters shall be so arranged such that no day is included in more than one calendar quarter and no day in any one year is omitted from inclusion within a calendar quarter. No licensee or registrant shall change the method of determining calendar quarters for purposes of these rules except at the beginning of a year.

“*Calibration*” means the determination of (1) the response or reading of an instrument relative to a series of known radiation values over the range of the instrument, or (2) the strength of a source of radiation relative to a standard.

“*Carrier*” means a person engaged in the transportation of passengers or property by land or water as a common, contract, or private carrier, or by civil aircraft.

“*CFR*” means Code of Federal Regulations.

“*Changeable filters*” means any filter, exclusive of inherent filtration, which can be removed from the useful beam through any electronic, mechanical, or physical process.

“*Collective dose*” means the sum of the individual doses received in a given period of time by a specified population from exposure to a specified source of radiation.

“*Committed dose equivalent*” ( $H_{T,50}$ ) means the dose equivalent to organs or tissues of reference (T) that will be received from an intake of radioactive material by an individual during the 50-year period following the intake.

“*Committed effective dose equivalent*” ( $H_{E,50}$ ) is the sum of the products of the weighting factors applicable to each of the body organs or tissues that are irradiated and the committed dose equivalent to each of these organs or tissues ( $H_{E,50} = \sum w_T H_{T,50}$ ).

“*Consignment*” means each shipment of a package or groups of packages or load of radioactive material offered by a shipper for transport.

“*Constraint*” or “*dose constraint*” means a value above which specified licensee actions are required.

“*Controlled area*” means an area, outside of a restricted area but inside the site boundary, access to which can be limited by the licensee or registrant for any reason.

“*Critical group*” means the group of individuals reasonably expected to receive the greatest exposure to residual radioactivity for any applicable set of circumstances.

“*Curie*” means a unit of quantity of radioactivity. One curie (Ci) is that quantity of radioactive material which decays at the rate of  $3.7E+10$  transformations per second (tps).

“*Decay-in-storage*” means the holding of radioactive material having half-lives of less than 65 days, except Cobalt-57, until it decays to background levels. Before disposal in ordinary trash, the material must have been held for a minimum of ten half-lives and its radioactivity is indistinguishable from background as indicated by a survey meter set on its most sensitive scale with no interposing shielding.

“*Decommission*” means to remove a facility or site safely from service and reduce residual radioactivity to a level that permits:

1. Release of the property for unrestricted use and termination of the license; or
2. Release of the property under restricted conditions and termination of the license.

“*Deep dose equivalent*” ( $H_d$ ), which applies to external whole body exposure, means the dose equivalent at a tissue depth of 1 centimeter ( $1000 \text{ mg/cm}^2$ ).

“*Demand respirator*” means an atmosphere-supplying respirator that admits breathing air to the facepiece only when a negative pressure is created inside the facepiece by inhalation.

“*Depleted uranium*” means the source material uranium in which the isotope uranium-235 is less than 0.711 weight percent of the total uranium present. Depleted uranium does not include special nuclear material.

“*Detector*” (see “Radiation detector”).

“*Diagnostic clinical procedures manual*” means a collection of written procedures that describes each method (and other instructions and precautions) by which the licensee performs diagnostic clinical procedures; where each diagnostic clinical procedure has been approved by the authorized user and includes the radiopharmaceutical, dosage, and route of administration.

“*Diagnostic imaging system*” means an assemblage of components for the generation, emission, reception, transformation, storage and visual display of the resultant image.

“*Diagnostic X-ray imaging system*” means an assemblage of components for the generation, emission and reception of X-rays and the transformation, storage and visual display of the resultant X-ray image which are designed and used for irradiation of any part of the human or animal body for the purpose of diagnosis or visualization.

“*Direct supervision*” means guidance and instruction by a qualified individual who is physically present and watching the performance of the radiological operation or procedure and in such proximity that contact can be maintained and immediate assistance can be given as required.

“*Disposable respirator*” means a respirator for which maintenance is not intended and that is designed to be discarded after excessive breathing resistance, sorbent exhaustion, physical damage, or end-of-service-life renders it unsuitable for use. Examples of this type of respirator are a disposable half-mask respirator or a disposable escape-only self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

“*Distinguishable from background*” means that the detectable concentration of a radionuclide is statistically different from the background concentration of that radionuclide in the vicinity of the site or, in the case of structures, in similar materials using adequate measurement technology, survey, and statistical techniques.

“*Dose*” is a generic term that means absorbed dose, dose equivalent, effective dose equivalent, committed dose equivalent, committed effective dose equivalent, total organ dose equivalent, or total effective dose equivalent. For purposes of these rules, “radiation dose” is an equivalent term.

“*Dose equivalent ( $H_T$ )*” means the product of the absorbed dose in tissue, quality factor, and all other necessary modifying factors at the location of interest. The units of dose equivalent are the sievert (Sv) and rem.

“*Dose limits*” means the permissible upper bounds of radiation doses established in accordance with these rules. For purposes of these rules, “limits” is an equivalent term.

“*Effective dose equivalent ( $H_E$ )*” means the sum of the products of the dose equivalent to each organ or tissue ( $H_T$ ) and the weighting factor ( $w_T$ ) applicable to each of the body organs or tissues that are irradiated ( $H_E = \sum w_T H_T$ ).

“*Embryo/fetus*” means the developing human organism from conception until the time of birth.

“*Entrance or access point*” means any opening through which an individual or extremity of an individual could gain access to radiation areas or to licensed or registered radioactive materials. This includes entry or exit portals of sufficient size to permit human entry, irrespective of their intended use.

“*Exposure*” means being exposed to ionizing radiation or to radioactive material.

“Exposure” means the quotient of  $dQ$  by  $dm$  where “ $dQ$ ” is the absolute value of the total charge of the ions of one sign produced in air when all the electrons (negatrons and positrons) liberated by photons in a volume element of air having mass “ $dm$ ” are completely stopped in air. (The special unit of exposure is the roentgen (R) (see 38.2(136C) for SI equivalent coulomb per kilogram). When not underlined as above or when indicated as ‘exposure’ or (X), the term “exposure” has a more general meaning in these rules.

*“Exposure rate”* means the exposure per unit of time, such as roentgen per minute and milliroentgen per hour.

*“External dose”* means that portion of the dose equivalent received from any source of radiation outside the body.

*“Extremity”* means hand, elbow, arm below the elbow, foot, knee, and leg below the knee. See 641—subrule 42.1(2) for definitions of “lower extremities” and “upper extremities” for purposes of certification standards.

*“Facility”* means the location, building, vehicle, or complex under one administrative control, at which radioactive material is stored or used or at which one or more radiation machines are installed, located or used.

*“Filtering facepiece (dust mask)”* means a negative pressure particulate respirator with a filter as an integral part of the facepiece or with the entire facepiece composed of the filtering medium, which is not equipped with elastomeric sealing surfaces and adjustable straps.

*“Fit factor”* means a quantitative estimate of the fit of a particular respirator to a specific individual, and typically estimates the ratio of the concentration of a substance in ambient air to its concentration inside the respirator when worn.

*“Fit test”* means the use of a protocol to qualitatively or quantitatively evaluate the fit of a respirator on an individual.

*“Former U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) or U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensed facilities”* means nuclear reactors, nuclear fuel reprocessing plants, uranium enrichment plants, or critical mass experimental facilities where AEC or NRC licenses have been terminated.

*“Generally applicable environmental radiation standards”* means standards issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, that impose limits on radiation exposures or levels, or concentrations or quantities of radioactive material, in the general environment outside the boundaries of locations under the control of persons possessing or using radioactive material.

*“Gray (Gy)”* means the SI unit of absorbed dose. One gray is equal to an absorbed dose of 1 joule per kilogram (1 Gy=100 rad).

*“Half-value layer (HVL)”* means the thickness of a specified material which attenuates X-radiation or gamma radiation to an extent such that the air kerma rate, exposure rate or absorbed dose rate is reduced to one-half of the value measured without the material at the same point. The contribution of all scattered radiation, other than any which might be present initially in the beam concerned, is deemed to be excluded.

*“Hazardous waste”* means those wastes designated as hazardous by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations in 40 CFR Part 261.

*“Healing arts”* means the occupational fields of diagnosing or treating disease, providing health care and improving health by the practice of medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, dentistry, nursing, veterinary medicine, and supporting professions, such as physician assistants, nurse practitioners, radiologic technologists, and dental hygienists.

*“Helmet”* means a rigid respiratory inlet covering that also provides head protection against impact and penetration.

*“High dose-rate remote afterloader”* means a brachytherapy device that remotely delivers a dose rate in excess of 1200 rads (12 gray) per hour at the point or surface where the dose is prescribed.

*“High-level radioactive waste”* or *“HLW”* means (1) irradiated reactor fuel; (2) liquid wastes resulting from the operation of the first cycle solvent extraction system, or equivalent, and the concentrated wastes from subsequent extraction cycles, or equivalent, in a facility for reprocessing irradiated reactor fuel; and (3) solids into which such liquid wastes have been converted.

*“High radiation area”* means an area, accessible to individuals, in which radiation levels from radiation sources external to the body could result in an individual’s receiving a dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour at 30 centimeters from any source of radiation or 30 centimeters from any surface that the radiation penetrates.

*“Highway route controlled quantity”* means a quantity within a single package which exceeds:

1. 3,000 times the  $A_1$  value of the radionuclides as specified in 49 CFR 173.435 for special form Class 7 (radioactive) material;
2. 3,000 times the  $A_2$  value of the radionuclides as specified in 49 CFR 173.435 for normal form Class 7 (radioactive) material; or
3. 1,000 TBq (27,000 Ci), whichever is least.

“Hood” means a respiratory inlet covering that completely covers the head and neck and may also cover portions of the shoulders and torso.

“Human use” means the internal or external administration of radiation or radioactive material to human beings.

“Individual” means any human being.

“Individual monitoring” means the assessment of:

1. Dose equivalent by the use of devices designed to be worn by an individual or by the use of survey data; or
2. Committed effective dose equivalent by bioassay or by determination of the time-weighted air concentrations to which an individual has been exposed, that is, DAC-hours. See the definition of DAC-hours in 641—Chapter 40.

“Individual monitoring devices” means devices designed to be worn by a single individual for the assessment of dose equivalent. For purposes of these rules, “personnel dosimeter” and “dosimeter” are equivalent terms. Examples of individual monitoring devices are film badges, thermoluminescent dosimeters (TLDs), pocket ionization chambers, optically stimulated luminescent (OSL) devices, and personal air sampling devices.

“Industrial radiography” means an examination of the structure of materials by nondestructive methods, utilizing ionizing radiation to make radiographic images.

“Inspection” means an official examination or observation including, but not limited to, tests, surveys, and monitoring to determine compliance with rules, regulations, orders, requirements, and conditions of the agency.

“Instrument traceability” means, for ionizing radiation measurements, the ability to show that an instrument has been calibrated at specified time intervals using a national standard or a transfer standard. If a transfer standard is used, the calibration must be from a laboratory accredited by a program which required continuing participation in measurement quality assurance with the National Institute of Standards and Technology or other equivalent national or international program.

“Interlock” means a device preventing the start or continued operation of equipment unless certain predetermined conditions prevail.

“Internal dose” means that portion of the dose equivalent received from radioactive material taken into the body.

“Ionizing radiation.” See “Radiation.”

“Irradiation” means the exposure of a living being or matter to ionizing radiation.

“Kilovolt (kV)(kilo electron volt (keV))” means the energy equal to that acquired by a particle with one electron charge in passing through a potential difference of 1000 volts in a vacuum.

“Lead equivalent” means the thickness of lead affording the same attenuation, under specified conditions, as the material in question.

“Leakage radiation” means radiation emanating from the diagnostic or therapeutic source assembly except for:

1. The useful beam, and
2. Radiation produced when the exposure switch or timer is not activated.

“Lens dose equivalent (LDE)” applies to the external exposure of the lens of the eye and is taken as the dose equivalent at a tissue depth of 0.3 centimeter (300 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>).

“License” means a license issued by the agency in accordance with the rules adopted by the agency.

“Licensed (or registered) material” means radioactive material received, possessed, used, transferred or disposed of under a general or specific license (or registration) issued by the agency.

“Licensed practitioner” means a person licensed or otherwise authorized by law to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, or dentistry in Iowa, or certified as a physician assistant as

defined in Iowa Code section 148C.1, subsection 6, and is authorized to prescribe X-ray tests for the purpose of diagnosis or treatment.

*“Licensee”* means any person who is licensed by the agency in accordance with these rules and the Act.

*“Licensing state”* means any state with regulations equivalent to the suggested state regulations for control of radiation relating to, and an effective program for, the regulatory control of NARM and which has been granted final designation by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc.

*“Light field”* means that area of the intersection of the light beam from the beam-limiting device and one of the set of planes parallel to and including the plane of the image receptor, whose perimeter is the locus of points at which the illumination is one-fourth of the maximum in the intersection.

*“Limits.”* See “Dose limits.”

*“Loose-fitting facepiece”* means a respiratory inlet covering that is designed to form a partial seal with the face.

*“Lost or missing licensed (or registered) source of radiation”* means licensed (or registered) source of radiation whose location is unknown. This definition includes licensed (or registered) material that has been shipped but has not reached its planned destination and whose location cannot be readily traced in the transportation system.

*“Lot tolerance percent defective”* means, expressed in percent defective, the poorest quality in an individual inspection lot that should be accepted.

*“Low dose-rate remote afterloader”* means a brachytherapy device that remotely delivers a dose rate of less than or equal to 200 rads (2 gray) per hour at the point or surface where the dose is prescribed.

*“mA”* means milliamperere.

*“Major processor”* means a user processing, handling, or manufacturing radioactive material exceeding Type A quantities as unsealed sources or material, or exceeding four times Type B quantities as sealed sources, but does not include nuclear medicine programs, universities, industrial radiographers, or small industrial programs. Type A and B quantities are defined in this rule.

*“Mammography”* means the radiography of the breast except as defined in 641—subrule 41.6(1).

*“Mammography unit”* means an assemblage of components for the production of X-rays for use during mammography, including, at a minimum: an X-ray generator, an X-ray control, a tube housing assembly, a beam-limiting device, and the supporting structures for these components.

*“Manual brachytherapy”* means a type of brachytherapy in which the brachytherapy sources (e.g., seeds, ribbons) are manually placed topically on or inserted either into the body cavities that are in close proximity to a treatment site or directly into the tissue volume.

*“Medical use”* means the intentional internal or external administration of radioactive material or the radiation therefrom to patients or human research subjects under the supervision of an authorized user.

*“Medium dose-rate remote afterloader”* means a brachytherapy device that remotely delivers a dose rate of greater than 200 rads (2 gray), but less than 1200 rads (12 gray) per hour at the point or surface where the dose is prescribed.

*“Member of the public”* means any individual except when that individual is receiving an occupational dose.

*“Minor”* means an individual less than 18 years of age.

*“Misadministration”* means the administration of:

Radiation doses received from linear accelerator therapy, deep X-ray machine therapy or superficial therapy; involving;

Administration of external beam radiation that results, or will result, in unintended permanent functional damage to an organ or a physiological system as determined by a physician.

A dose that differs from the prescribed dose by more than 5 rem (0.05 sievert) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 sievert) shallow dose equivalent to the skin; and either:

- (1) The total dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose by 20 percent or more; or

(2) The fractionated dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose for a single fraction by 50 percent or more.

A dose that exceeds 5 rem (0.05 sievert) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 sievert) shallow dose equivalent to the skin from either of the following:

- (1) An administration of the wrong treatment modality.
- (2) An administration to the wrong patient or human research subject.

A dose to the skin or an organ or tissue other than the treatment site that exceeds by 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue and 50 percent or more of the dose expected from the administration defined in the written directive.

*“Monitoring (radiation monitoring, radiation protection monitoring)”* means the measurement of radiation levels, radioactive material concentrations, surface area concentrations or quantities of radioactive material and the use of the results of these measurements to evaluate potential exposures and doses.

*“NARM”* means any naturally occurring or accelerator-produced radioactive material. It does not include by-product, source, or special nuclear material.

*“Natural radioactivity”* means radioactivity of naturally occurring nuclides. For the purpose of meeting the definition of a licensing state by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc., (CRCPD), NARM refers only to discrete sources of NARM. Diffuse sources of NARM are excluded from consideration by the CRCPD for licensing state designation purposes.

*“Negative pressure respirator (tight fitting)”* means a respirator in which the air pressure inside the facepiece is negative during inhalation with respect to the ambient air pressure outside the respirator.

*“Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)”* means the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or its duly authorized representatives.

*“Occupational dose”* means the dose received by an individual in the course of employment in which the individual’s assigned duties involve exposure to radiation or to radioactive material from licensed or unlicensed and registered or unregistered sources of radiation, whether in the possession of the licensee, registrant, or other person. Occupational dose does not include dose received from background radiation, from any medical administration the individual has received, from exposure to individuals administered sources of radiation or radioactive material and released in accordance with 641—subrule 41.2(27), from voluntary participation in medical research programs, or as a member of the public.

*“Package”* means the packaging together with its radioactive contents as presented for transport.

*“Particle accelerator.”* See “Accelerator.”

*“Patient”* means an individual or animal subjected to healing arts examination, diagnosis or treatment.

*“Peak tube potential”* means the maximum value of the potential difference across the X-ray tube during an exposure.

*“Person”* means any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, agency, political subdivision of this state, any other state or political subdivision or agency thereof, and any legal successor, representative, agent, or agency of the foregoing, but shall not include federal government agencies.

*“Personnel monitoring equipment.”* See “Individual monitoring devices.”

*“Phantom”* means a volume of material behaving in a manner similar to tissue with respect to the attenuation and scattering of radiation. This requires that both the atomic number ( $Z$ ) and the density of the material be similar to that of tissue.

*“Pharmacist”* means an individual licensed by this state to compound and dispense drugs, prescriptions, and poisons.

*“Physician”* means a person who is currently licensed in Iowa to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or osteopathy.

*“Positive pressure respirator”* means a respirator in which the pressure inside the respiratory inlet covering exceeds the ambient air pressure outside the respirator.

*“Powered air-purifying respirator (PAPR)”* means an air-purifying respirator that uses a blower to force the ambient air through air-purifying elements to the inlet covering.



*“Preceptor”* means an individual who provides, directs, or verifies training and experience required for an individual to become an authorized user, an authorized medical physicist, an authorized nuclear pharmacist, or a radiation safety officer.

*“Prescribed dosage”* means the specified activity or range of activity of unsealed radioactive material as documented:

1. In a written directive; or
2. In accordance with the directions of the authorized user for procedures performed in 641—subrules 41.2(31) and 41.2(33).

*“Prescribed dose”* means:

1. For gamma stereotactic radiosurgery, the total dose as documented in the written directive;
2. For teletherapy, particle accelerators and X-ray therapy systems, the total dose and dose per fraction as documented in the written directive;
3. For manual brachytherapy, either the total source strength and exposure time or the total dose, as documented in the written directive; or
4. For remote brachytherapy afterloaders, the total dose and dose per fraction as documented in the written directive.

*“Pressure demand respirator”* means a positive pressure atmosphere-supplying respirator that admits breathing air to the facepiece when the positive pressure is reduced inside the facepiece by inhalation.

*“Primary dose monitoring system”* means a system which will monitor the useful beam during irradiation and which will terminate irradiation when a preselected number of dose monitor units have been delivered.

*“Primary protective barrier”* (see “Protective barrier”).

*“Principal activities,”* as used in this part, means activities authorized by the license which are essential to achieving the purpose(s) for which the license was issued or amended. Storage during which no licensed material is accessed for use or disposal and activities incidental to decontamination or decommissioning are not principal activities.

*“Protective barrier”* means a barrier used to reduce radiation exposure. The types of protective barriers are as follows:

1. *“Primary protective barrier”* means the material, excluding filters, placed in the useful beam.
2. *“Secondary protective barrier”* means a barrier sufficient to attenuate the stray radiation to the required degree.

*“Public dose”* means the dose received by a member of the public from exposure to radiation or to radioactive material released by a licensee, registrant, or other person, or to any other source of radiation under the control of a licensee, registrant, or other person. It does not include occupational dose or doses received from background radiation, from any medical administration the individual has received, from exposure to individuals administered sources of radiation or radioactive material and released under 641—subrule 41.2(27) or from voluntary participation in medical research programs.

*“Pyrophoric material”* means any liquid that ignites spontaneously in dry or moist air at or below 130° F (54.4° C) or solid, other than one classed as an explosive, which under normal conditions is liable to cause fires through friction, retained heat from manufacturing or processing, or which can be ignited readily and, when ignited, burns so vigorously and persistently as to create a serious transportation, handling, or disposal hazard. Included are spontaneously combustible and water-reactive materials.

*“Qualified expert”* means an individual having the knowledge and training to measure ionizing radiation, to evaluate safety techniques, and to advise regarding radiation protection needs. For example, individuals certified in the appropriate field by the American Board of Radiology, the American Board of Medical Physics, or the American Board of Health Physics, or those having equivalent qualifications. With reference to the calibration of radiation therapy equipment, an individual having, in addition to the above qualifications, training and experience in the clinical applications of radiation physics to radiation therapy, for example, individuals certified in Therapeutic Radiological Physics or X-Ray and Radium Physics by the American Board of Radiology, or those having equivalent qualifications.

“*Qualitative fit test (QLFT)*” means a pass-fail fit test to assess the adequacy of respirator fit that relies on the individual’s response to the test agent.

“*Quality factor*” (Q) means the modifying factor, listed in Tables I and II of 38.4(4), that is used to derive dose equivalent from absorbed dose.

“*Quantitative fit test (QNFT)*” means an assessment of the adequacy of respirator fit by numerically measuring the amount of leakage into the respirator.

“*Rad*” means the special unit of absorbed dose. One rad is equal to an absorbed dose of 100 erg per gram or 0.01 joule per kilogram (0.01 gray).

“*Radiation*” means alpha particles, beta particles, gamma rays, X-rays, neutrons, high-speed electrons, high-speed protons, and other particles capable of producing ions. For purposes of these rules, ionizing radiation is an equivalent term. Radiation, as used in these rules, does not include nonionizing radiation, such as radiowaves or microwaves, visible, infrared, or ultraviolet light.

“*Radiation area*” means any area, accessible to individuals, in which radiation levels could result in an individual receiving a dose equivalent in excess of 0.05 mSv (0.005 rem) in 1 hour at 30 centimeters from the source of radiation or from any surface that the radiation penetrates.

“*Radiation detector*” means a device which, in the presence of radiation, by either direct or indirect means, provides a signal or other indication suitable for use in measuring one or more quantities of incident radiation.

“*Radiation dose.*” See “Dose.”

“*Radiation machine*” means any device capable of producing radiation except those devices with radioactive material as the only source of radiation.

“*Radiation safety officer*” means an individual who has the knowledge and responsibility to apply appropriate radiation protection regulations and has been assigned such responsibility by the licensee or registrant.

“*Radioactive material*” means any solid, liquid, or gas which emits radiation spontaneously.

“*Radioactivity*” means the transformation of unstable atomic nuclei by the emission of radiation.

“*Radiobioassay.*” See “Bioassay.”

“*Radiographic imaging system*” means any system whereby a permanent or semipermanent image is recorded on an image receptor by the action of ionizing radiation.

“*Radionuclide*” means a radioactive element or a radioactive isotope.

“*Registrant*” means any person who is registered with the agency or is legally obligated to register with the agency pursuant to these rules and the Act.

“*Registration*” means registration with the agency in accordance with the rules adopted by the agency.

“*Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation*” means the regulations in 49 CFR Parts 100-189.

“*Rem*” means the special unit of any of the quantities expressed as dose equivalent. The dose equivalent in rem is equal to the absorbed dose in rad multiplied by the quality factor (1 rem = 0.01 sievert).

“*Reportable medical event*” means the medical event, except for an event that results from patient intervention, in which the administration of by-product material or radiation from by-product material results in:

a. A dose that differs from the prescribed dose or dose that would have resulted from the prescribed dosage by more than 5 rem (0.05 Sv) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 Sv) shallow dose equivalent to the skin; and

1. The total dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose by 20 percent or more;
2. The total dosage delivered differs from the prescribed dosage by 20 percent or more or falls outside the prescribed dosage range; or
3. The fractionated dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose, for a single fraction, by 50 percent or more.

b. A dose that exceeds 5 rem (0.05 Sv) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 Sv) shallow dose equivalent to the skin from any of the following:

1. An administration of the wrong radioactive drug containing by-product material;
2. An administration of a radioactive drug containing by-product material by the wrong route of administration;
3. An administration of a dose or dosage to the wrong individual or human research subject;
4. An administration of a dose or dosage delivered by the wrong mode of treatment; or
5. A leaking sealed source.

c. A dose to the skin or an organ or tissue other than the treatment site that exceeds by 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to an organ or tissue and 50 percent or more of the dose expected from the administration defined in the written directive (excluding, for permanent implants, seeds that were implanted in the correct site but migrated outside the treatment site).

d. An event resulting from intervention of a patient or human research subject in which administration of by-product material or radiation from by-product material results or will result in unintended permanent functional damage to an organ or a physiological system, as determined by a physician.

*“Research and development”* means (1) theoretical analysis, exploration, or experimentation; or (2) the extension of investigative findings and theories of a scientific or technical nature into practical application for experimental and demonstration purposes, including the experimental production and testing of models, devices, equipment, materials, and processes. Research and development does not include the internal or external administration of radiation or radioactive material to human beings.

*“Residual radioactivity”* means radioactivity in structures, materials, soils, groundwater, and other media at a site resulting from activities under the licensee’s control. This includes radioactivity from all licensed and unlicensed sources used by the licensee, but excludes background radiation. It also includes radioactive materials remaining at the site as a result of routine or accidental releases of radioactive material at the site and previous burials at the site, even if those burials were made in accordance with the provisions of 641—Chapter 40 or any previous state or federal licenses, rules or regulations.

*“Restricted area”* means an area, access to which is limited by the licensee or registrant for the purpose of protecting individuals against undue risks from exposure to sources of radiation. A restricted area shall not include any areas used for residential quarters, although a separate room or rooms in a residential building may be set apart as a restricted area.

*“Roentgen”* means the special unit of exposure. One roentgen (R) equals  $2.58 \times 10^{-4}$  coulombs/kilogram of air (see *“Exposure”* and 38.4(4)).

*“Scattered radiation”* means ionizing radiation emitted by interaction of ionizing radiation with matter, the interaction being accompanied by a change in direction of the radiation. Scattered primary radiation means that scattered radiation which has been deviated in direction only by materials irradiated by the useful beam.

*“Sealed source”* means radioactive material that is encased in a capsule designed to prevent leakage or escape of the radioactive material.

*“Secondary dose monitoring system”* means a system which will terminate irradiation in the event of failure of the primary dose monitoring system.

*“Secondary protective barrier”* (see *“Protective barrier”*).

*“Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)”* means an atmosphere-supplying respirator for which the breathing air source is designed to be carried by the user.

*“Shallow dose equivalent”* ( $H_s$ ), which applies to the external exposure of the skin of the whole body or the skin of an extremity, means the dose equivalent at a tissue depth of 0.007 centimeter ( $7 \text{ mg/cm}^2$ ).

*“Shutter”* means a device attached to the tube housing assembly which can intercept the entire cross-sectional area of the useful beam and which has a lead equivalency not less than that of the tube housing assembly.

*“SI”* means the abbreviation for the International System of Units.

*“Sievert”* means the SI unit of any of the quantities expressed as dose equivalent. The dose equivalent in sievert is equal to the absorbed dose in gray multiplied by the quality factor ( $1 \text{ Sv} = 100 \text{ rem}$ ).

“*Simulator (radiation therapy simulation system)*” means any X-ray system intended for localizing the volume to be exposed during radiation therapy and reproducing the position and size of the therapeutic irradiation field.

“*Site area emergency*” means events may occur, are in progress, or have occurred that could lead to a significant release of radioactive material and that could require a response by off-site response organizations to protect persons off site.

“*Site boundary*” means that line beyond which the land or property is not owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the licensee or registrant.

“*Source*” means the focal spot of the X-ray tube.

“*Source material*” means:

1. Uranium or thorium, or any combination thereof, in any physical or chemical form; or
2. Ores that contain by weight one-twentieth of 1 percent (0.05 percent) or more of uranium, thorium or any combination of uranium and thorium. Source material does not include special nuclear material.

“*Source material milling*” means any activity that results in the production of by-product material as defined by definition (2) of by-product material.

“*Source of radiation*” means any radioactive material or any device or equipment emitting, or capable of producing, radiation.

“*Source traceability*” means the ability to show that a radioactive source has been calibrated either by the national standards laboratory of the National Institute of Standards and Technology or by a laboratory which participates in continuing measurement quality assurance programs with the National Institute of Standards and Technology or other equivalent national or international program.

“*Special form radioactive material*” means radioactive material which satisfies the following conditions:

1. It is either a single solid piece or is contained in a sealed capsule that can be opened only by destroying the capsule;
2. The piece or capsule has at least one dimension not less than 5 millimeters (0.2 inch); and
3. It satisfies the test requirements specified by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. A special form encapsulation designed in accordance with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission requirements in effect on June 30, 1983, and constructed prior to July 1, 1985, may continue to be used. A special form encapsulation either designed or constructed after June 30, 1985, must meet requirements of this definition applicable at the time of its design or construction.

“*Special nuclear material*” means:

1. Plutonium, uranium-233, uranium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, and any other material that the agency declares by order to be special nuclear material after the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of Section 51 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, determines to be special nuclear material, but does not include source material; or
2. Any material artificially enriched by any of the foregoing but does not include source material.

“*Special nuclear material in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass*” means uranium enriched in the isotope U-235 in quantities not exceeding 350 grams of contained U-235; uranium-233 in quantities not exceeding 200 grams; plutonium in quantities not exceeding 200 grams; or any combination of them in accordance with the following formula: For each kind of special nuclear material, determine the ratio between the quantity of that special nuclear material and the quantity specified above for the same kind of special nuclear material. The sum of such ratios for all of the kinds of special nuclear material in combination shall not exceed 1. For example, the following quantities in combination would not exceed the limitation and are within the formula:

$$\frac{175 \text{ (grams contained U-235)}}{350} + \frac{50 \text{ (grams U-233)}}{200} + \frac{50 \text{ (grams Pu)}}{200} = 1$$

“*SSD*” means the distance between the source and the skin entrance plane of the patient (see “Target-to-skin distance (TSD)”).

“*Stray radiation*” means the sum of leakage and scattered radiation.

“*Supplied-air respirator (SAR)*” or “*airline respirator*” means an atmosphere-supplying respirator for which the source of breathing air is not designed to be carried by the user.

“*Survey*” means an evaluation of the radiological conditions and potential hazards incident to the production, use, transfer, release, disposal, or presence of sources of radiation. When appropriate, such evaluation includes a physical survey of the location of radioactive material and measurements or calculations of levels of radiation or concentrations or quantities of radioactive material present.

“*Target-to-skin distance (TSD)*” means the distance measured along the beam axis from the center of the front surface of the X-ray target or electron virtual source scattering foil to the surface of the irradiated object or patient.

“*Teletherapy*” means therapeutic irradiation in which the source of radiation is at a distance from the body.

“*Termination of irradiation*” means the stopping of irradiation in a fashion which will not permit continuance of irradiation without the resetting of operating conditions at the control panel.

“*Test*” means the process of verifying compliance with an applicable regulation.

“*These rules*” means 641—Chapters 38 to 45.

“*Tight-fitting facepiece*” means a respirator inlet covering that forms a complete seal with the face.

“*Total effective dose equivalent*” (TEDE) means the sum of the deep dose equivalent for external exposures and the committed effective dose equivalent for internal exposures.

“*Total organ dose equivalent*” (TODE) means the sum of the deep dose equivalent and the committed dose equivalent to the organ receiving the highest dose as described in 641—40.86(1) “f.”

“*Traceable to a national standard.*” See “Instrument traceability” or “Source traceability.”

“*Treatment site*” means the anatomical description of the tissue intended to receive a radiation dose, as described in the written directive.

“*Tube*” means an X-ray tube unless otherwise specified. See “X-ray tube.”

“*Tube housing assembly*” means the tube housing with tube installed. It includes high-voltage or filament transformers, or both, and other appropriate elements when such are contained within the tube housing.

“*Type A quantity*” means a quantity of radioactive material, the aggregate radioactivity of which does not exceed  $A_1$  for special form radioactive material, or  $A_2$ , for normal form radioactive material as defined in 10 CFR 71.4.

“*Type B quantity*” means a quantity of radioactive material greater than a Type A quantity as defined in 10 CFR 71.4.

“*Unrefined and unprocessed ore*” means ore in its natural form prior to any processing, such as grinding, roasting, beneficiating, or refining.

“*Unrestricted area*” means an area to which access is neither limited nor controlled by the licensee or registrant. For purposes of these rules, “uncontrolled area” is an equivalent term.

“*U.S. Department of Energy*” means the Department of Energy established by Public Law 95-91, August 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 565, 42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq., to the extent that the department exercises functions formerly vested in the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, its chairman, members, officers and components and transferred to the U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration and to the administrator thereof pursuant to Sections 104(b), (c) and (d) of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-438, October 11, 1974, 88 Stat. 1233 at 1237, effective January 19, 1975) and retransferred to the Secretary of Energy pursuant to Section 301(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95-91, August 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 565 at 577-578, 42 U.S.C. 7151, effective October 1, 1977).

“*User seal check (fit check)*” means an action conducted by the respirator user to determine if the respirator is properly seated to the face. Examples include negative pressure check, positive pressure check, irritant smoke check, or isoamyl acetate check.

“*Very high radiation area*” means an area, accessible to individuals, in which radiation levels from radiation sources external to the body could result in an individual’s receiving an absorbed dose in excess

of 500 rad (5 Gy) in 1 hour at 1 meter from a source of radiation or 1 meter from any surface that the radiation penetrates.

“*Waste*” means those low-level radioactive wastes that are acceptable for disposal in a land disposal facility. For the purposes of this definition, low-level waste has the same meaning as in the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Act, P.L. 96-573, as amended by P.L. 99-240, effective January 15, 1986; that is, radioactive waste (1) not classified as high-level radioactive waste, spent nuclear fuel, or by-product material as defined in Section 11e(2) of the Atomic Energy Act (uranium or thorium tailings and waste) and (2) classified as low-level radioactive waste consistent with existing law and in accordance with (1) by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

“*Waste handling licensees*” means persons licensed to receive and store radioactive wastes prior to disposal or persons licensed to dispose of radioactive waste.

“*Wedge filter*” means an added filter effecting continuous progressive attenuation on all or part of the useful beam.

“*Week*” means seven consecutive days starting on Sunday.

“*Whole body*” means, for purposes of external exposure, head, trunk including male gonads, arms above the elbow, or legs above the knee.

“*Worker*” means an individual engaged in work under a license or registration issued by the agency and controlled by a licensee or registrant, but does not include the licensee or registrant.

“*Working level*” (WL) means any combination of short-lived radon daughters in 1 liter of air that will result in the ultimate emission of 1.3E+5 MeV of potential alpha particle energy. The short-lived radon daughters are—for radon-222: polonium-218, lead-214, bismuth-214, and polonium-214; and for radon-220: polonium-216, lead-212, bismuth-212, and polonium-212.

“*Working level month*” (WLM) means an exposure to 1 working level for 170 hours—2,000 working hours per year divided by 12 months per year is approximately equal to 170 hours per month.

“*Written directive*” means an order in writing for a specific patient or human research subject, dated and signed by an authorized user prior to the administration of a radiopharmaceutical or by an individual qualified by training and experience to conduct particle accelerator therapy or radiation for X-ray therapy, as specified in 641—subrule 41.2(87).

“*X-radiation*” means penetrating electromagnetic radiation with energy greater than 0.1 kV produced by bombarding a metallic target with fast electrons in a high vacuum.

“*X-ray tube*” means any electron tube which is designed to be used primarily for the production of X-rays.

“*Year*” means the period of time beginning in January used to determine compliance with the provisions of these rules. The licensee or registrant may change the starting date of the year used to determine compliance by the licensee or registrant provided that the change is made at the beginning of the year and that no day is omitted or duplicated in consecutive years.

#### **641—38.3(136C) Exemptions from the regulatory requirements.**

**38.3(1) *General provision.*** The agency may, upon application therefor or upon its own initiative, grant such exemptions or exceptions from the requirements of the rules in 641—Chapters 38 to 46 as it determines are authorized by law and will not result in undue hazard to public health and safety or property. Application for exemptions or exceptions should be made in accordance with 641—Chapter 178.

**38.3(2) *Persons using by-product material under certain Department of Energy and Nuclear Regulatory Commission contracts.***

*a.* Except to the extent that NRC facilities or activities of the types subject to licensing pursuant to the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 are involved, any prime contractor of the NRC is exempt from the license requirements of these rules and from the regulations of these rules to the extent that such contractor, under the contractor’s prime contract with the NRC, manufactures, produces, transfers, receives, acquires, owns, possesses, or uses by-product material for:

(1) The performance of work for a department at the United States government-owned or government-controlled site, including the transportation of by-product material to or from such site and the performance of contract services during temporary interruptions of such transportation;

(2) Research in, or development, manufacture, storage, testing or transportation of, atomic weapons or components thereof; or

(3) The use or operation of nuclear reactors or other nuclear devices in a United States government-owned vehicle or vessel.

*b.* In addition to the foregoing exemptions and subject to the requirement for licensing of NRC facilities and activities pursuant to the requirements of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, any prime contractor or subcontractor of the NRC is exempt from the requirements for a license set forth in the Act and from the regulations in these rules to the extent that such prime contractor or subcontractor manufactures, produces, transfers, receives, acquires, owns, possesses, or uses by-product material under the contractor's or subcontractor's prime contract or subcontract when the NRC determines that the exemption of the prime contractor or subcontractor is authorized by law; and that, under the terms of the contract or subcontract, there is adequate assurance that the work can be accomplished without undue risk to the public health and safety.

*c.* Carriers. Common and contract carriers, freight forwarders, warehousemen, and the U.S. Postal Service are exempt from these rules to the extent that they transport or store radioactive material in the regular course of carriage for another or of storage incident thereto.

#### **641—38.4(136C) General regulatory requirements.**

##### **38.4(1) Records.**

*a.* Each licensee and registrant shall maintain records showing the receipt, transfer, and disposal of all sources of radiation. Additional record requirements are specified elsewhere in these rules.

*b.* Electronic records.

(1) A record or signature shall not be denied legal effect or enforceability solely because it is in electronic form.

(2) A contract shall not be denied legal effect or enforceability solely because an electronic record was used in its formation.

(3) If a rule requires a record to be in writing, an electronic record shall satisfy the rule.

(4) If a rule requires a signature, an electronic signature shall satisfy the rule.

##### **38.4(2) Inspections.**

*a.* Each licensee and registrant shall afford the agency at all reasonable times opportunity to inspect sources of radiation and the premises and facilities wherein such sources of radiation are used or stored.

*b.* Each licensee and registrant shall make available to the agency for inspection, upon reasonable notice, records maintained pursuant to these rules.

**38.4(3) Tests.** Each licensee and registrant shall perform upon instructions from the agency, or shall permit the agency to perform, such reasonable tests as the agency deems appropriate or necessary including, but not limited to, tests of:

*a.* Sources of radiation;

*b.* Facilities wherein sources of radiation are used or stored;

*c.* Radiation detection and monitoring instruments; and

*d.* Other equipment and devices used in connection with utilization or storage of licensed or registered sources of radiation.

##### **38.4(4) Units of exposure and dose.**

*a.* As used in these rules, the quality factors for converting absorbed dose to dose equivalent are shown in Table I.

TABLE I  
QUALITY FACTORS AND ABSORBED DOSE EQUIVALENCIES

TYPE OF RADIATION	Quality Factor (Q)	Absorbed Dose Equal to a Unit Dose Equivalent (see footnote "1")
X, gamma, or beta radiation and high-speed electrons	1	1
Alpha particles, multiple-charged particles, fission fragments and heavy particles of unknown charge	20	0.05
Neutrons of unknown energy	10	0.1
High-energy protons	10	0.1

1. Absorbed dose in rad equal to 1 rem or the absorbed dose in gray equal to 1 sievert.

*b.* If it is more convenient to measure the neutron fluence rate than to determine the neutron dose equivalent rate in sievert per hour or rem per hour, as provided in 38.4(4) "a," 1 rem (0.01 Sv) of neutron radiation of unknown energies may, for purposes of these rules, be assumed to result from a total fluence of 25 million neutrons per square centimeter incident upon the body. If sufficient information exists to estimate the approximate energy distribution of the neutrons, the licensee or registrant may use the fluence rate per unit dose equivalent or the appropriate Q value from Table II to convert a measured tissue dose in gray or rad to dose equivalent in sievert or rem.

TABLE II  
MEAN QUALITY FACTORS, Q, AND FLUENCE PER UNIT DOSE EQUIVALENT FOR MONOENERGETIC NEUTRONS

	Neutron Energy (MeV)	Quality Factor <sup>a</sup> (Q)	Fluence per Unit Dose Equivalent <sup>b</sup> (neutrons cm <sup>-2</sup> rem <sup>-1</sup> )	Fluence per Unit Dose Equivalent <sup>b</sup> (neutrons cm <sup>-2</sup> Sv <sup>-1</sup> )
(thermal)	2.5E-8	2	980E+6	980E+8
	1E-7	2	980E+6	980E+8
	1E-6	2	810E+6	810E+8
	1E-5	2	810E+6	810E+8
	1E-4	2	840E+6	840E+8
	1E-3	2	980E+6	980E+8
	1E-2	2.5	1010E+6	1010E+8
	1E-1	7.5	170E+6	170E+8
	5E-1	11	39E+6	39E+8
	1	11	27E+6	27E+8
	2.5	9	29E+6	29E+8
	5	8	23E+6	23E+8
	7	7	24E+6	24E+8
	10	6.5	24E+6	24E+8
	14	7.5	17E+6	17E+8
	20	8	16E+6	16E+8
	40	7	14E+6	14E+8
	60	5.5	16E+6	16E+8
	1E+2	4	20E+6	20E+8



Neutron Energy (MeV)	Quality Factor <sup>a</sup> (Q)	Fluence per Unit Dose Equivalent <sup>b</sup> (neutrons cm <sup>-2</sup> rem <sup>-1</sup> )	Fluence per Unit Dose Equivalent <sup>b</sup> (neutrons cm <sup>-2</sup> Sv <sup>-1</sup> )
2E+2	3.5	19E+6	19E+8
3E+2	3.5	16E+6	16E+8
4E+2	3.5	14E+6	14E+8

<sup>a</sup>Value of quality factor (Q) at the point where the dose equivalent is maximum in a 30-centimeter diameter cylinder tissue-equivalent phantom.

<sup>b</sup>Monoenergetic neutrons incident normally on a 30-centimeter diameter cylinder tissue-equivalent phantom.

**38.4(5) Units of activity.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**38.4(6) Additional requirements.** The agency may, by rule, regulation, or order, impose upon any licensee or registrant such requirements in addition to those established in these rules as it deems appropriate or necessary to minimize danger to public health and safety or property.

**641—38.5(136C) Administrative actions.** Rescinded IAB 4/3/02, effective 5/8/02.

**641—38.6(136C) Prohibited uses.** A hand-held fluoroscopic screen shall not be used with X-ray equipment unless it has been accepted for certification by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Center for Devices and Radiological Health. A shoe-fitting fluoroscopic device shall not be used. Radiation from radiation-emitting machines or radioactive materials shall not be used on humans for nonmedical purposes.

**641—38.7(136C) Communications.**

**38.7(1)** All communications and reports concerning these rules, and applications filed thereunder, should be addressed to the agency at its office located at the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Radiological Health, Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

**38.7(2)** Drafts of proposed regulations released to the department from the federal government which constitute essential information needed by the department to ensure compliance with federal regulations are not available for public examination. Therefore, pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.9, the department waives the provision of Iowa Code section 22.2 as it applies to these proposed draft regulations.

**641—38.8(136C) Fees.**

**38.8(1) Radiation machines.**

*a.* Each registrant shall, at the time of registration and the anniversary date thereafter, as long as the registrant owns the radiation machine, remit to the agency a nonrefundable fee sufficient to defray the cost of registering the equipment with the department. All fees shall be paid annually in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health. The fees to be paid shall be in the amount computed by the following schedule:

#### ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE

Type of X-ray machine	Fee per tube	Maximum fee
1. Medical	\$51	\$1500
2. Osteopathy	\$51	\$1500
3. Chiropractic	\$51	\$1500
4. Dentistry	\$39	\$1000
5. Podiatry	\$39	\$1000
6. Veterinary Medicine	\$25	—
7. (Industrial/Nonmedical Use)	\$50	—
8. Food Sterilization	\$1000	—

Type of X-ray machine	Fee per tube	Maximum fee
9. Accelerators	\$100	—
10. Electron Microscope	\$20	—
11. Bone Densitometry	\$25	—

Fees for radiation machines not listed in the above schedule shall not be less than \$50 per unit/tube.

*b.* Each registrant shall, where appropriate, pay the following special inspections/interpretation fee at the written request of the department:

(1) Mammography unit inspections fees:

- \$900 for the first unit and, if the facility has additional units at the address of the first unit, a fee of \$325 for each additional unit; or

- \$900 per portable unit for each site where the unit is off-loaded and used and where the processing and patient films are stored; or

- Dollar amount to be determined and justified by the department on a case-by-case basis for facilities which do not meet the above criteria; or

- \$450 for the second facility follow-up visit to review or determine the corrective action taken to address noncompliances; or

- \$900 for each stereotactic breast biopsy unit.

(2) Mammography interpretation fees of \$100 per mammography examination provided to the department for the purpose of determining film diagnostic quality.

(3) Industrial and oncology accelerator registrants shall pay for each inspection a fee of \$400 for the first and \$100 for each additional unit.

(4) Industrial radiography X-ray units/walk-in cabinet radiography X-ray unit registrants shall pay for each inspection a fee of \$250 for the first unit and \$75 for each additional unit.

*c.* Each person who is engaged in the business of installing or offering to furnish radiation machines or is engaged in the business of furnishing or offering to furnish radiation machine servicing or service in the state shall apply for registration of such service with the agency prior to furnishing or offering to furnish any such service. Application shall be on a form provided by the department and include an annual nonrefundable fee of \$100.

*d.* Each person engaged in providing health physics services in mammography in Iowa, who meets the requirements of 641—paragraph 41.6(3) “*c*” and is deemed qualified by this agency, must submit a \$40 annual listing fee to this agency.

*e.* All mammography facilities providing services in Iowa must submit a \$50 annual authorization certification fee.

*f.* All Iowa-accredited facilities providing mammography services in Iowa must submit a \$200 accreditation fee for initial accreditation and each reaccreditation.

**38.8(2) Radioactive material licensing, inspection and registration fee.**

*a. Licensing.*

(1) Fees associated with licensing of the possession and use of radioactive materials in Iowa shall not exceed those specified in 10 CFR 170.31. The radioactive materials fee schedule is available through the agency.

(2) All required fees for new radioactive materials licenses, amendments to licenses, or renewal of licenses shall accompany the application for the requested action.

*b. Inspections.*

(1) After completion of an inspection, an inspection fee shall be assessed to a facility based on the fees for inspection, which shall not exceed those found in 10 CFR 170.32 entitled “Schedule of Fees for Health and Safety, and Safeguards Inspections for Materials Licenses.” The radioactive materials fee schedule is available through the agency.

(2) All required fees for inspections conducted by the agency shall be paid within 30 days after receipt of the agency notification following the inspection.

*c. Registration.* Each person having generally licensed radioactive materials shall annually register with the department and pay a nonrefundable annual fee of \$200.

**38.8(3) Industrial radiography testing and certification.**

*a.* A nonrefundable fee of \$175 shall be submitted with each application for taking an industrial radiography examination to become certified by the agency.

*b.* A fee of \$25 shall be submitted in order to replace lost identification cards issued to industrial radiographers by the agency pursuant to 641—subrule 45.1(10).

*c.* A nonrefundable fee of \$75 shall be submitted with each application, not associated with an agency-administered industrial radiography examination, for a trainee or trainer card issued to a radiographer's assistant or an industrial radiographer.

**38.8(4) Owner-assessed expenses.** In cases in which the agency determines that the cost of regulating or inspecting registered radiation machine facilities or radioactive materials licensees significantly exceeds the fees charged to the facility, it may assess an additional fee to the owner or user of the source(s) of radiation to cover the actual expenses incurred by the agency.

**38.8(5) Environmental surveillance fee.** A fee may be levied against any licensee, registrant, corporation, company, business, or individual for environmental surveillance activities which are necessary to assess the radiological impact of activities conducted by the licensee, registrant, corporation, company, business, or individual. This fee shall be sufficient to defray actual costs incurred by the agency, including, but not limited to, salaries of agency employees, per diem, travel, and costs of laboratory analysis of samples, when required.

**38.8(6) Certification fees.** Diagnostic radiographers, radiologist assistants, radiation therapists, and nuclear medicine technologists (as defined in 641—Chapter 42), other than licensed practitioners of the healing arts, are required to pay fees sufficient to defray the cost of administering 641—Chapter 42. For podiatry assistant fees, see 641—42.7(136C). Fees are as follows:

*a. Annual fee.* Each individual must submit a \$60 initial fee for the first year and \$50 annually. These fees are nonrefundable.

*b. Examination fee.* Each individual making application to take an examination given by the agency as a limited or general nuclear medicine technologist, limited or general radiation therapist, or limited or general diagnostic radiographer as defined in 641—Chapter 42 must pay a nonrefundable fee of \$110 each time the individual takes the examination required by 641—Chapter 42.

*c. Recertification fees.* Once certification has been terminated for failure to complete continuing education requirements, any individual who requests permission to reestablish certification within six months of the initial continuing education due date must meet the training and testing requirements of 641—Chapter 42, submit proof of continuing education hours and shall submit a late fee of \$30 in addition to the annual fee in order to obtain reinstatement of certification.

*d. Continuing education late fee.* Any individual who will not complete the required continuing education before the continuing education due date and wishes to submit a plan of correction as set forth in 641—subparagraph 42.2(3)“g”(2) shall submit a nonrefundable fee of \$25 along with the written plan of correction.

**38.8(7) Returned check and late fees.** Persons who fail to pay required fees to the agency are subject to the following penalties:

*a.* \$25 for each payment received by the agency in accordance with these rules, for which insufficient funds are available to fulfill the obligation of such payment to the agency.

*b.* \$25 for each month for failure to pay any fee administered by this agency starting 30 days after the due date of the original notice. This fee is added to the unpaid fee.

**38.8(8) Reciprocity.** Fees paid for reciprocal recognition of out-of-state persons wishing to utilize radiation machines or radioactive materials in Iowa shall allow the out-of-state person to operate for a total of 180 days during the 365-day reciprocity period starting the date the fee is received by the agency.

*a. Radiation machines.* Any out-of-state person who wishes to bring an X-ray machine or linear accelerators into the state to perform work or services shall pay a reciprocity fee of \$100 for each source of radiation.

*b.* Radioactive materials. Out-of-state persons wishing to bring sources of radioactive material into Iowa for business purposes may be subject to a reciprocity fee depending on the type of activity to be performed and the type of radioactive materials license possessed (refer to 641—subrule 39.4(90)). If a reciprocity fee is applicable, it shall be assessed at the rate for reciprocity specified in the radioactive materials fee schedule available through the agency for each 365-day reciprocity period. In addition, if the agency performs an inspection of the out-of-state person's activities while in Iowa, the appropriate inspection fee as specified in the radioactive materials fee schedule will be assessed.

*c.* Industrial radiographers wishing to operate in Iowa under an identification card from a jurisdiction recognized by Iowa that charges Iowa card holders a fee will be assessed and must pay a \$100 fee prior to conducting industrial radiography in Iowa.

**38.8(9)** *Radon certification.* Rescinded IAB 4/3/02, effective 5/8/02.

**38.8(10)** *Radon mitigation credentialing.* Rescinded IAB 4/3/02, effective 5/8/02.

**38.8(11)** *Radioactive material transport fee schedule.*

*a.* All shippers shall pay the following fee(s) unless the department obtains sufficient funding from another source, which may include but is not limited to a federal agency or a contract with a shipper.

(1) \$1800 per highway cask for each truck shipment of spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, or highway route controlled quantity of radioactive materials or any material shipped in accordance with 641—subrule 40.54(5) traversing the state or any portion thereof. Single cask truck shipments are subject to a surcharge of \$20 per mile for every mile over 250 miles traveled.

(2) \$1300 for the first cask and \$125 for each additional cask for each rail shipment of spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, transuranic waste, or highway route controlled quantity of radioactive materials or any material shipped in accordance with 641—subrule 40.54(5) traversing the state or any portion thereof.

(3) \$175 for each shipment by truck or by rail paid by the shipper for low-level radioactive waste shipped in or across Iowa. The department may accept an annual shipment fee as negotiated with a shipper or accept payment per shipment. This fee applies to waste shipped to a site authorized by a government agency to receive low-level radioactive waste or shipped to a storage site to be held for future disposal.

*b.* All fees must be received by the department prior to shipment. Fees must be in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health and sent to the Iowa Bureau of Radiological Health, Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. Other methods of fee payment may be considered by the department on a case-by-case basis upon request of the shipper. A request for an alternative method of payment must be made to the department prior to shipment.

*c.* All fees received pursuant to this subrule shall be used for purposes related to transporting radioactive material, including enforcement and planning, developing, and maintaining a capability for emergency response.

**38.8(12)** *Fee waiver.* Any fee may be waived in exchange for services (low-level waste disposal, radiation detection instrument calibration, instrument repair, sample analysis, etc.) provided to the agency. The waiver may only occur as a result of a 28E agreement between the parties.

#### **641—38.9(136C) Administrative enforcement actions.**

**38.9(1)** *Scope.*

*a.* This rule prescribes the procedure in cases initiated by the staff, or upon a request by any person, to impose requirements by order, or to modify, suspend, or revoke a license, registration, or certificate or to take other action as may be proper against any person subject to the jurisdiction of the agency. The term “regulated entity” as used in this rule refers to any facility, person, partnership, corporation or other organization which is regulated by the agency by virtue of these rules, the Iowa Code, licensing documents, registrations, certificates, or other official regulatory promulgation. “Authorization” means license, registration, certificate, permit, or any other document issued or received by the agency that authorizes specific activities related to the possession and use of radioactive materials or radiation-producing machines in Iowa.

b. This rule also prescribes the procedures in cases initiated by the staff to impose civil penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 136C.4, to impose serious misdemeanor penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 136B.5 or to impose simple misdemeanor penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 136D.8.

**38.9(2) Notice of violation.**

a. In response to an alleged violation of any provision of the Iowa Code, these rules, the conditions of an authorization issued by the agency or any order issued by the agency, the agency may serve on the regulated entity a written notice of violation; a separate notice may be omitted if an order pursuant to 38.9(3) or demand for information pursuant to 38.9(5) is issued that otherwise identifies the apparent violation. The notice of violation will concisely state the alleged violation(s) and will require that the regulated entity submit, within 30 days of the date of the notice or other specified time, a written explanation or statement in reply including:

- (1) Corrective steps which have been taken by the regulated entity and the results achieved;
- (2) Corrective action which will be taken to prevent recurrence; and
- (3) The date when full compliance will be achieved.

b. The notice may require the regulated entity subject to the jurisdiction of the agency to admit or deny the violation and to state the reasons for the violation, if admitted. It may provide that, if an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in the notice, the agency may issue an order or a demand for information as to why the authorization should not be modified, suspended, or revoked or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken.

c. Violations are categorized according to five levels of severity, which are:

(1) Severity Levels I and II: Violations are of very significant regulatory concern involving actual or high potential impact on the public health and safety.

(2) Severity Level III: Violations are cause for significant concern.

(3) Severity Level IV: Violations are less serious but are of more than minor concern and that, if left uncorrected, could lead to a more serious health and safety concern.

(4) Severity Level V: Violations are of minor safety or environmental concern.

d. A group of violations may be evaluated in the aggregate and assigned a single higher severity level if the violations have the same underlying cause or if the violations contributed to or were unavoidable consequences of the underlying problem.

e. The severity level of a violation may be increased if the violation can be considered a repetitive violation. The term “repetitive violation” or “similar violation” means a violation that reasonably could have been prevented by a regulated entity’s corrective action for a previous violation normally occurring within the past two years of the inspection at issue or the period within the last two inspections, whichever is longer.

f. The severity level of a violation may be increased if the violation involves casual disregard of requirements, deception, or other indications of willfulness. The term “willfulness” is that characteristic of violations ranging from deliberate intent to violate or falsify to intentional disregard for regulatory requirements.

**38.9(3) Orders.**

a. The agency may institute a proceeding to modify, suspend, or revoke an authorization or to take other action as may be proper by serving on the regulated entity an order which will:

(1) Allege the violations with which the regulated entity is charged, or the potentially hazardous conditions or other facts deemed to be sufficient grounds for the proposed action;

(2) Provide that the regulated entity may file a written answer to the order under oath or affirmation within 20 days of its date, or such other time as may be specified in the order;

(3) Inform the regulated entity of its right, within 20 days of the date of the order, or such other time as may be specified in the order, to demand a hearing on all or part of the order, except in a case where the regulated entity has consented in writing to the order;

(4) Specify the issues for hearing; and

(5) State the effective date of the order; if the agency finds that the public health, safety, or interest so requires or that the violation or conduct causing the violation is willful, the order may provide, for stated reasons, that the proposed action be immediately effective pending further order.

b. A regulated entity who receives an order may respond to an order under this subrule by filing a written answer under oath or affirmation. The answer shall specifically admit or deny each allegation or charge made in the order and may set forth the matters of fact and law on which the regulated entity relies, and, if the order is not consented to, the reasons as to why the order should not have been issued. Except as provided in paragraph “d” of this subrule, the answer may demand a hearing.

c. If the answer demands a hearing, the agency will issue an order designating the time and place of hearing.

d. An answer or stipulation may consent to the entry of an order in substantially the form proposed in the order with respect to all or some of the actions proposed in the order. The consent, in the answer or other written document, of the regulated entity to whom the order has been issued shall constitute a waiver by the regulated entity of a hearing, findings of fact and conclusions of law, and of all right to seek agency and judicial review or to contest the validity of the order in any forum as to those matters which have been consented to or agreed to or on which a hearing has not been requested. An order that has been consented to shall have the same force and effect as an order made after hearing by a presiding officer or the agency, and shall be effective as provided in the order.

**38.9(4) Settlement and compromise.** At any time after the issuance of an order designating the time and place of hearing in a proceeding to modify, suspend, or revoke an authorization, the staff and a regulated entity may enter into a stipulation for the settlement of the proceeding or the compromise of a civil penalty.

**38.9(5) Demand for information.**

a. The agency may issue to a regulated entity a demand for information for the purpose of determining whether an order under 38.9(3) should be issued, or whether other action should be taken, which demand will:

(1) Allege the violations with which the regulated entity is charged, or the potentially hazardous conditions or other facts deemed to be sufficient ground for issuing the demand; and

(2) Provide that the regulated entity must file a written answer to the demand for information under oath or affirmation within 20 days of its date, or such time as may be specified in the demand for information.

b. A regulated entity to whom the agency has issued a demand for information under this subrule must respond to the demand by filing a written answer under oath or affirmation. The regulated entity’s answer shall specifically admit or deny each allegation or charge made in the demand for information, and shall set forth the matters of fact and law on which the licensee relies. A person other than a licensee may answer as described above, or by setting forth its reasons why the demand should not have been issued and, if the requested information is not provided, the reasons why it is not provided.

c. Upon review of the answer filed pursuant to 38.9(5) “a”(2), or if no answer is filed, the agency may institute a proceeding pursuant to 38.9(3) to take such action as may be proper.

d. An answer may consent to the entry of an order pursuant to 38.9(3) in substantially the form proposed in the demand for information. Such consent shall constitute a waiver as provided in 38.9(3) “d.”

**38.9(6) Civil penalties.**

a. Before instituting any proceeding to impose a civil penalty under Iowa Code section 136C.4, the agency shall serve a written notice of violation upon the person charged. This notice may be included in a notice issued pursuant to 38.9(2). The notice of violation shall specify the date or dates, facts, and the nature of the alleged act or omission with which the person is charged and shall identify specifically the particular provision or provisions of the law, rule, regulation, license, permit, or cease and desist order involved in the alleged violation and must state the amount of each proposed penalty. The notice of violation shall also advise the person charged that the civil penalty may be paid in the amount specified therein, or the proposed imposition of the civil penalty may be protested in its entirety or in part, by a written answer, either denying the violation or showing extenuating circumstances. The notice of violation shall advise the person charged that upon failure to pay a civil penalty subsequently determined by the agency, if any, unless compromised, remitted, or mitigated, the fee shall be collected by civil action, pursuant to Iowa Code section 136C.4.

b. Within 20 days of the date of a notice of violation or other time specified in the notice, the person charged may either pay the penalty in the amount proposed or answer the notice of violation. The answer to the notice of violation shall state any facts, explanations, and arguments denying the charges of violation, or demonstrating any extenuating circumstances, error in the notice of violation, or other reason why the penalty should not be imposed and may request remission or mitigation of the penalty.

c. If the person charged with violation fails to answer within the time specified in 38.9(6) "b," an order may be issued imposing the civil penalty in the amount set forth in the notice of violation described in 38.9(6) "a."

d. If the person charged with violation files an answer to the notice of violation, the agency, upon consideration of the answer, will issue an order dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty. The person charged may, within 20 days of the date of the order or other time specified in the order, request a hearing.

e. If the person charged with violation requests a hearing, the agency will issue an order designating the time and place of hearing.

f. If a hearing is held, an order will be issued after the hearing by the presiding officer or the agency dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty.

g. The agency may compromise any civil penalty, subject to the provisions of 38.9(4).

h. If the civil penalty is not compromised, or is not remitted by the presiding officer or the agency, and if payment is not made within ten days following either the service of the order described in 38.9(6) "c" or "f," or the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing described in 38.9(6) "d," the agency may refer the matter to the attorney general for collection.

i. Except when payment is made after compromise or mitigation by the Department of Justice or as ordered by a court of the state, following reference of the matter to the attorney general for collection, payment of civil penalties imposed under Iowa Code section 136C.4 shall be made by check, draft, or money order payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health.

**38.9(7) Requests for action under this rule.**

a. Any person may file a request to institute a proceeding pursuant to 38.9(3) to modify, suspend, or revoke an authorization as may be proper. Such a request shall be addressed to the Chief, Bureau of Radiological Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The requests shall specify the action requested and set forth the facts that constitute the basis for the request. The bureau chief will discuss the matter with staff to determine appropriate action in accordance with 38.9(7) "b."

b. Within a reasonable time after a request pursuant to 38.9(7) "a" has been received, the bureau chief shall either institute the requested proceeding in accordance with this rule or shall advise the person who made the request in writing that no proceeding will be instituted, in whole or in part, with respect to the request, and the reasons for the decision.

c. (1) The bureau chief's decisions under this rule will be filed and within 25 days after the date of the bureau chief's decision under this rule that no proceeding will be instituted or other action taken in whole or in part, the agency may on its own motion review that decision, in whole or in part, to determine if the bureau chief has abused discretion. This review power does not limit in any way either the agency's supervisory power over delegated staff actions or the agency's power to consult with the staff on a formal or informal basis regarding institution of proceedings under this rule.

(2) No petition or other request for agency review of a bureau chief's decision under this rule will be entertained by the agency.

**38.9(8) Impounding.** The agency may impound or order the impounding of radioactive material in the possession of a person who fails to observe the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 136C, or any rules, license or registration conditions, or orders issued by this agency.

a. If agency action is necessary to protect the public health and safety, no prior notice need be given the owner or possessor. If agency action is not necessary to protect the public health and safety, the agency will give to either the owner or the possessor of the source of radiation written notice of the intention to impound the source of radiation.

(1) Either the owner or the possessor shall have 20 days from the date of personal service of certified mailing to request a hearing, except in the case where the regulated entity has consented in writing to the impoundment.

(2) If a hearing is requested, the agency will issue an order designating the time and place of hearing.

*b.* At the agency's direction, the impounded sources of radiation may be disposed of by:

(1) Returning the source of radiation to a properly licensed or registered owner that did not cause the emergency;

(2) Returning the source of radiation to a licensee or registrant after the emergency is over and after settlement of any compliance action; or

(3) Selling, destroying, or disposing of the source of radiation in another manner within the agency's discretion.

**641—38.10(136C) Deliberate misconduct.**

**38.10(1)** Any licensee, registrant, applicant for a license or certificate of registration, employee of a licensee, registrant or applicant; or any contractor (including a supplier or consultant), subcontractor, employee of a contractor or subcontractor of any licensee or registrant or applicant for a license or certificate of registration, who knowingly provides to any licensee, applicant, registrant, contractor, or subcontractor any components, equipment, materials, or other goods or services that relate to a licensee's, registrant's or applicant's activities in this rule, may not:

*a.* Engage in deliberate misconduct that causes or would have caused, if not detected, a licensee, registrant, or applicant to be in violation of any rule, regulation, or order; or any term, condition, or limitation of any license or registration issued by the agency; or

*b.* Deliberately submit to the agency, a licensee, registrant, applicant, or a licensee's, registrant's, or applicant's contractor or subcontractor, information that the person submitting the information knows to be incomplete or inaccurate in some respect material to the agency.

**38.10(2)** A person who violates paragraph 38.10(1) "a" or "b" may be subject to enforcement action in accordance with the procedures in 641—38.9(136C).

**38.10(3)** For the purposes of paragraph 38.10(1) "a," deliberate misconduct by a person means an intentional act or omission that the person knows:

*a.* Would cause a licensee, registrant, or applicant to be in violation of any rule, regulation, or order; or any term, condition, or limitation of any license issued by the agency; or

*b.* Constitutes a violation of a requirement, procedure, instruction, contract, purchase order, or policy of a licensee, registrant, applicant, contractor, or subcontractor.

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## CHAPTER 39

## REGISTRATION OF RADIATION MACHINE FACILITIES, LICENSURE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS AND TRANSPORTATION OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

**641—39.1(136C) Purpose and scope.**

**39.1(1)** All persons possessing radiation machines within the state shall be registered in accordance with this chapter, except as specifically exempted.

**39.1(2)** No person shall receive, possess, use, transfer, own, or acquire radioactive material except as authorized in a specific or general license issued pursuant to this chapter or as otherwise provided in these rules.

**39.1(3)** All references to any Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of July 9, 2008.

**39.1(4)** In addition to the requirements of this chapter, all registrants are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapters 38 and 40. Furthermore, registrants engaged in healing arts are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapters 41 and 42; registrants engaged in industrial/nonmedical radiographic operations are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapter 45.

**39.1(5)** In areas under exclusive federal jurisdiction, nothing in these rules applies to the extent that persons are subject to regulation by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) or other federal agencies.

**641—39.2(136C) Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions in 641—Chapter 38 may also apply to this chapter.

**641—39.3(136C) Requirements for registration of X-ray and other electronic machines that produce radiation.****39.3(1) Exemptions.**

*a.* Electronic equipment that produces radiation incidental to its operation for other purposes is exempt from the registration and notification requirements of this chapter, provided that the dose equivalent rate averaged over an area of 10 square centimeters does not exceed 0.5 millirem (5  $\mu$ Sv) per hour at 5 centimeters from any accessible surface of such equipment. The production, testing, or factory servicing of such equipment shall not be exempt.

*b.* Radiation machines while in transit or storage incident thereto are exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

*c.* Domestic television receivers are exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

**39.3(2) Application for registration of radiation machine facilities.** Each person having a radiation machine facility shall:

*a.* Apply for registration of such facility with the agency prior to the operation of a radiation machine facility. In order to register equipment, the person must have a storage area located in Iowa where records of equipment maintenance and quality assurance, personnel monitoring, and personnel certification must be kept for review during an inspection. The records may be stored on a van, if appropriate. An Iowa mailing address is not required. Application for registration shall be completed on forms furnished by the agency and shall include the appropriate fee from 641—38.8(136C).

*b.* Designate on the application form an individual to be responsible for radiation protection.

*c.* Each registrant shall prohibit any person from furnishing radiation machine servicing or services as described in 39.3(3)“*d*” to the registrant’s radiation machine facility until such person provides evidence that the person has been registered with the agency as a provider of services in accordance with 39.3(3).

**39.3(3) Application for registration of servicing and services.**

*a.* Each person who is engaged in the business of installing or offering to install radiation machines or is engaged in the business of furnishing or offering to furnish radiation machine servicing or services in this state shall apply for registration of such services with the agency prior to furnishing or offering to furnish any such services.

b. Application for registration shall be completed on forms furnished by the agency and shall contain all information required by the agency as indicated on the forms and accompanying instructions and include the fee required in 641—paragraph 38.8(1)“c.”

c. Each person applying for registration under this chapter shall specify:

- (1) That the person has read and understands the requirements of these rules;
- (2) The services for which the person is applying for registration;
- (3) The training and experience that qualify the person to discharge the services for which the person is applying for registration;
- (4) The type of measurement instrument to be used, frequency of calibration, and source of calibration; and
- (5) The type of personnel dosimeters supplied, frequency of reading, and replacement or exchange schedule.

d. For the purpose of 39.3(3), services may include but shall not be limited to:

- (1) Installation and servicing of radiation machines and associated radiation machine components;
- (2) Calibration of radiation machines or radiation measurement instruments or devices;
- (3) Radiation protection or health physics consultations or surveys; and
- (4) Processor or processor servicing, or both.
- (5) Calibration and compliance surveys of external beam radiation therapy units.

e. No individual shall perform services which are not specifically stated for that individual on the notice of registration issued by the agency.

f. A registration may be revoked for violating or causing a facility to violate any of the rules in 641—Chapters 38 through 45.

g. Radiation therapy physicists providing services for therapeutic radiation machines must provide proof that the training requirements of 641—subrule 41.3(6) have been met.

**39.3(4) Issuance of notice of registration.**

a. Upon a determination that an applicant meets the requirements of this chapter, the agency shall issue a notice of registration.

b. The agency may incorporate in the notice of registration at the time of issuance or thereafter by appropriate rule, regulation, or order, such additional requirements and conditions with respect to the registrant's receipt, possession, use, and transfer of radiation machines as it deems appropriate or necessary.

**39.3(5) Expiration of notice of registration.** Except as provided by 39.3(6)“b,” each notice of registration shall expire within 12 months of issuance or at the end of the specified day in the month and year stated therein.

**39.3(6) Renewal of notice of registration.**

a. Application for renewal of registration shall be filed in accordance with 39.3(2) or 39.3(3).

b. In any case in which a registrant has properly filed an application for renewal of current registration within 90 days prior to the expiration of the existing registration, such existing registration shall not expire until the application status has been finally determined by the agency.

**39.3(7) Report of changes.** The registrant shall notify the agency in writing before making any change which would render the information contained in the application for registration or the notice of registration no longer accurate.

**39.3(8) Approval not implied.** No person, in any advertisement, shall refer to the fact that the person or the person's facility is registered with the agency pursuant to the provisions of 39.3(2) or 39.3(3), and no person shall state or imply that any activity under such registration has been approved by the agency.

**39.3(9) Assembler and transfer obligation.**

a. Any person who sells, leases, transfers, lends, disposes of, assembles, or installs radiation machines in this state shall notify the agency in writing within 15 days of:

- (1) The name and address of persons who have received these machines;
- (2) The manufacturer, model, and serial number of each radiation machine transferred; and
- (3) The date of transfer of each radiation machine.

b. No person shall make, sell, lease, transfer, lend, assemble, or install radiation machines or the supplies used in connection with such machines unless such supplies and equipment, when properly placed in operation and used, shall meet the requirements of 641—Chapters 38, 39, 40 and 41.

c. In the case of diagnostic X-ray systems which contain certified components, a copy of the assembler's report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the federal diagnostic X-ray standard (21 CFR 1020.30(d)) shall be submitted to the agency within 15 days following completion of the assembly. Such report shall suffice in lieu of any other report by the assembler.

**39.3(10) Reciprocity —out-of-state radiation machines.**

a. Whenever any radiation machine is to be brought into the state, for any temporary use, the person proposing to bring such machine into the state shall give written notice to the agency at least three working days before such machine is to be used in the state. The notice shall include:

- (1) The type of radiation machine;
- (2) The nature, duration, and scope of use;
- (3) The exact location(s) where the radiation machine is to be used; and
- (4) States in which this machine is registered.

b. If, for a specific case, the three-working-day period would impose an undue hardship on the person, upon application to the agency, permission to proceed sooner may be granted.

c. The person referred to in 39.3(10)“a” shall:

- (1) Comply with all applicable rules of the agency;
- (2) Supply the agency with such other information as the agency may reasonably request; and
- (3) Not operate within the state on a temporary basis in excess of 180 calendar days in a 365-day reciprocity period. The 365-day reciprocity period starts on the day the agency receives the appropriate fee, as specified in 641—subrule 38.8(8), and ends exactly 365 days later. It is the registrant's responsibility to ensure the 180-day limit is not exceeded during the 365-day reciprocity period and to ensure that the reciprocal recognition is renewed 30 days prior to the expiration of the 365-day reciprocity period.

**39.3(11) Exemption.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**641—39.4(136C) Requirements for licensing of radioactive materials.**

**39.4(1) Additional requirements.**

a. In addition to the requirements of this chapter, all licensees are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapters 38, 40 and 41. Furthermore, licensees engaged in industrial/nonmedical radiographic operations are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapter 45; licensees using radionuclides in the healing arts are subject to the requirements of 641—41.2(136C) and 641—Chapter 42; and licensees engaged in land disposal of radioactive material are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapter 40.

b. An Iowa radioactive materials license requires that the person have a permanent storage area in Iowa where records are maintained pertaining to licensed activities, equipment maintenance and quality assurance, personnel monitoring, and personnel certification and where material can be stored. The records may be stored on a van, if appropriate. The storage area must be accessible during inspections. An Iowa mailing address is not required.

**39.4(2) Source material.**

a. Any person is exempt from this chapter to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, owns, or transfers source material in any chemical mixture, compound, solution, or alloy in which the source material is by weight less than 1/20 of 1 percent (0.05 percent) of the mixture, compound, solution, or alloy.

b. Any person is exempt from this chapter to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, or transfers unrefined and unprocessed ore containing source material; provided that, except as authorized in a specific license, such person shall not refine or process such ore.

c. Any person is exempt from this chapter to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, or transfers:

- (1) Any quantities of thorium contained in:
  1. Incandescent gas mantles,

2. Vacuum tubes,
3. Welding rods,
4. Electric lamps for illuminating purposes, provided that each lamp does not contain more than 50 milligrams of thorium,
5. Germicidal lamps, sunlamps, and lamps for outdoor or industrial lighting, provided that each lamp does not contain more than 2 grams of thorium,
6. Rare earth metals and compounds, mixtures, and products containing not more than 0.25 percent by weight thorium, uranium, or any combination of these, or
7. Personnel neutron dosimeters, provided that each dosimeter does not contain more than 50 milligrams of thorium.
  - (2) Source material contained in the following products:
    1. Glazed ceramic tableware, provided that the glaze contains not more than 20 percent by weight source material,
    2. Glassware containing not more than 10 percent by weight source material, but not including commercially manufactured glass brick, pane glass, ceramic tile, or other glass or ceramic used in construction,
    3. Glass enamel or glass enamel frit containing not more than 10 percent by weight source material imported or ordered for importation into the United States, or initially distributed by manufacturers in the United States, before July 25, 1983, or
    4. Piezoelectric ceramic containing not more than 2 percent by weight source material.
  - (3) Photographic film, negatives, and prints containing uranium or thorium.
  - (4) Any finished product or part fabricated of, or containing, tungsten-thorium or magnesium-thorium alloys, provided that the thorium content of the alloy does not exceed 4 percent by weight and that this exemption shall not be deemed to authorize the chemical, physical, or metallurgical treatment or processing of any such product or part.
  - (5) Uranium contained in counterweights installed in aircraft, rockets, projectiles, and missiles, or stored or handled in connection with installation or removal of such counterweights, provided that:
    1. The counterweights are manufactured in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, authorizing distribution by the licensee pursuant to 10 CFR Part 40,
    2. Each counterweight has been impressed with the following legend clearly legible through any plating or other covering: "DEPLETED URANIUM,"
    3. Each counterweight is durably and legibly labeled or marked with the identification of the manufacturer and the statement: "UNAUTHORIZED ALTERATIONS PROHIBITED," and
    4. This exemption shall not be deemed to authorize the chemical, physical, or metallurgical treatment or processing of any such counterweights other than repair or restoration of any plating or other covering.
  - (6) Natural or depleted uranium metal used as shielding constituting part of any shipping container, provided that:
    1. The shipping container is conspicuously and legibly impressed with the legend "CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE SHIELDING—URANIUM," and
    2. The uranium metal is encased in mild steel or equally fire-resistant metal of minimum wall thickness of 1/8 inch (3.2 mm).
  - (7) Thorium contained in finished optical lenses, provided that each lens does not contain more than 30 percent by weight of thorium, and that this exemption shall not be deemed to authorize either:
    1. The shaping, grinding, or polishing of such lens or manufacturing processes other than the assembly of such lens into optical systems and devices without any alteration of the lens, or
    2. The receipt, possession, use, or transfer of thorium contained in contact lenses, or in spectacles, or in eyepieces in binoculars or other optical instruments.
  - (8) Uranium contained in detector heads for use in fire detection units, provided that each detector head contains not more than 0.005 microcurie of uranium.
  - (9) Thorium contained in any finished aircraft engine part containing nickel-thoria alloy, provided that:

1. The thorium is dispersed in the nickel-thoria alloy in the form of finely divided thoria (thorium dioxide), and
2. The thorium content in the nickel-thoria alloy does not exceed 4 percent by weight.
- d.* The exemptions in 39.4(2) do not authorize the manufacture of any of the products described.
- e.* The requirements specified in 39.4(2) “*c*”(5)“2” and “3” need not be met by counterweights manufactured prior to December 31, 1969, provided that such counterweights are impressed with the legend, “CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL—URANIUM,” as previously required by the rules.

**39.4(3)** *Radioactive material other than source material.*

*a.* Exempt concentrations.

(1) Except as provided in 39.4(3)“*a*”(2), any person is exempt from this chapter to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns or acquires products containing radioactive material introduced in concentrations not in excess of those listed in Appendix A of this chapter.

(2) No person may introduce radioactive material into a product or material knowing or having reason to believe that it will be transferred to persons exempt under 39.4(3)“*a*”(1) or equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, any agreement state or licensing state, except in accordance with a specific license issued pursuant to 39.4(29) or the general license provided in 39.4(90).

(3) An exemption is granted to persons who receive, possess, use, process, transfer, distribute, and dispose of materials containing or contaminated at concentrations less than 20 picocuries per gram of radium.

(4) This rule shall not be deemed to authorize the import of radioactive material or products containing radioactive material.

(5) A manufacturer, processor, or producer of a product or material in an agreement state is exempt from the requirements for a license and from these rules to the extent that the manufacturer, processor, or producer transfers radioactive material contained in a product or material in concentrations not in excess of the requirements in Appendix A of this chapter and introduced into the product or material by a licensee holding a specific license issued by an agreement state or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission expressly authorizing such introduction. This exemption does not apply to the transfer of radioactive material contained in any food, beverage, cosmetic, drug, or other commodity or product designed for ingestion or inhalation by, or application to, a human being.

*b.* Exempt quantities.

(1) Except as provided in 39.4(3)“*b*”(3) and (4), any person is exempt from these rules to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns, or acquires radioactive material in individual quantities, each of which does not exceed the applicable quantity set forth in Appendix B of this chapter.

(2) Any person who possesses radioactive material received or acquired under the general license issued for manufacture of devices and equipment under special license from NRC is exempt from the requirements for a license set forth in this chapter to the extent that such person possesses, uses, transfers or owns such radioactive material. Such exemption does not apply for radium-226.

(3) This paragraph (39.4(3)“*b*”) does not authorize for purposes of commercial distribution the production, packaging or repackaging of radioactive material for purposes of commercial distribution, or the incorporation of radioactive material into products intended for commercial distribution.

(4) No person may, for purposes of commercial distribution, transfer radioactive material in the individual quantities set forth in Appendix B of this chapter, knowing or having reason to believe that such quantities of radioactive material will be transferred to persons exempt under 39.4(3) or equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, any agreement state or licensing state, except in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to Section 32.18 of 10 CFR 32 or by the agency pursuant to 39.4(29)“*b*,” which license states that the radioactive material may be transferred by the licensee to persons exempt under 39.4(3)“*b*” or the equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or licensing state. Authority to transfer possession or control by the manufacturer, processor, or producer of any equipment, device, commodity, or other product containing by-product material whose subsequent

possession, use, transfer, and disposal by all other persons are exempted from regulatory requirements may be obtained only from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.

c. Exempt items.

(1) Certain items containing radioactive material. Except for persons who apply radioactive material to, or persons who incorporate radioactive material into, the following products, or persons who initially transfer for sale or distribution the following products containing radioactive material, any person is exempt from these rules to the extent that the person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns, or acquires the following products:

1. Timepieces or hands or dials containing not more than the following specified quantities of radioactive material and not exceeding the following specified radiation dose rate:

- 25 millicuries (925 MBq) of tritium per timepiece;
- 5 millicuries (185 MBq) of tritium per hand;
- 15 millicuries (555 MBq) of tritium per dial (bezels when used shall be considered as part of the dial);
- 100 microcuries (3.7 MBq) of promethium-147 per watch or 200 microcuries (7.4 MBq) of promethium-147 per any other timepiece;
- 20 microcuries (0.74 MBq) of promethium-147 per watch hand or 40 microcuries (1.48 MBq) of promethium-147 per other timepiece hand;
- 60 microcuries (2.22 MBq) of promethium-147 per watch dial or 120 microcuries (4.44 MBq) of promethium-147 per other timepiece dial (bezels when used shall be considered as part of the dial).

2. The radiation dose rate from hands and dials containing promethium-147 will not exceed, when measured through 50 milligrams per square centimeter of absorber:

- For wrist watches, 0.1 millirad (1  $\mu$ Gy) per hour at 10 centimeters from any surface.
- For pocket watches, 0.1 millirad (1  $\mu$ Gy) per hour at 1 centimeter from any surface.
- For any other timepiece, 0.2 millirad (2  $\mu$ Gy) per hour at 10 centimeters from any surface.
- One microcurie (37 kBq) of radium-226 per timepiece in timepieces acquired prior to the effective date of this rule.

3. Lock illuminators containing not more than 15 millicuries (555 MBq) of tritium or not more than 2 millicuries (74 MBq) of promethium-147 installed in automobile locks. The radiation dose rate from each lock illuminator containing promethium-147 will not exceed 1 millirad (10  $\mu$ Gy) per hour at 1 centimeter from any surface when measured through 50 milligrams per square centimeter of absorber.

4. Precision balances containing not more than 1 millicurie (37 MBq) of tritium per balance or not more than 0.5 millicurie (18.5 MBq) of tritium per balance part.

5. Automobile shift quadrants containing not more than 25 millicuries (925 MBq) of tritium.

6. Marine compasses containing not more than 750 millicuries (27.8 GBq) of tritium gas and other marine navigational instruments containing not more than 250 millicuries (9.25 GBq) of tritium gas.

7. Thermostat dials and pointers containing not more than 25 millicuries (925 MBq) of tritium per thermostat.

8. Electron tubes, provided that each tube does not contain more than one of the following specified quantities of radioactive material:

- 150 millicuries (5.55 GBq) of tritium per microwave receiver protector tube or 10 millicuries (370 MBq) of tritium per any other electron tube;
- 1 microcurie (37 kBq) of cobalt-60;
- 5 microcuries (185 kBq) of nickel-63;
- 30 microcuries (1.11 MBq) of krypton-85;
- 5 microcuries (185 kBq) of cesium-137; and
- 30 microcuries (1.11 MBq) of promethium-147.

And provided further, that the radiation dose rate from each electron tube containing radioactive material will not exceed 1 millirad (10  $\mu$ Gy) per hour at 1 centimeter from any surface when measured through 7 milligrams per square centimeter of absorber. For purposes of 39.4(3) "c"(1)"8," "electron tubes" include spark gap tubes, power tubes, gas tubes including glow lamps, receiving tubes, microwave tubes,



indicator tubes, pick-up tubes, radiation detection tubes, and any other completely sealed tube that is designed to conduct or control electrical currents.

9. Ionizing radiation measuring instruments, for purposes of internal calibration or standardization, containing one or more sources of radioactive material, provided that:

- Each source contains no more than one exempt quantity set forth in Appendix B of this chapter;
- Each device contains no more than ten exempt quantities. For purposes of this requirement, a device's source(s) may contain either one type of or different types of radionuclides, and an individual exempt quantity may be composed of fractional parts of one or more of the exempt quantities in Appendix B of this chapter, provided that the sum of such fractions shall not exceed unity; or
- For americium-241, 0.05 microcurie (1.85 kBq) is considered an exempt quantity under 39.4(3) "c"(1)"9."

10. Spark gap irradiators containing not more than 1 microcurie (37 kBq) of cobalt-60 per spark gap irradiator for use in electrically ignited fuel oil burners having a firing rate of at least 3 gallons (11.4 l) per hour.

(2) Self-luminous products containing radioactive material.

1. Tritium, krypton-85, or promethium-147. Except for persons who manufacture, process, produce, or initially transfer for sale or distribution self-luminous products containing tritium, krypton-85, or promethium-147, any person is exempt from these rules to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns, or acquires tritium, krypton-85 or promethium-147 in self-luminous products manufactured, processed, produced, imported, or transferred in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to Section 32.22 of 10 CFR Part 32, which license authorizes the initial transfer of the product for use under these rules. Any person who desires to manufacture, process, or produce self-luminous products containing tritium, krypton-85, or promethium-147, or to transfer such products for use according to this paragraph, shall apply for a license which states that the product may be transferred by the licensee to persons exempt from this paragraph. The exemption in 39.4(3) "c"(2) does not apply to tritium, krypton-85, or promethium-147 used in products primarily for frivolous purposes or in toys or adornments.

2. Radium-226. Any person is exempt from these rules to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, or owns articles containing less than 0.1 microcurie (3.7 kBq) of radium-226 which were acquired prior to the effective date of these rules.

(3) Gas and aerosol detectors containing radioactive material.

1. Except for persons who manufacture, process, produce, or initially transfer for sale or distribution gas and aerosol detectors containing radioactive material, any person is exempt from 641—Chapters 38, 39, 40, and 41 to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns, or acquires radioactive material in gas and aerosol detectors designed to protect life or property from fires and airborne hazards and manufactured, processed, produced, or initially transferred in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to Section 32.27 of 10 CFR Part 32; or a licensing state pursuant to 39.4(29) "c," which authorizes the initial transfer of the product for use under this rule.

2. Gas and aerosol detectors previously manufactured and distributed to general licensees in accordance with a specific license issued by an agreement state shall be considered exempt under 39.4(3) "c"(3)"1," provided that the device is labeled in accordance with the specific license authorizing distribution of the generally licensed device, and provided further that they meet the requirements of 39.4(29) "c."

3. Gas and aerosol detectors containing NARM previously manufactured and distributed in accordance with a specific license issued by a licensing state shall be considered exempt under 39.4(3) "c"(3)"1," provided that the device is labeled in accordance with the specific license authorizing distribution, and provided further that they meet the requirements of 39.4(29) "c."

4. Any person who desires to manufacture, process, or produce gas and aerosol detectors containing radioactive material, or to initially transfer such products for use pursuant to 39.4(3) "c"(3)"1," shall apply for a license which states that the product may be initially transferred

by the licensee to persons exempt from these rules, the regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or equivalent rules of an agreement state.

(4) Resins containing scandium-46 and designed for sand consolidation in oil wells. Any person is exempt from these rules to the extent that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns or acquires synthetic plastic resins containing scandium-46 which are designed for sand consolidation in oil wells. Such resins shall have been manufactured or initially transferred for sale or distribution in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or shall have been manufactured in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued by the agency or any agreement state to the manufacturer of such resins pursuant to licensing requirements equivalent to those in Sections 32.16 and 32.17 of 10 CFR Part 32 of the regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. This exemption does not authorize the manufacture or initial transfer for sale or distribution of any resins containing scandium-46.

(5) Radioactive drug: capsules containing carbon-14 urea for “in vivo” diagnostic use for humans.

1. Except as provided in paragraphs “b” and “c” of this subrule, any person is exempt from the requirements for a license set forth in this chapter and in 641—41.2(136C) provided that such person receives, possesses, uses, transfers, owns, or acquires capsules containing 37 kBq 1 $\mu$ Ci carbon-14 urea (allowing for nominal variation that may occur during the manufacturing process) each, for “in vivo” diagnostic use for humans.

2. Any person who desires to use the capsules for research involving human subjects shall apply for and receive a specific license pursuant to 641—41.2(136C).

3. Any person who desires to manufacture, prepare, process, produce, package, repackage, or transfer for commercial distribution such capsules shall apply for and receive a specific license pursuant to 39.4(20) of this rule.

4. Nothing in this subrule relieves persons from complying with applicable FDA or other federal or state requirements governing receipt, administration, and use of drugs.

**39.4(4) to 39.4(19)** Reserved.

**39.4(20)** *Types of licenses.* There are two types of licenses for radioactive materials: general and specific.

a. General licenses provided in this chapter are effective without the filing of applications with the agency or the issuance of licensing documents to the particular persons, although the filing of a certificate or registration application with the agency may be required by the particular general license. The general licensee is subject to all other applicable portions of these rules and any limitations of the general license.

b. Specific licenses require the submission of an application to the agency and the issuance of a licensing document by the agency. The licensee is subject to all applicable portions of these rules as well as any limitations specified in the licensing document.

c. All licensees and registrants must submit the appropriate fee in 641—subrule 38.8(2).

**39.4(21)** *General licenses—source material.*

a. A general license is hereby issued authorizing commercial and industrial firms, research, educational and medical institutions, and state and local government agencies to use and transfer not more than 15 pounds (6.82 kg) of source material at any one time for research, development, educational, commercial, or operational purposes. A person authorized to use or transfer source material, pursuant to this general license, may not receive more than a total of 150 pounds (68.2 kg) of source material in any one calendar year.

b. Persons who receive, possess, use, or transfer source material pursuant to the general license issued in 39.4(21) “a” are exempt from the provisions of 641—Chapter 40 to the extent that such receipt, possession, use, or transfer is within the terms of such general license; provided, however, that this exemption shall not be deemed to apply to any such person who is also in possession of source material under a specific license issued pursuant to this chapter.

c. Persons who receive, possess, use, or transfer source material pursuant to the general license in 39.4(21) “a” are prohibited from administering source material, or the radiation therefrom, either externally or internally, to human beings except as may be authorized by the agency in a specific license.

d. A general license is hereby issued authorizing the receipt of title to source material without regard to quantity. This general license does not authorize any person to receive, possess, use, or transfer source material.

e. Depleted uranium in industrial products and devices.

(1) A general license is hereby issued to receive, acquire, possess, use, or transfer, in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(21)“e”(2), (3), (4), and (5), depleted uranium contained in industrial products or devices for the purpose of providing a concentrated mass in a small volume of the product or device.

(2) The general license in 39.4(21)“e”(1) applies only to industrial products or devices which have been manufactured either in accordance with a specific license issued to the manufacturer of the products or devices pursuant to 39.4(29)“m” or in accordance with a specific license issued to the manufacturer by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state which authorizes manufacture of the products or devices for distribution to persons generally licensed by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state.

(3) Persons who receive, acquire, possess, or use depleted uranium pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(21)“e”(1) shall file Agency Form “Registration Certificate—Use of Depleted Uranium Under General License” with the agency. The form shall be submitted within 30 days after the first receipt or acquisition of such depleted uranium. The general licensee shall furnish on the Agency Form “Registration Certificate—Use of Depleted Uranium Under a General License” the following information and such other information as may be required by that form:

- Name and address of the general licensee;
- A statement that the general licensee has developed and will maintain procedures designed to establish physical control over the depleted uranium described in 39.4(21)“e”(1) and designed to prevent transfer of such depleted uranium in any form, including metal scrap, to persons not authorized to receive the depleted uranium; and
- Name and title, address, and telephone number of the individual duly authorized to act for and on behalf of the general licensee in supervising the procedures identified in 39.4(21)“e”(3)“1.”

2. The general licensee possessing or using depleted uranium under the general license established by 39.4(21)“e”(1) shall report in writing to the agency any changes in information furnished by the general licensee in Agency Form “Registration Certificate—Use of Depleted Uranium Under General License.” The report shall be submitted within 30 days after the effective date of such change.

(4) A person who receives, acquires, possesses, or uses depleted uranium pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(21)“e”(1):

1. Shall not introduce such depleted uranium, in any form, into a chemical, physical, or metallurgical treatment or process, except a treatment or process for repair or restoration of any plating or other covering of the depleted uranium;

2. Shall not abandon such depleted uranium;

3. Shall transfer or dispose of such depleted uranium only by transfer in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(41). In the case where the transferee receives the depleted uranium pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(21)“e”(1), the transferor shall furnish the transferee a copy of 641—Chapter 39 and a copy of Agency Form “Registration Certificate—Use of Depleted Uranium Under General License.” In the case where the transferee receives the depleted uranium pursuant to a general license contained in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s or agreement state’s regulation equivalent to 39.4(21)“e”(1), the transferor shall furnish the transferee a copy of 641—Chapter 39 and a copy of the Agency Form “Registration Certificate—Use of Depleted Uranium Under General License” accompanied by a note explaining that use of the product or device is regulated by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or agreement state under requirements substantially the same as those in 641—Chapters 38, 39, 40, 41 and 45;

4. Within 30 days of any transfer, shall report in writing to the agency the name and address of the person receiving the depleted uranium pursuant to such transfer; and

5. Shall not export such depleted uranium except in accordance with a license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to 10 CFR Part 110.

(5) Any person receiving, acquiring, possessing, using, or transferring depleted uranium pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(21)“e”(1) is exempt from the requirements of 641—Chapter 40 with respect to the depleted uranium covered by that general license.

**39.4(22) General licenses—radioactive material other than source material.** This subrule establishes general licenses for the possession and use of radioactive material and a general license for ownership of radioactive material. (Note: Different general licenses are issued in this subrule, each of which has its own specific conditions and requirements.)

*a.* Certain devices and equipment. A general license is hereby issued to transfer, receive, acquire, own, possess, and use radioactive material incorporated in the following devices or equipment which have been manufactured, tested and labeled by the manufacturer in accordance with a specific license issued to the manufacturer by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for use pursuant to Section 31.3 of 10 CFR Part 31. This general license is subject to the provisions of 641—38.4(136C) to 641—38.5(136C), 39.4(3)“a”(2), 39.4(32), 39.4(41), 39.4(51), 641—39.5(136C), and 641—Chapter 40. Attention is directed particularly to the provisions of 641—Chapter 40, which relate to the labeling of containers.

(1) Static elimination device. Devices designed for use as static eliminators which contain, as a sealed source or sources, radioactive material consisting of a total of not more than 500 microcuries (18.5 MBq) of polonium-210 per device.

(2) Ion generating tube. Devices designed for ionization of air which contain, as a sealed source or sources, radioactive material consisting of a total of not more than 500 microcuries (18.5 MBq) of polonium-210 per device or a total of not more than 50 millicuries (1.85 GBq) of hydrogen-3 (tritium) per device.

*b.* Reserved.

*c.* Reserved.

*d.* Certain detecting, measuring, gauging, or controlling devices and certain devices for producing light or an ionized atmosphere.

(1) A general license is hereby issued to commercial and industrial firms and research, educational and medical institutions, individuals in the conduct of their business, and federal, state or local government agencies to acquire, receive, possess, use or transfer, in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(22)“d”(2), (3), and (4), radioactive material contained in devices designed and manufactured for the purpose of detecting, measuring, gauging or controlling thickness, density, level, interface location, radiation, leakage, or qualitative or quantitative chemical composition, or for producing light or an ionized atmosphere.

(2) The general license in 39.4(22)“d”(1) applies only to radioactive material contained in devices which have been manufactured or initially transferred and labeled in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license by this agency issued under 39.4(29)“d”; or an equivalent specific license issued by the NRC or an agreement state or a licensing state, which authorizes distribution of the devices. The devices must have been received from one of the specific licensees described in 39.4(22)“d”(2) or through a transfer made under 39.4(22)“d”(3).

(3) Any person who acquires, receives, possesses, uses or transfers radioactive material in a device pursuant to the general license in 39.4(22)“d”(1):

1. Shall ensure that all labels affixed to the device at the time of receipt and bearing a statement that removal of the label is prohibited are maintained thereon and shall comply with all instructions and precautions provided by such labels;

2. Shall ensure that the device is tested for leakage of radioactive material and proper operation of the on-off mechanism and indicator, if any, at no longer than six-month intervals or at such other intervals as are specified in the label; However,

- Devices containing only krypton need not be tested for leakage of radioactive material; and
- Devices containing only tritium or not more than 100 microcuries of other beta- or gamma-emitting material or both or 10 microcuries of alpha-emitting material and devices held in storage in the original shipping container prior to initial installation need not be tested for any purpose;

3. Shall ensure that the test required by 39.4(22)“d”(3) and other testing, installation, servicing, and removal from installation involving the radioactive material, its shielding or containment are performed:

- In accordance with the instructions provided by the labels; or
- By a person holding a specific license pursuant to 641—39.4(136C), the NRC, an agreement state or a licensing state to perform such activities;

4. Shall maintain records showing compliance with the requirements of 39.4(22)“d”(3). The records must show the results of tests. The records also must show the dates of performance of, and the names of persons performing, testing, installing, servicing, and removing from the installation radioactive material and its shielding or containment. The licensee shall retain these records as follows:

- Each record of a test for leakage or radioactive material required by 39.4(22)“d”(3) must be retained for three years after the next required leak test is performed or until the sealed source is transferred or disposed of;
- Each record of a test of the on-off mechanism and indicator required by 39.4(22)“d”(3) must be retained for three years after the next required test of the on-off mechanism and indicator is performed or until the sealed source is transferred or disposed of;
- Each record that is required by 39.4(22)“d”(3) must be retained for three years from the date of the recorded event or until the device is transferred or disposed of;

5. Shall immediately suspend operation of the device if there is a failure of, or damage to, or any indication of a possible failure of or damage to, the shielding of the radioactive material or the on-off mechanism or indicator, or upon the detection of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) or more removable radioactive material. The device may not be operated until it has been repaired by the manufacturer or other person holding a specific license to repair such devices that was issued by this agency, the NRC, an agreement state or licensing state. The device and any radioactive material from the device may only be disposed of by transfer to a person authorized by a specific license to receive the radioactive material in the device or as otherwise approved by this agency. A report containing a brief description of the event and the remedial action taken, and in the case of detection of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) or more removable radioactive material or failure of or damage to a source likely to result in contamination of the premises or the environs, a plan for ensuring that the premises and environs are acceptable for unrestricted use, must be furnished to the agency within 30 days. Under these circumstances, the criteria set out in 641—40.29(136C) may be applicable, as determined by the agency on a case-by-case basis;

6. Shall not abandon the device containing radioactive material;

7. Shall not export the device containing radioactive material except in accordance with 10 CFR Part 110;

8. Shall transfer or dispose of the device containing radioactive material only by export as provided by 39.4(22)“d”(3)“7,” by transfer to another general licensee as authorized in 39.4(22)“d”(3)“9,” to a person authorized to receive the device by a specific license issued by the agency, the NRC, an agreement state or a licensing state whose specific license authorizes the person to receive the device or which authorizes waste collection, or as otherwise approved under 39.4(22)“d”(3):

- Shall furnish a report to this agency within 30 days after the transfer of a device to a specific licensee or export. The report must contain the identification of the device by manufacturer’s (or initial transferor’s) name, model number, and serial number; the name, address and license number of the person receiving the device (license number not applicable if exported); and the date of the transfer;

- Shall obtain written agency approval before transferring the device to any other specific licensee not specifically identified in 39.4(22)“d”;

9. Shall transfer the device to another general licensee only if:

- The device remains in use at a particular location. In this case, the transferor shall give the transferee a copy of these rules and any safety documents identified in the label of the device. Within 30 days of the transfer, the transferor shall report to this agency the manufacturer’s (or initial transferor’s) name; the model number and the serial number of the device transferred; the transferee’s name and mailing address for the location of use; and the name, title, and telephone number of the responsible

individual identified by the transferee in accordance with 39.4(22) “d”(3)“12” to have knowledge of and authority to take actions to ensure compliance with the appropriate rules and requirements; or

- The device is held in storage, by an intermediate person, in the original shipping container at its intended location of use prior to initial use by a general licensee;

10. Shall comply with the provisions of 641—40.95(136C) and 641—40.96(136C), but shall be exempt from the other requirements of 641—Chapter 40;

11. Shall respond to written requests from this agency to provide information relating to the general license within 30 calendar days of the date of the request, or other item specified in the request. If the general licensee cannot provide the requested information within the allotted time, it shall, within that same time period, request a longer period to supply the information by submitting a letter to the agency and providing written justification as to why it cannot comply;

12. Shall appoint an individual responsible for having knowledge of the appropriate rules and requirements and the authority for taking required actions to comply with appropriate rules and requirements. The general licensee, through this individual, shall ensure the day-to-day compliance with appropriate rules and requirements. This appointment does not relieve the general licensee of any of its responsibility in this regard;

13. Shall register as follows:

- Shall register devices as approved in the Sealed Source Device Registry. Each address for a location of use, as described in 39.4(22) “d”(3)“13,” represents a separate general licensee and requires a separate registration and fee;

- If in possession of devices meeting the criteria of 39.4(22) “d”(3)“13,” shall register these devices annually with the agency and shall pay the fee required in 641—paragraph 38.8(2)“c.” Registration must be done by verifying, correcting, and adding to the information provided in a request for registration received from the agency. The registration information must be submitted 30 days from the date of the request for registration or as otherwise indicated in the request. In addition, a general licensee holding devices meeting the criteria of 39.4(22) “d”(3)“13” is subject to the bankruptcy notification requirement of 39.4(32) “e”;

- In registering devices, the general licensee shall furnish the following information and any other information specifically requested by the agency:

- Name and mailing address of the general licensee;

- Information about each device: the manufacturer (or initial transferor), model number, serial number, the radioisotope and activity (as indicated on the label);

- Name, title, and telephone number of the responsible person designated as a representative of the general licensee;

- Address or location at which the device(s) is both used and stored. For portable devices, the address of the primary place of storage;

- Certification by the responsible representative of the general licensee that the information concerning the device(s) has been verified through a physical inventory and check of label information.

- Certification by the responsible representative of the general licensee that the licensee is aware of the requirements of the general license.

- Persons generally licensed by this agency under 39.4(22) “d”(3)“13” or an agreement state are not subject to registration requirements of 39.4(22) “d”(3)“13” if the devices are used in areas subject to this agency’s jurisdiction for a period of less than 180 days in any calendar year. The agency will not request registration information from such licensees;

14. Shall report changes to the mailing address for the location of use (including change in name of general licensee) to the agency within 30 days of the effective date of the change. For a portable device, a report of address change is only required for a change in the device’s primary place of storage; and

15. May not hold devices that are not in use for longer than two years. If devices with shutters are not being used, the shutter must be locked in the closed position. The testing required by 39.4(22) “d” need not be performed during the period of storage only. However, when devices are put back into service or transferred to another person, and have not been tested within the required test interval, they must be tested for leakage before use or transfer and the shutter tested before use. Devices kept in standby for

future use are excluded from the two-year time limit if the general licensee performs quarterly physical inventories of these devices while they are in standby.

(4) The general license in 39.4(22)“d”(1) does not authorize the manufacture or import of devices containing radioactive material.

(5) A general license to install devices generally licensed in 39.4(22)“d.” Any person who holds a specific license issued by an agreement state authorizing the holder to manufacture, install, or service a device described in 39.4(22)“d” within such agreement state is hereby granted a general license to install and service such device in any non-agreement state and a general license to install and service such device in offshore waters, as defined in 641—45.1(136C), provided that:

1. The device has been manufactured, labeled, installed, and serviced in accordance with the applicable provision of the specific license issued to such person by the agreement state, and

2. Such person ensures that any labels required to be affixed to the device under regulations of the agreement state which licensed manufacture of the device bear a statement that removal of the label is prohibited.

*e.* Luminous safety devices for aircraft.

(1) A general license is hereby issued to own, receive, acquire, possess, and use tritium or promethium-147 contained in luminous safety devices for use in aircraft, provided:

1. Each device contains not more than 10 curies (370 GBq) of tritium or 300 millicuries (11.1 GBq) of promethium-147; and

2. Each device has been manufactured, assembled or imported in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or each device has been manufactured or assembled in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued by the agency or any agreement state to the manufacturer or assembler of such device pursuant to licensing requirements equivalent to those in Section 32.53 of 10 CFR Part 32.

(2) Persons who own, receive, acquire, possess, or use luminous safety devices pursuant to the general license in 39.4(22)“e”(1) are exempt from the requirements of 641—Chapter 40 except that they shall comply with the provisions of 641—40.95(136C) and 40.96(136C).

(3) This general license does not authorize the manufacture, assembly, or repair of luminous safety devices containing tritium or promethium-147.

(4) This general license does not authorize the ownership, receipt, acquisition, possession or use of promethium-147 contained in instrument dials.

(5) This general license is subject to the provisions of 641—38.4(136C) to 641—38.5(136C), 39.4(32), 39.4(41), 39.4(51), and 641—39.5(136C).

*f.* Ownership of radioactive material. A general license is hereby issued to own radioactive material without regard to quantity. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, this general license does not authorize the manufacture, production, transfer, receipt, possession or use of radioactive material.

*g.* Calibration and reference sources.

(1) A general license is hereby issued to those persons listed below to own, receive, acquire, possess, use, and transfer, in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(22)“g”(4) and (5), americium-241 in the form of calibration or reference sources:

1. Any person who holds a specific license issued by the agency which authorizes the person to receive, possess, use, and transfer radioactive material; and

2. Any person who holds a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission which authorizes the person to receive, possess, use, and transfer special nuclear material.

(2) A general license is hereby issued to own, receive, possess, use, and transfer plutonium in the form of calibration or reference sources in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(22)“g”(4) and (5) to any person who holds a specific license issued by the agency which authorizes the person to receive, possess, use, and transfer radioactive material.

(3) A general license is hereby issued to own, receive, possess, use, and transfer radium-226 in the form of calibration or reference sources in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(22)“g”(4) and (5) to

any person who holds a specific license issued by the agency which authorizes the person to receive, possess, use, and transfer radioactive material.

(4) The general licenses in 39.4(22)“g”(1), (2), and (3) apply only to calibration or reference sources which have been manufactured in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued to the manufacturer or importer of the sources by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to Section 32.57 of 10 CFR Part 32 or Section 70.39 of 10 CFR Part 70 or which have been manufactured in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued to the manufacturer by the agency, any agreement state or licensing state pursuant to licensing requirements equivalent to those contained in Section 32.57 of 10 CFR Part 32 or Section 70.39 of 10 CFR Part 70.

(5) The general licenses provided in 39.4(22)“g”(1), (2), and (3) are subject to the provisions of 641—38.4(136C) to 641—38.5(136C), 39.4(32), 39.4(41), 39.4(51), 641—39.5(136C), and 641—Chapter 40. In addition, persons who own, receive, acquire, possess, use, or transfer one or more calibration or reference sources pursuant to these general licenses:

1. Shall not possess at any one time, at any one location of storage or use, more than 5 microcuries (185 kBq) of americium-241, 5 microcuries (185 kBq) of plutonium, or 5 microcuries (185 kBq) of radium-226 in such sources;

2. Shall not receive, possess, use, or transfer such source unless the source, or the storage container, bears a label which includes one of the following statements, as appropriate, or a substantially similar statement which contains the information called for in one of the following statements, as appropriate:

- The receipt, possession, use and transfer of this source, Model \_\_\_\_\_, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, are subject to a general license and the regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or of a state with which the Commission has entered into an agreement for the exercise of regulatory authority. Do not remove this label.

CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL—THIS SOURCE CONTAINS (AMERICIUM-241).  
(PLUTONIUM) (showing only the name of the appropriate material) DO NOT TOUCH  
RADIOACTIVE PORTION OF THIS SOURCE.

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Name of manufacturer or importer

OR

- The receipt, possession, use and transfer of this source, Model \_\_\_\_\_, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, are subject to a general license and the regulations of a licensing state. Do not remove this label.

CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL—THIS SOURCE CONTAINS RADIUM-226.  
DO NOT TOUCH RADIOACTIVE PORTION OF THIS SOURCE.

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Name of manufacturer or importer

3. Shall not transfer, abandon, or dispose of such source except by transfer to a person authorized by a license from the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state or a licensing state to receive the source;

4. Shall store such source, except when the source is being used, in a closed container adequately designed and constructed to contain americium-241, plutonium, or radium-226 which might otherwise escape during storage; and

5. Shall not use such source for any purpose other than the calibration of radiation detectors or the standardization of other sources.

(6) These general licenses do not authorize the manufacture of calibration or reference sources containing americium-241, plutonium, or radium-226.

*h.* Reserved.

*i.* General license for use of radioactive material for certain in vitro clinical or laboratory testing. The New Drug Provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act also govern the availability and use of any specific diagnostic drugs in interstate commerce.



(1) A general license is hereby issued to any physician, veterinarian, clinical laboratory or hospital to receive, acquire, possess, transfer or use, for any of the following stated tests, in accordance with the provisions of 39.4(22)“i”(2), (3), (4), (5), and (6), the following radioactive materials in prepackaged units for use in in vitro clinical or laboratory tests not involving internal or external administration of radioactive material, or the radiation therefrom, to human beings or animals:

1. Carbon-14, in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
2. Cobalt-57, in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
3. Hydrogen-3 (tritium), in units not exceeding 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) each.
4. Iodine-125, in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
5. Mock iodine-125 reference or calibration sources, in units not exceeding 0.05 microcurie (1.85 kBq) of iodine-129 and 0.005 microcurie (1.85 Bq) of americium-241 each.
6. Iodine-131, in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
7. Iron-59, in units not exceeding 20 microcuries (740 kBq) each.
8. Selenium-75, in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.

(2) No person shall receive, acquire, possess, use or transfer radioactive material pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(22)“i”(1) until the person has filed an Agency Form “Certificate—In Vitro Testing with Radioactive Material Under General License” with the agency and received from the agency a validated copy of the form with certification number assigned. The physician, veterinarian, clinical laboratory or hospital shall furnish the following information on the form and such other information as may be required by the form:

1. Name and address of the physician, veterinarian, clinical laboratory or hospital;
2. The location of use; and
3. A statement that the physician, veterinarian, clinical laboratory or hospital has appropriate radiation measuring instruments to carry out in vitro clinical or laboratory tests with radioactive material as authorized under the general license in 39.4(22)“i”(1) and that such tests will be performed only by personnel competent in the use of such instruments and in the handling of the radioactive material.

(3) A person who receives, acquires, possesses or uses radioactive material pursuant to the general license established by 39.4(22)“i”(1) shall comply with the following:

1. The general licensee shall not possess at any one time, pursuant to the general license in 39.4(22)“i”(1), at any one location of storage or use, a total amount of iodine-125, iodine-131, selenium-75, iron-59, or cobalt-57 in excess of 200 microcuries (7.4 MBq).
2. The general licensee shall store the radioactive material, until used, in the original shipping container or in a container providing equivalent radiation protection.
3. The general licensee shall use the radioactive material only for the uses authorized by 39.4(22)“i”(1).
4. The general licensee shall not transfer the radioactive material to a person who is not authorized to receive it pursuant to a license issued by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, any agreement state or licensing state, nor transfer the radioactive material in any manner other than in the unopened, labeled shipping container as received from the supplier.
5. The general licensee shall dispose of the mock iodine-125 reference or calibration sources described in 39.4(22)“i”(1)“8” as required by 641—subrule 40.70(1).

(4) The general licensee shall not receive, acquire, possess, or use radioactive material pursuant to 39.4(22)“i”(1):

1. Except as prepackaged units which are labeled in accordance with the provisions of an applicable specific license issued pursuant to 39.4(29)“h” or in accordance with the provisions of a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, any agreement state or licensing state which authorizes the manufacture and distribution of iodine-125, iodine-131, carbon-14, hydrogen-3 (tritium), iron-59, selenium-75, cobalt-57, or mock iodine-125 to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22)“i” or its equivalent, and

2. Unless one of the following statements, as appropriate, or a substantially similar statement which contains the information called for in one of the following statements, appears on a label affixed to each prepackaged unit or appears in a leaflet or brochure which accompanies the package:

- This radioactive material shall be received, acquired, possessed, and used only by physicians, veterinarians, clinical laboratories or hospitals and only for in vitro clinical or laboratory tests not involving internal or external administration of the material, or the radiation therefrom, to human beings or animals. Its receipt, acquisition, possession, use, and transfer are subject to the regulations and a general license of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or of a state with which the Commission has entered into an agreement for the exercise of regulatory authority.

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Name of manufacturer

- This radioactive material shall be received, acquired, possessed, and used only by physicians, veterinarians, clinical laboratories or hospitals and only for in vitro clinical or laboratory tests not involving internal or external administration of the material, or the radiation therefrom, to human beings or animals. Its receipt, acquisition, possession, use and transfer are subject to the regulations and a general license of a licensing state.

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Name of manufacturer

(5) The physician, veterinarian, clinical laboratory or hospital possessing or using radioactive material under the general license of 39.4(22)“i”(1) shall report in writing to the agency any changes in the information furnished in the “Certificate—In Vitro Testing with Radioactive Material Under General License,” Agency Form V. The report shall be furnished within 30 days after the effective date of such change.

(6) Any person using radioactive material pursuant to the general license of 39.4(22)“i”(1) is exempt from the requirements of 641—Chapter 40 with respect to radioactive material covered by that general license, except that such persons using the mock iodine-125 described in 39.4(22)“i”(1)“8” shall comply with the provisions of 641—subrule 40.70(1) and rules 40.95(136C) and 40.96(136C).

*j.* Ice detection devices.

(1) A general license is hereby issued to own, receive, acquire, possess, use, and transfer strontium-90 contained in ice detection devices, provided each device contains not more than 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) of strontium-90 and each device has been manufactured or imported in accordance with a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or each device has been manufactured in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued by the agency or an agreement state to the manufacturer of such device pursuant to licensing requirements equivalent to those in Section 32.61 of 10 CFR Part 32.

(2) Persons who own, receive, acquire, possess, use, or transfer strontium-90 contained in ice detection devices pursuant to the general license in 39.4(22)“j”(1):

1. Shall, upon occurrence of visually observable damage such as a bend or crack or discoloration from overheating to the device, discontinue use of the device until it has been inspected, tested for leakage and repaired by a person holding a specific license from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state to manufacture or service such devices; or shall dispose of the device pursuant to the provisions of 641—subrule 40.70(1);

2. Shall ensure that all labels affixed to the device at the time of receipt, and which bear a statement which prohibits removal of the labels, are maintained thereon; and

3. Are exempt from the requirements of 641—Chapter 40 except that such persons shall comply with the provisions of 641—subrule 40.70(1), and rules 40.95(136C) and 40.96(136C).

(3) This general license does not authorize the manufacture, assembly, disassembly or repair of strontium-90 in ice detection devices.

(4) This general license is subject to the provisions of 641—38.4(136C) to 641—38.5(136C), 39.4(32), 39.4(41), 39.4(51), and 641—39.5(136C).

**39.4(23)** Reserved.

**39.4(24) Filing application for specific licenses.**

a. Applications for specific licenses shall be filed on a form prescribed by the agency and include the fee required in 641—subrule 38.8(2).

b. The agency may at any time after the filing of the original application, and before the expiration of the license, require further statements in order to enable the agency to determine whether the application should be granted or denied or whether a license should be modified or revoked.

c. Each application shall be signed by the applicant or licensee or a person duly authorized to act for and on the applicant's or licensee's behalf.

d. An application for a license may include a request for a license authorizing one or more activities.

e. Applications and documents submitted to the agency may be made available for public inspection except that the agency may withhold any document or part thereof from public inspection if disclosure of its content is not required in the public interest and would adversely affect the interest of a person concerned.

f. (1) Each application to possess radioactive materials in unsealed form, on foils or plated sources, or sealed in glass in excess of the quantities in Appendix G of this chapter, must contain either:

1. An evaluation showing that the maximum dose to a person offsite due to a release of radioactive materials would not exceed 1 rem effective dose equivalent or 5 rems to the thyroid; or

2. An emergency plan for responding to a release of radioactive material.

(2) One or more of the following factors may be used to support an evaluation submitted under 39.4(24) "f"(1)"1" of this subrule:

1. The radioactive material is physically separated so that only a portion could be involved in an accident;

2. All or part of the radioactive material is not subject to release during an accident because of the way it is stored or packaged;

3. The release fraction in the respirable size range would be lower than the release fraction shown in Appendix G due to the chemical or physical form of the material;

4. The solubility of the radioactive material would reduce the dose received;

5. Facility design or engineered safety features in the facility would cause the release fraction to be lower than shown in Appendix G;

6. Operating restrictions or procedures would prevent a release fraction as large as that shown in Appendix G; or

7. Other factors appropriated for the specific facility.

(3) An emergency plan for responding to a release of radioactive material submitted under 39.4(24) "f"(1)"2" must include the following information:

1. Facility description. A brief description of the licensee's facility and area near the site.

2. Types of accidents. An identification of each type of radioactive materials accident for which protective actions may be needed.

3. Classification of accidents. A classification system for classifying accidents as alerts or site area emergencies.

4. Detection of accidents. Identification of the means of detecting each type of accident in a timely manner.

5. Mitigation of consequences. A brief description of the means and equipment for mitigating the consequences of each type of accident, including those provided to protect workers onsite, and a description of the program for maintaining the equipment.

6. Assessment of releases. A brief description of the methods and equipment to assess releases of radioactive materials.

7. Responsibilities. A brief description of the responsibilities of licensee personnel should an accident occur, including identification of personnel responsible for promptly notifying offsite response organizations and the agency; also, responsibilities for developing, maintaining, and updating the plan.

8. Notification and coordination. A commitment to and a brief description of the means to promptly notify offsite response organizations and request offsite assistance, including medical

assistance for the treatment of contaminated injured onsite workers when appropriate. A control point must be established. The notification and coordination must be planned so that unavailability of some equipment will not prevent the notification and coordination. The licensee shall also commit to notify the agency immediately after notification of the appropriate offsite response organizations and not later than one hour after the licensee declares an emergency.

9. Information to be communicated. A brief description of the types of information of facility status, radioactive releases, and recommended protective actions, if necessary, to be given to offsite response organizations and to the agency.

10. Training. A brief description of the frequency, performance objectives and plans for the training that the licensee will provide workers on how to respond to an emergency including any special instructions and orientation tours the licensee would offer to fire, police, medical, and other emergency personnel. The training shall familiarize personnel with site-specific emergency procedures. Also, the training shall thoroughly prepare site personnel for their responsibilities in the event of accident scenarios postulated as most probable for the specific site, including the use of team training for such scenarios.

11. Safe shutdown. A brief description of the means of restoring the facility to a safe condition after an accident.

12. Exercises. Provisions for conducting quarterly communications checks with offsite response organizations and biennial onsite exercises to test response to simulated emergencies. Quarterly communications checks with offsite response organizations must include the check and update of all necessary telephone numbers. The licensee shall invite offsite response organizations to participate in the biennial exercises. Participation of offsite response organizations in biennial exercises although recommended is not required. Exercises must use accident scenarios postulated as most probable for the specific site and the scenarios shall not be known to most exercise participants. The licensee shall critique each exercise using individuals not having direct implementation responsibility for the plan. Critiques of exercises must evaluate the appropriateness of the plan, emergency procedures, facilities, equipment, training of personnel, and overall effectiveness of the response. Deficiencies found by the critiques must be corrected.

13. Hazardous chemicals. A certification that the applicant has met its responsibilities under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986, Title III, Pub.L.No.99-499, if applicable to the applicant's activities at the proposed place of use of the radioactive material.

(4) The licensee shall allow the offsite response organizations expected to respond in case of an accident 60 days to comment on the licensee's emergency plan before submitting it to the agency. The licensee shall provide any comments received within the 60 days to the agency with the emergency plan.

**39.4(25)** *General requirements for the issuance of specific licenses.* A license application will be approved if the agency determines that:

a. The applicant is qualified by reason of training and experience to use the material in question for the purpose requested in accordance with 641—Chapters 38, 39, 40, 41 and 45 in such a manner as to minimize danger to public health and safety or property;

b. The applicant's proposed equipment, facilities, and procedures are adequate to minimize danger to public health and safety or property;

c. The issuance of the license will not be inimical to the health and safety of the public; and

d. The applicant satisfies any applicable special requirements in 39.4(26), 39.4(27), 39.4(28), 641—41.2(136C), or 641—Chapter 45.

e. In the case of an application for a license to receive and possess radioactive material for commercial waste disposal by land burial, or for the conduct of any other activity which the agency determines will significantly affect the quality of the environment, the agency, before commencement of construction of the plant or facility in which the activity will be conducted, has concluded, after weighing the environmental, economic, technical and other benefits against environmental costs and considering available alternatives, that the action called for is the issuance of the proposed license, with any appropriate conditions to protect environmental values. Commencement of construction prior to such conclusion shall be grounds for denial of a license to receive and possess radioactive material in

such plant or facility. As used in this paragraph, the term “commencement of construction” means any clearing of land, excavation, or other substantial action that would adversely affect the environment of a site. The term does not mean site exploration, necessary roads for site exploration, borings to determine foundation conditions, or other preconstruction monitoring or testing to establish background information related to the suitability of the site or the protection of environmental values.

**39.4(26) *Financial assurance and record keeping for decommissioning.***

*a.* Each applicant for a specific license authorizing the possession and use of unsealed radioactive material of half-life greater than 120 days and in quantities exceeding  $1.0E^5$  times the applicable quantities set forth in Appendix F of 641—Chapter 40 shall submit a decommissioning funding plan as described in 39.4(26) “*e.*” The decommissioning funding plan must also be submitted when a combination of isotopes is involved if  $R$  divided by  $10^5$  is greater than 1 (unity rule), where  $R$  is defined here as the sum of the ratios of the quantity of each isotope to the applicable value in Appendix F.

*b.* (1) Each holder of or applicant for a specific license authorizing possession and use of sealed sources or plated foils of half-life greater than 120 days and in quantities exceeding  $10^{12}$  times the applicable quantities set forth in 39.4(26) “*d.*” (or when a combination of isotopes is involved if  $R$ , as defined in 39.4(26) “*a.*,” divided by  $10^{12}$  is greater than 1) shall submit a decommissioning funding plan as described in 39.4(26) “*e.*”

(2) Each applicant for a specific license authorizing possession and use of radioactive material of half-life greater than 120 days and in quantities specified in 39.4(26) “*d.*” shall either:

1. Submit a decommissioning funding plan as described in 39.4(26) “*e.*”; or
2. Submit a certification that financial assurance for decommissioning has been provided in the amount prescribed by 39.4(26) “*d.*” using one of the methods described in 39.4(26) “*f.*” For an applicant, this certification may state that the appropriate assurance will be obtained after the application has been approved and the license issued but prior to the receipt of licensed material. If the applicant defers execution of the financial instrument until after the license has been issued, a signed original of the financial instrument obtained to satisfy the requirements of 39.4(26) “*f.*” must be submitted before receipt of licensed material. If the applicant does not defer execution of the financial instrument, the applicant shall submit, as part of the certification, a signed original of the financial instrument obtained to satisfy the requirements of 39.4(26) “*f.*”

*c.* (1) Each holder of a specific license issued on or after July 1, 1993, which is of a type described in 39.4(26) “*a.*” or “*b.*,” shall provide financial assurance for decommissioning in accordance with the criteria set forth in this subrule.

(2) Each holder of a specific license issued before July 1, 1993, and of a type described in 39.4(26) “*a.*,” shall submit, on or before January 1, 2007, a decommissioning funding plan or a certification of financial assurance for decommissioning in an amount at least equal to \$1,125,000 in accordance with the criteria set forth in this subrule. If the licensee submits the certification of financial assurance rather than a decommissioning funding plan at this time, the licensee shall include a decommissioning funding plan in any application for license renewal.

(3) Each holder of a specific license issued before September 30, 1992, and of a type described in 39.4(36) “*b.*,” shall submit, on or before July 1, 1993, a certificate of financial assurance for decommissioning or a decommissioning funding plan in accordance with the criteria set forth in this subrule.

(4) Any licensee who submitted an application before July 1, 2003, for renewal of license shall provide financial assurance for decommissioning in accordance with 39.4(26) “*a.*” and “*b.*”

(5) Waste collectors and waste processors must provide financial assurance in an amount based on a decommissioning funding plan as described in 39.4(26) “*e.*” The decommissioning funding plan must include the cost of disposal of the maximum amount (curies) of radioactive material permitted by license, and the cost of disposal of the maximum quantity, by volume, of radioactive material which could be present at the licensee’s facility at any time, in addition to the cost to remediate the licensee’s site to meet the license termination criteria of 641—Chapters 39 and 40.

*d.* Table of required amounts of financial assurance for decommissioning by quantity of material.

Greater than  $10^4$  but less than or equal to  $10^5$  times the applicable quantities of Appendix F of 641—Chapter 40 in unsealed form. (For a combination of isotopes, if R, as defined in 39.4(26) “a,” divided by  $10^4$  is greater than 1, but R divided by  $10^5$  is less than or equal to 1.) ..... 1,125,000

Greater than  $10^3$  but less than or equal to  $10^4$  times the applicable quantities of Appendix F of 641—Chapter 40 in unsealed form. (For a combination of isotopes, if R, as defined in 39.4(26) “a,” divided by  $10^3$  is greater than 1, but R divided by  $10^4$  is less than or equal to 1.) ..... 225,000

Greater than  $10^{10}$  but less than or equal to  $10^{12}$  times the applicable quantities of Appendix F or 641—Chapter 40 in sealed sources or plated foils. (For a combination of isotopes, if R, as defined in 39.4(26) “a,” divided by  $10^{10}$  is greater than 1, but R divided by  $10^{12}$  is less than or equal to 1.) ..... 113,000

Licenses having possession limits exceeding the upper bounds of this table must base financial assurance on a decommissioning funding plan

*e.* Each decommissioning funding plan must contain a cost estimate for decommissioning and a description of the method of assuring funds for decommissioning from 39.4(26) “f,” including means of adjusting cost estimates and associated funding levels periodically over the life of the facility. Cost estimates must be adjusted at intervals not to exceed three years. The decommissioning funding plan must also contain a certification by the licensee that financial assurance for decommissioning has been provided in the amount of the cost estimate and a signed original of the financial instrument obtained to satisfy the requirements of 39.4(26) “f.”

*f.* Financial assurance for decommissioning must be provided by one or more of the following methods:

(1) Prepayment. Prepayment is the deposit prior to the start of operation into an account segregated from licensee assets and outside the licensee’s administrative control of cash or liquid assets such that the amount of funds would be sufficient to pay decommissioning costs. Prepayment may be in the form of a trust, escrow account, government fund, certificate of deposit, or deposit of government securities.

(2) A surety method, insurance, or other guarantee method. These methods guarantee that decommissioning costs will be paid should the licensee default. A surety method may be in the form of a surety bond, letter of credit, or line of credit. A parent company guarantee of funds for decommissioning costs based on a financial test may be used if the guarantee and test are as contained in Appendix F of this chapter. A parent company guarantee may not be used in combination with other financial methods to satisfy the requirements of this subrule. For commercial corporations that issue bonds, a guarantee of funds by the applicant or licensee for decommissioning costs based on a financial test may be used if the guarantee and test are as contained in Appendix H of this chapter. For commercial companies that do not issue bonds, a guarantee of funds by the applicant or licensee for decommissioning costs may be used if the guarantee and test are as contained in Appendix I of this chapter. For nonprofit entities, such as colleges, universities, and nonprofit hospitals, a guarantee of funds by the applicant or licensee may be used if the guarantee and test are as contained in Appendix J of this chapter. A guarantee by the applicant or licensee may not be used in combination with any other financial methods used to satisfy the requirements of paragraph 39.4(26) “f” or in any situation where the applicant or licensee has a parent company holding majority control of the voting stock of the company. Any surety method or insurance used to provide financial assurance for decommissioning must contain the following conditions:

1. The surety method or insurance must be open-ended or, if written for a specified term, such as five years, must be renewed automatically unless 90 days or more prior to the renewal date, the issuer notifies the agency, the beneficiary, and the licensee of its intention not to renew. The surety method or insurance must also provide that the full face amount be paid to the beneficiary automatically prior to the expiration without proof of forfeiture if the licensee fails to provide a replacement acceptable to the agency within 30 days after receipt of notification of cancellation.

2. The surety method or insurance must be payable to a trust established for decommissioning costs. The trustee and trust must be acceptable to the agency. An acceptable trustee includes an appropriate state or federal government agency or an entity which has authority to act as a trustee and whose trust operations are regulated and examined by a federal or state agency.

3. The surety method or insurance must remain in effect until the agency has terminated the license.

(3) An external sinking fund in which deposits are made at least annually, coupled with a surety method or insurance, the value of which may decrease by the amount being accumulated in the sinking fund. An external sinking fund is a fund established and maintained by setting aside funds periodically in an account segregated from licensee assets and outside the licensee's administrative control in which the total amount of funds would be sufficient to pay decommissioning costs at the time termination of operation is expected. An external sinking fund may be in the form of a trust, escrow account, government fund, certificate of deposit, or deposit of government securities. The surety or insurance provisions must be as stated in 39.4(26) "f"(2).

(4) In the case of federal, state, or local government licensees, a statement of intent containing a cost estimate for decommissioning or an amount based on the table in 39.4(26) "d," and indicating that funds for decommissioning will be obtained when necessary.

(5) When a governmental entity assumes custody and ownership of a site, an arrangement that is deemed acceptable by such governmental entity.

g. Each person licensed under this chapter shall keep records of information important to the safe and effective decommissioning of the facility in an identified location until the license is released for unrestricted use. Before licensed activities are transferred or assigned to another licensee, the licensee shall transfer all records described in this subrule to the new licensee. In this case, the new licensee will be responsible for maintaining these records until the license is terminated. If records of relevant information are kept for other purposes, reference to these records and their locations may be used. Information the agency considers important to decommissioning consists of:

(1) Records of spills or other unusual occurrences involving the spread of contamination in and around the facility, equipment, or site. These records may be limited to instances when contamination remains after any cleanup procedures or when there is reasonable likelihood that contaminants may have spread to inaccessible areas as in the case of possible seepage into porous materials such as concrete. These records must include any known information on identification of involved nuclides, quantities, forms, and concentrations.

(2) As-built drawings and modifications of structures and equipment in restricted areas where radioactive materials are used, stored, or both, and of locations of possible inaccessible contamination such as buried pipes which may be subject to contamination. If required drawings are referenced, each relevant document need not be indexed individually. If drawings are not available, the licensee shall substitute appropriate records of available information concerning these areas and locations.

(3) Records of the cost estimate performed for the decommissioning funding plan or of the amount certified for decommissioning, and records of the funding method used for assuring funds if either a funding plan or certification is used.

(4) Except for areas containing only sealed sources (provided the sources have not leaked or no contamination remains after any leak) or byproduct materials having only half-lives of less than 65 days, a list contained in a single document and updated every two years, of the following:

1. All areas designated as restricted areas as defined under 641—38.2(136C);
2. All areas outside of restricted areas that require documentation under 641—39.4(26) "g"(1);

3. All areas outside of restricted areas where current and previous wastes have been buried as documented under 641—40.88(136C); and

4. All areas outside of restricted areas which contain material such that, if the license expired, the licensee would be required to either decontaminate the area to unrestricted release levels or apply for approval for disposal in accordance with 641—40.71(136C).

**39.4(27)** *Special requirements for issuance of certain specific licenses for radioactive material.*

a. to d. Reserved.

e. Use of sealed sources in industrial radiography. In addition to the requirements set forth in 39.4(25), a specific license for use of sealed sources in industrial radiography will be issued if the application contains:

(1) A schedule or description of the program for training radiographic personnel which specifies:

1. Initial training,
2. Periodic training,
3. On-the-job training, and
4. Methods to be used by the licensee to determine the knowledge, understanding, and ability of radiographic personnel to comply with agency rules, licensing requirements, and the operating and emergency procedures of the applicant;

(2) Written operating and emergency procedures, including all items listed in Appendix D of 641—Chapter 45;

(3) A description of the internal inspection system or other management control to ensure that radiographic personnel follow license provisions, rules of the agency, and the applicant's operating and emergency procedures;

(4) A list of permanent radiographic installations and descriptions of permanent storage and use locations. Radioactive material shall not be stored at a permanent storage location or used at a permanent use location unless such storage or use location is specifically authorized by the license. A storage or use location is permanent if radioactive material is stored at the location for more than 90 days and any of the following applies to the location:

1. Non-wireless telephone service is established by the licensee;
2. Industrial radiographic services are advertised for or from the location;
3. Industrial radiographic operations are conducted at other sites due to arrangements made from the location;

(5) A description of the organization of the industrial radiographic program, including delegations of authority and responsibility for operation of the radiation safety program;

(6) A description of the program for inspection and maintenance of radiographic exposure devices and transport and storage containers (including applicable items in 641—subrule 45.1(8) and 641—Chapter 45, Appendix A); and

(7) If a license application includes underwater radiography, a description of:

1. Radiation safety procedures and radiographer responsibilities unique to the performance of underwater radiography;
2. Radiographic equipment and radiation safety equipment unique to underwater radiography; and
3. Methods for gas-tight encapsulation of equipment;

(8) If a license application includes offshore platform or lay-barge radiography, a description of:

1. Transport procedures for radioactive material to be used in industrial radiographic operations;
2. Storage facilities for radioactive material; and
3. Methods for restricting access to radiation areas.

**39.4(28)** *Special requirements for specific licenses of broad scope.* This subrule prescribes requirements for the issuance of specific licenses of broad scope for radioactive material and certain rules governing holders of such licenses. Authority to transfer possession or control by the manufacturer, processor, or producer of any equipment, device, commodity, or other product containing by-product material whose subsequent possession, use, transfer, and disposal by all other persons are exempted from regulatory requirements may be obtained only from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.



a. The different types of broad scope licenses are set forth below:

(1) A "Type A specific license of broad scope" is a specific license authorizing receipt, acquisition, ownership, possession, use and transfer of any chemical or physical form of the radioactive material specified in the license, but not exceeding quantities specified in the license, for any authorized purpose. The quantities specified are usually in the multicurie range.

(2) A "Type B specific license of broad scope" is a specific license authorizing receipt, acquisition, ownership, possession, use and transfer of any chemical or physical form of radioactive material specified in Appendix D of this chapter, for any authorized purpose. The possession limit for a Type B license of broad scope, if only one radionuclide is possessed thereunder, is the quantity specified for that radionuclide in Appendix D, Column I. If two or more radionuclides are possessed thereunder, the possession limit for each is determined as follows: for each radionuclide, determine the ratio of the quantity possessed to the applicable quantity specified in Appendix D, Column I, for that radionuclide. The sum of the ratios for all radionuclides possessed under the license shall not exceed unity.

(3) A "Type C specific license of broad scope" is a specific license authorizing receipt, acquisition, ownership, possession, use, and transfer of any chemical or physical form of radioactive material specified in Appendix D of this chapter, for any authorized purpose. The possession limit for a Type C license of broad scope, if only one radionuclide is possessed thereunder, is the quantity specified for that radionuclide in Appendix D, Column II. If two or more radionuclides are possessed thereunder, the possession limit is determined for each as follows: for each radionuclide, determine the ratio of the quantity possessed to the applicable quantity specified in Appendix D, Column II, for that radionuclide. The sum of the ratios for all radionuclides possessed under the license shall not exceed unity.

b. An application for a Type A specific license of broad scope will be approved if:

(1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25);

(2) The applicant has engaged in a reasonable number of activities involving the use of radioactive material; and

(3) The applicant has established administrative controls and provisions relating to organization and management, procedures, record keeping, material control and accounting, and management review that are necessary to ensure safe operations, including:

1. The establishment of a radiation safety committee composed of such persons as a radiation safety officer, a representative of management, and persons trained and experienced in the safe use of radioactive material;

2. The appointment of a radiation safety officer who is qualified by training and experience in radiation protection, and who is available for advice and assistance on radiation safety matters; and

3. The establishment of appropriate administrative procedures to ensure:

- Control of procurement and use of radioactive material;

- Completion of safety evaluations of proposed uses of radioactive material which take into consideration such matters as the adequacy of facilities and equipment, training and experience of the user, and the operating or handling procedures; and

- Review, approval, and recording by the radiation safety committee of safety evaluations of proposed uses prepared in accordance with 39.4(28) "b"(3)"3" prior to use of the radioactive material.

c. An application for a Type B specific license of broad scope will be approved if:

(1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25); and

(2) The applicant has established administrative controls and provisions relating to organization and management, procedures, record keeping, material control and accounting, and management review that are necessary to ensure safe operations, including:

1. The appointment of a radiation safety officer who is qualified by training and experience in radiation protection, and who is available for advice and assistance on radiation safety matters, and

2. The establishment of appropriate administrative procedures to ensure:

- Control of procurement and use of radioactive material;

- Completion of safety evaluations of proposed uses of radioactive material which take into consideration such matters as the adequacy of facilities and equipment, training and experience of the user, and the operating or handling procedures; and

- Review, approval, and recording by the radiation safety officer of safety evaluations of proposed uses prepared in accordance with 39.4(28) “c”(2)“2” prior to use of the radioactive material.

d. An application for a Type C specific license of broad scope will be approved if:

(1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25).

(2) The applicant submits a statement that radioactive material will be used only by, or under the direct supervision of, individuals who have received:

1. A college degree at the bachelor level, or equivalent training and experience, in the physical or biological sciences or in engineering; and

2. At least 40 hours of training and experience in the safe handling of radioactive material, and in the characteristics of ionizing radiation, units of radiation dose and quantities, radiation detection instrumentation, and biological hazards of exposure to radiation appropriate to the type and forms of radioactive material to be used.

(3) The applicant has established administrative controls and provisions relating to procurement of radioactive material, procedures, record keeping, material control and accounting, and management review necessary to ensure safe operations.

e. Specific licenses of broad scope are subject to the following conditions:

(1) Unless specifically authorized, persons licensed pursuant to 39.4(28) shall not:

1. Conduct tracer studies in the environment involving direct release of radioactive material;

2. Receive, acquire, own, possess, use, or transfer devices containing 100,000 curies (3.7 PBq) or more of radioactive material in sealed sources used for irradiation of materials;

3. Conduct activities for which a specific license issued by the agency under 39.4(27), 39.4(29) or 641—41.2(136C) is required; or

4. Add or cause the addition of radioactive material to any food, beverage, cosmetic, drug, or other product designed for ingestion or inhalation by, or application to, a human being.

(2) Each Type A specific license of broad scope issued under this chapter shall be subject to the condition that radioactive material possessed under the license may only be used by, or under the direct supervision of, individuals approved by the licensee’s radiation safety committee.

(3) Each Type B specific license of broad scope issued under this chapter shall be subject to the condition that radioactive material possessed under the license may only be used by, or under the direct supervision of, individuals approved by the licensee’s radiation safety officer.

(4) Each Type C specific license of broad scope issued under this chapter shall be subject to the condition that radioactive material possessed under the license may only be used by, or under the direct supervision of, individuals who satisfy the requirements of 39.4(28) “d.”

**39.4(29)** *Special requirements for a specific license to manufacture, assemble, repair, or distribute commodities, products, or devices which contain radioactive material.*

a. Licensing the introduction of radioactive material into products in exempt concentrations.

(1) In addition to the requirements set forth in 39.4(25), a specific license authorizing the introduction of radioactive material into a product or material owned by or in the possession of the licensee or another to be transferred to persons exempt under 39.4(3) “a”(1) will be issued if:

1. The applicant submits a description of the product or material into which the radioactive material will be introduced, intended use of the radioactive material and the product or material into which it is introduced, method of introduction, initial concentration of the radioactive material in the product or material, control methods to ensure that no more than the specified concentration is introduced into the product or material, estimated time interval between introduction and transfer of the product or material, and estimated concentration of the radioactive material in the product or material at the time of transfer; and

2. The applicant provides reasonable assurance that the concentrations of radioactive material at the time of transfer will not exceed the concentrations in Appendix A of this chapter, that reconcentration of the radioactive material in concentrations exceeding those in Appendix A is not likely, that use of lower concentrations is not feasible, and that the product or material is not likely to be incorporated in any food, beverage, cosmetic, drug or other commodity or product designed for ingestion or inhalation by, or application to, a human being.

(2) Each person licensed under 39.4(29)“a” shall file an annual report with the agency which shall identify the type and quantity of each product or material into which radioactive material has been introduced during the reporting period; name and address of the person who owned or possessed the product or material, into which radioactive material has been introduced, at the time of introduction; the type and quantity of radionuclide introduced into each such product or material; and the initial concentrations of the radionuclide in the product or material at time of transfer of the radioactive material by the licensee. If no transfers of radioactive material have been made pursuant to 39.4(29)“a” during the reporting period, the report shall so indicate. The report shall cover the year ending June 30, and shall be filed within 30 days thereafter.

b. Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

c. Resins containing scandium-46 and designed for sand consolidation in oil wells: requirements for license to manufacture, or initially transfer for sale or distribution. An application for a specific license to manufacture, or initially transfer for sale or distribution, synthetic plastic resins containing scandium-46 for use pursuant to 39.4(3)“c”(4) will be approved if the applicant satisfies the general requirements of 39.4(25) and the criteria of Section 32.16 of 10 CFR Part 32.

d. Licensing the manufacture and distribution of devices to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22)“d.”

(1) An application for a specific license to manufacture or initially transfer devices containing radioactive material, excluding special nuclear material, to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22)“d” or equivalent regulations of the NRC, an agreement state, or a licensing state will be approved if:

1. The applicant satisfies the general requirements of 39.4(25);

2. The applicant submits sufficient information relating to the design, manufacture, prototype testing, quality control, labels, proposed uses, installation, servicing, leak testing, operating and safety instructions, and potential hazards of the device to provide reasonable assurance that:

- The device can be safely operated by persons not having training in radiological protection,
- Under ordinary conditions of handling, storage, and use of the device, the radioactive material contained in the device will not be released or inadvertently removed from the device, and it is unlikely that any person will receive in any period of one year a dose in excess of 10 percent of the annual limits specified in 641—40.15(136C); and
- Under accident conditions such as fire and explosion associated with handling, storage, and use of the device, it is unlikely that any person would receive an external radiation dose or dose commitment in excess of the following organ doses:

Whole body; head and trunk; active blood-forming organs; gonads; or lens  
of eye ..... 15 rems (150 mSv)

Hands and forearms; feet and ankles; localized areas of skin averaged over areas no larger than 1 square centimeter ..... 200 rems (2 Sv)

Other organs ..... 50 rems (500 mSv)

3. Each device bears a durable, legible, clearly visible label or labels approved by the agency, NRC, or agreement state or licensing state, which contains in a clearly identified and separate statement:

- Instructions and precautions necessary to ensure safe installation, operation, and servicing of the device. Documents such as operating and service manuals may be identified in the label and used to provide this information;

- The requirement, or lack of requirement, for leak testing, or for testing any “on-off” mechanism and indicator, including the maximum time interval for such testing, and the identification of radioactive material by isotope, quantity of radioactivity, and date of determination of the quantity; and
- The information called for in one of the following statements, as appropriate, in the same or substantially similar form:

The receipt, possession, use, and transfer of this device, Model \_\_\_\_\_, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, (devices licensed prior to January 19, 1975, may bear labels authorized by the rules in effect on January 1, 1975)(the model, serial number, and name of the manufacturer or initial transferor may be omitted from this label provided the information is elsewhere specified in labeling affixed to the device) are subject to a general license or the equivalent and the chapter of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or a state with which the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has entered into an agreement for the exercise of regulatory authority. This label shall be maintained on the device in a legible condition. Removal of this label is prohibited.

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Name of manufacturer or initial transferor

4. Each device having a separable source housing that provides the primary shielding for the source also bears, on the source housing, a durable label containing the device model number and serial number, the isotope and quantity, the words “Caution—Radioactive Material,” the radiation symbol described in 641—subrule 40.60(1), and the name of the manufacturer or initial distributor; and

5. Each device meeting the criteria of 39.4(22) “d”(3) “13” bears a permanent (e.g., embossed, etched, stamped, or engraved) label affixed to the source housing if separable, or the device if the source housing is not separable, that includes the words, “Caution—Radioactive Material,” and, if practicable, the radiation symbol described in 641—subrule 40.60(1).

(2) In the event the applicant desires that the device be required to be tested at intervals longer than six months, either for proper operation of the “on-off” mechanism and indicator, if any, or for leakage of radioactive material or for both, the applicant shall include in the application sufficient information to demonstrate that such longer interval is justified by performance characteristics of the device or similar devices and by design features which have a significant bearing on the probability or consequences of leakage of radioactive material from the device or failure of the “on-off” mechanism and indicator. In determining the acceptable interval for the test for leakage of radioactive material, the agency will consider information which includes, but is not limited to:

1. Primary containment or source capsule;
2. Protection of primary containment;
3. Method of sealing containment;
4. Containment construction materials;
5. Form of contained radioactive material;
6. Maximum temperature withstood during prototype tests;
7. Maximum pressure withstood during prototype tests;
8. Maximum quantity of contained radioactive material;
9. Radiotoxicity of contained radioactive material; and
10. Operating experience with identical devices or similarly designed and constructed devices.

(3) In the event the applicant desires that the general licensee under 39.4(22) “d,” or under equivalent regulations of the NRC, an agreement state, or a licensing state be authorized to install the device, collect the sample to be analyzed by a specific licensee for leakage of radioactive material, service the device, test the “on-off” mechanism and indicator, or remove the device from installation, the applicant shall include in the application written instructions to be followed by the general licensee, estimated calendar quarter doses associated with such activity or activities, and bases for such estimates. The submitted information shall demonstrate that performance of such activity or activities by an

individual untrained in radiological protection, in addition to other handling, storage, and use of devices under the general license, is unlikely to cause that individual to receive a dose in excess of 10 percent of the annual limits specified in 641—40.15(136C).

(4) Information to be provided before transfer.

1. If a device containing radioactive material is to be transferred for use under the general license contained in 39.4(22) “d,” each person that is licensed under 39.4(22) “d” shall provide the information specified to each person to whom a device is to be transferred. This information must be provided before the device may be transferred. In the case of a transfer through an intermediate person, the information must also be provided to the intended user prior to initial transfer to the intermediate person. The required information includes:

- A copy of the general license contained in 39.4(22), or if 39.4(22) “d”(3) “2,” “3,” or “4” or 39.4(22) “d”(3) “13” does not apply to the particular device, those paragraphs may be omitted;
- A copy of 39.4(20), 39.4(52), 641—40.95(136C), and 641—40.96(136C);
- A list of the services that can only be performed by a specific licensee;
- Information on acceptable disposal options including estimated costs of disposal; and
- An indication that it is the policy of the NRC and this agency to issue high civil penalties for improper disposal.

2. If radioactive material is to be transferred in a device for use under an equivalent general license of the NRC or an agreement state, each person that is licensed under 39.4(29) “d” shall provide the information specified in this paragraph to each person to whom a device is to be transferred. In the case of a transfer through an intermediate person, the information must also be provided to the intended user prior to initial transfer to the intermediate person. The required information includes:

- A copy of the NRC or agreement state’s rules equivalent to 39.4(29) “d.” If a copy of the NRC regulations is provided to a prospective general licensee in lieu of the agreement state’s regulations, it shall be accompanied by a note explaining that use of the device is regulated by the agreement state; if certain paragraphs of the regulations do not apply to the particular device, those paragraphs may be omitted;

- A list of the services that can only be performed by a specific licensee;
- Information on acceptable disposal options including estimated costs of disposal; and
- The name or title, address, and telephone number of the contact at the agreement state regulatory agency from which additional information may be obtained.

3. An alternative approach to informing customers may be proposed by the licensee for approval by the agency.

4. Each device that is transferred after February 19, 2002, must meet the labeling requirements in 39.4(29) “d.”

5. If a notification of bankruptcy has been made or the license is to be terminated, each person licensed under 39.4(29) “d” shall provide, upon request, to the NRC and to any appropriate agreement state, records of final disposition.

(5) Transfer reports and records. Each person licensed under 39.4(29) “d” to initially transfer devices to generally licensed persons shall comply with the requirements of this subparagraph.

1. The person shall report all transfers of devices to persons for use under the general license in 39.4(29) “d” and all receipts of devices from persons licensed under 39.4(29) “d” to the NRC, this agency, or another agreement state. The report must be submitted on a quarterly basis in a clear and legible report containing all of the data required in this subrule. The required information for transfers to general licensees includes:

- The identity of each general licensee by name and mailing address for the location of use; if there is no mailing address for the location of use, an alternate address for the general licensee shall be submitted along with information on the actual location of use;

- The name, title, and telephone number of the person identified by the general licensee as having knowledge of and authority to take required actions to ensure compliance with the appropriate rules and requirements;

- The date of transfer;

- The type, model number, and serial number of the device transferred; and
  - The quantity and type of radioactive material contained in the device.
2. If one or more intermediate persons will temporarily possess the device at the intended place of use before its possession by the user, the report must include the same information for both the intended user and each intermediate person, and clearly designate the intermediate person(s).
  3. For devices received from a general licensee, the report must include the identity of the general licensee by name and address; the type, model number, and serial number of the device received; the date of receipt; and, in the case of devices not initially transferred by the reporting licensee, the name of the manufacturer or initial transferor.
  4. If the licensee makes changes to a device possessed by a general licensee, such that the label must be changed to update the required information, the report must identify the general licensee, the device, and the changes to information on the device label.
  5. The report must cover each calendar quarter, must be filed within 30 days of the end of the calendar quarter, and must clearly indicate the period covered by the report.
  6. The report must clearly identify the specific licensee submitting the report and include the license number of the specific licensee.
  7. If no transfers have been made to or from persons generally licensed under 39.4(29) "d" during the reporting period, the report must so indicate.
- (6) The person shall maintain all information concerning transfers and receipts of devices that supports the reports required by 39.4(29) "d." Records required in 39.4(29) "d" must be maintained for three years following the date of the recorded event.
- e.* Special requirements for the manufacture, assembly, or repair of luminous safety devices for use in aircraft. An application for a specific license to manufacture, assemble, or repair luminous safety devices containing tritium or promethium-147 for use in aircraft, for distribution to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22) "e," will be approved if:
- (1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25); and
  - (2) The applicant satisfies the requirements of Sections 32.53, 32.54, 32.55, 32.56, and 32.101 of 10 CFR Part 32, or their equivalent.
- f.* Special requirements for license to manufacture calibration sources containing americium-241, plutonium or radium-226 for distribution to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22) "g." An application for a specific license to manufacture calibration and reference sources containing americium-241, plutonium or radium-226 to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22) "g" will be approved if:
- (1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements of 39.4(25); and
  - (2) The applicant satisfies the requirements of Sections 32.57, 32.58, 32.59, and 32.102 of 10 CFR Part 32 and Section 70.39 of 10 CFR Part 70, or their equivalent.
- g.* Reserved.
- h.* Manufacture and distribution of radioactive material for certain in vitro clinical or laboratory testing under general license. An application for a specific license to manufacture or distribute radioactive material for use under the general license of 39.4(22) "i" will be approved if:
- (1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25).
  - (2) The radioactive material is to be prepared for distribution in prepackaged units of:
    1. Carbon-14 in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
    2. Hydrogen-3 (tritium) in units not exceeding 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) each.
    3. Iodine-125 in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
    4. Mock iodine-125 in units not exceeding 0.05 microcurie (1.85 kBq) of iodine-129 and 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) of americium-241 each.
    5. Iodine-131 in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
    6. Iron-59 in units not exceeding 20 microcuries (740 kBq) each.
    7. Selenium-75 in units not exceeding 10 microcuries (370 kBq) each.
  - (3) Each prepackaged unit bears a durable, clearly visible label:

1. Identifying the radioactive contents as to chemical form and radionuclide, and indicating that the amount of radioactivity does not exceed 10 microcuries (370 kBq) of iodine-125, iodine-131, carbon-14, cobalt-57, or selenium-75; 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) of hydrogen-3 (tritium); 20 microcuries (740 kBq) of iron-59; or mock iodine-125 in units not exceeding 0.05 microcurie (1.85 kBq) of iodine-129 and 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) of americium-241 each; and

2. Displaying the radiation caution symbol described in 641—subrule 40.60(1) and the words, “CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL,” and “Not for Internal or External Use in Humans or Animals.”

(4) One of the following statements, as appropriate, or a substantially similar statement which contains the information called for in one of the following statements, appears on a label affixed to each prepackaged unit or appears in a leaflet or brochure which accompanies the package:

1. This radioactive material may be received, acquired, possessed, and used only by physicians, veterinarians, clinical laboratories or hospitals and only for in vitro clinical or laboratory tests not involving internal or external administration of the material, or the radiation therefrom, to human beings or animals. Its receipt, acquisition, possession, use, and transfer are subject to the regulations and a general license of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state.

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Name of manufacturer

2. Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

(5) The label affixed to the unit, or the leaflet or brochure which accompanies the package, contains adequate information as to the precautions to be observed in handling and storing such radioactive material. In the case of the mock iodine-125 reference or calibration source, the information accompanying the source must also contain directions to the licensee regarding the waste disposal requirements set out in 641—subrule 40.70(1).

*i.* Licensing the manufacture and distribution of ice detection devices. An application for a specific license to manufacture or initially transfer ice detection devices containing strontium-90 to persons generally licensed under 39.4(22) “j” will be approved if the applicant satisfies the general requirements of 39.4(25) and the criteria of Sections 32.61, 32.62, and 32.103 of 10 CFR Part 32.

*j.* Manufacture, preparation, or transfer for commercial distribution of radioactive drugs containing by-product material for medical use under 641—41.2(136C).

(1) An application for a specific license to manufacture, prepare, or transfer for commercial distribution radioactive drugs containing by-product material for use by persons authorized pursuant to 641—41.2(136C) will be approved if:

1. The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in subrule 39.4(25);

2. The applicant submits evidence that the applicant is at least one of the following:

- Registered or licensed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a drug manufacturer;

- Registered or licensed with a state agency as a drug manufacturer;

- Licensed by the Iowa board of pharmacy examiners as a nuclear pharmacy; or

- Operating as a nuclear pharmacy within a federal medical institution;

3. The applicant submits information on the radionuclide: the chemical and physical form; the maximum activity per vial, syringe, generator, or other container of the radioactive drug; the shielding provided by the packaging to show it is appropriate for the safe handling and storage of the radioactive drugs by medical use licensees; and

4. The applicant satisfies the following labeling requirements:

- A label is affixed to each transport radiation shield, whether it is constructed of lead, glass, plastic, or other material, of a radioactive drug to be transferred for commercial distribution. The label must include the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL” or “DANGER, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL”; the name of the radioactive drug or its abbreviation; and the quantity of radioactivity at a specified date and time. For radioactive drugs with a half-life greater than 100 days, the time may be omitted.

- A label is affixed to each syringe, vial, or other container used to hold a radioactive drug to be transferred for commercial distribution. The label must include the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL” or “DANGER, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL” and an identifier that ensures that the syringe, vial, or other container can be correlated with the information on the transport radiation shield label.

(2) A licensee as described by 39.4(29) “j”(1)“2”:

1. May prepare radioactive drugs for medical use, provided that the radioactive drug is prepared by either an authorized nuclear pharmacist, as specified in 39.4(29) “j”(2)“2” and 39.4(29) “j”(2)“3” or an individual under the supervision of an authorized nuclear pharmacist as specified in 641—paragraph 41.2(11) “c.”

2. May allow a pharmacist to work as an authorized nuclear pharmacist if:

- This individual qualifies as an authorized nuclear pharmacist as defined in 641—subrule 41.2(2),

- This individual meets the requirements specified in 641—subrules 41.2(77) and 41.2(78) and the licensee has received an approved license amendment identifying this individual as an authorized nuclear pharmacist, or

- This individual is designated as an authorized nuclear pharmacist in accordance with 39.4(29) “j”(2)“2.”

3. May designate a pharmacist (as defined in 641—subrule 41.2(2)) as an authorized nuclear pharmacist if the individual is identified as of July 9, 1997, as an “authorized user” on a nuclear pharmacy license issued by the agency, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an Agreement State.

4. Shall permit the actions authorized in 39.4(29) “j”(2)“1” and “2” that are permitted in spite of more restrictive language in license conditions.

5. Shall provide to the agency a copy of each individual’s certification by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties, the NRC, or agreement state license, or the permit issued by a licensee of broad scope, and a copy of the state pharmacy licensure or registration, no later than 30 days after the date that the licensee allows, pursuant to 39.4(29) “j”(2)“2,” first and third bulleted paragraphs, the individual to work as an authorized nuclear pharmacist.

(3) A licensee shall possess and use instrumentation to measure the radioactivity of radioactive drugs. The licensee shall have procedures for use of the instrumentation. The licensee shall measure, by direct measurement or by combination of measurements and calculations, the amount of radioactivity in dosages of alpha-, beta-, or photon-emitting radioactive drugs prior to transfer for commercial distribution. In addition, the licensee shall:

1. Perform tests before initial use, periodically, and following repair, on each instrument for accuracy, linearity, and geometry dependence, as appropriate for the use of the instrument, and make adjustments when necessary; and

2. Check each instrument for constancy and proper operation at the beginning of each day of use.

(4) Nothing in this subrule relieves the licensee from complying with applicable FDA, other federal, and state requirements governing radioactive drugs.

k. Manufacture and distribution of generators or reagent kits for preparation of radiopharmaceuticals containing radioactive material. Although the agency does not regulate the manufacture and distribution of reagent kits that do not contain radioactive material, it does regulate the use of such reagent kits for the preparation of radiopharmaceuticals containing radioactive material as part of its licensing and regulation of the users of radioactive material. Any manufacturer of reagent kits that do not contain radioactive material who desires to have their reagent kits approved by the agency for use by persons licensed pursuant to 641—subrule 41.2(33) may submit the pertinent information specified in 39.4(29) “k.” An application for a specific license to manufacture and distribute generators or reagent kits containing radioactive material for preparation of radiopharmaceuticals by persons licensed pursuant to this chapter for the uses listed in 641—subrule 41.2(33) will be approved if:

(1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25);

(2) The applicant submits evidence that:



1. The generator or reagent kit is to be manufactured, labeled and packaged in accordance with the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act or the Public Health Service Act, such as a new drug application (NDA) approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or a “Notice of Claimed Investigational Exemption for a New Drug” (IND) that has been accepted by the FDA, or

2. The manufacture and distribution of the generator or reagent kit are not subject to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act;

(3) The applicant submits information on the radionuclide, chemical and physical form, packaging including maximum activity per package, and shielding provided by the packaging of the radioactive material contained in the generator or reagent kit;

(4) The label affixed to the generator or reagent kit contains information on the radionuclide, quantity, and date of assay; and

(5) The label affixed to the generator or reagent kit, or the leaflet or brochure which accompanies the generator or reagent kit, contains:

1. Adequate information, from a radiation safety standpoint, on the procedures to be followed and the equipment and shielding to be used in eluting the generator or processing radioactive material with the reagent kit, and

2. A statement that this generator or reagent kit, as appropriate, is approved for use by persons licensed by the agency pursuant to 641—subrule 41.2(33) or under equivalent licenses of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state. The labels, leaflets, or brochures required by 39.4(29)“k” are in addition to the labeling required by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and they may be separate from or, with the approval of the FDA, may be combined with the labeling required by the FDA.

l. Manufacture and distribution of sources or devices containing radioactive material for medical use. An application for a specific license to manufacture and distribute sources and devices containing radioactive material to persons licensed pursuant to 641—41.2(136C) for use as a calibration or reference source or for the uses listed in 641—subrules 41.2(41), 41.2(43), and 41.2(49) will be approved if:

(1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements in 39.4(25);

(2) The applicant submits sufficient information regarding each type of source or device pertinent to an evaluation of its radiation safety, including:

1. The radioactive material contained, its chemical and physical form, and amount,

2. Details of design and construction of the source or device,

3. Procedures for, and results of, prototype tests to demonstrate that the source or device will maintain its integrity under stresses likely to be encountered in normal use and accidents,

4. For devices containing radioactive material, the radiation profile of a prototype device,

5. Details of quality control procedures to ensure that production sources and devices meet the standards of the design and prototype tests,

6. Procedures and standards for calibrating sources and devices,

7. Legend and methods for labeling sources and devices as to their radioactive content, and

8. Instructions for handling and storing the source or device from the radiation safety standpoint.

These instructions are to be included on a durable label attached to the source or device or attached to a permanent storage container for the source or device, provided that instructions which are too lengthy for such label may be summarized on the label and printed in detail on a brochure which is referenced on the label;

(3) The label affixed to the source or device, or to the permanent storage container for the source or device, contains information on the radionuclide, quantity, and date of assay, and a statement that the NRC, agreement state, or this agency has approved distribution of the source or device to persons licensed to use by-product material identified in 641—41.2(136C) and 641—subrules 41.2(41) and 41.2(43), as appropriate, and to persons who hold an equivalent license issued by the NRC or an agreement state;

(4) In the event the applicant desires that the source or device be required to be tested for leakage of radioactive material at intervals longer than six months, the applicant shall include in the application sufficient information to demonstrate that such longer interval is justified by performance characteristics

of the source or device or similar sources or devices and by design features that have a significant bearing on the probability or consequences of leakage of radioactive material from the source; and

(5) In determining the acceptable interval for test of leakage of radioactive material, the agency will consider information that includes, but is not limited to:

1. Primary containment or source capsule,
2. Protection of primary containment,
3. Method of sealing containment,
4. Containment construction materials,
5. Form of contained radioactive material,
6. Maximum temperature withstood during prototype tests,
7. Maximum pressure withstood during prototype tests,
8. Maximum quantity of contained radioactive material,
9. Radiotoxicity of contained radioactive material, and
10. Operating experience with identical sources or devices or similarly designed and constructed sources or devices.

*m.* Requirements for license to manufacture and distribute industrial products containing depleted uranium for mass-volume applications.

(1) An application for a specific license to manufacture industrial products and devices containing depleted uranium for use pursuant to 39.4(21)“*d*” or equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state will be approved if:

1. The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25);
2. The applicant submits sufficient information relating to the design, manufacture, prototype testing, quality control procedures, labeling or marking, proposed uses, and potential hazards of the industrial product or device to provide reasonable assurance that possession, use, or transfer of the depleted uranium in the product or device is not likely to cause any individual to receive in any period of one calendar quarter a radiation dose in excess of 10 percent of the limits specified in 641—40.15(136C) of these rules; and
3. The applicant submits sufficient information regarding the industrial product or device and the presence of depleted uranium for a mass-volume application in the product or device to provide reasonable assurance that unique benefits will accrue to the public because of the usefulness of the product or device.

(2) In the case of an industrial product or device whose unique benefits are questionable, the agency will approve an application for a specific license under 39.4(29)“*m*” only if the product or device is found to combine a high degree of utility and low probability of uncontrolled disposal and dispersal of significant quantities of depleted uranium into the environment.

(3) The agency may deny any application for a specific license under 39.4(29)“*m*” if the end use(s) of the industrial product or device cannot be reasonably foreseen.

(4) Each person licensed pursuant to 39.4(29)“*m*”(1) shall:

1. Maintain the level of quality control required by the license in the manufacture of the industrial product or device, and in the installation of the depleted uranium into the product or device;
2. Label or mark each unit to:
  - Identify the manufacturer of the product or device and the number of the license under which the product or device was manufactured, the fact that the product or device contains depleted uranium, and the quantity of depleted uranium in each product or device; and
  - State that the receipt, possession, use, and transfer of the product or device are subject to a general license or the equivalent and the regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state;
3. Ensure that the depleted uranium before being installed in each product or device has been impressed with the following legend clearly legible through any plating or other covering: “Depleted Uranium”
4. Furnish a copy of the general license contained in 39.4(21)“*d*” and a copy of the agency form used to register the device to each person to whom the person transfers depleted uranium in a product

or device for use pursuant to the general license contained in 39.4(21)“d,” or furnish a copy of the general license contained in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s or agreement state’s regulation equivalent to 39.4(21)“d” and a copy of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s or agreement state’s certificate, or alternatively, furnish a copy of the general license contained in 39.4(21)“d” and a copy of the agency form used to register to each person to whom the person transfers depleted uranium in a product or device for use pursuant to the general license of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state, with a note explaining that use of the product or device is regulated by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state under requirements substantially the same as those in 39.4(21)“d”;

5. Report to the agency all transfers of industrial products or devices to persons for use under the general license in 39.4(21)“d.” Such report shall identify each general licensee by name and address, an individual by name and position who may constitute a point of contact between the agency and the general licensee, the type and model number of device transferred, and the quantity of depleted uranium contained in the product or device. The report shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter in which such a product or device is transferred to the generally licensed person. If no transfers have been made to persons generally licensed under 39.4(21)“d” during the reporting period, the report shall so indicate;

6. Report to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission all transfers of industrial products or devices to persons for use under the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission general license in Section 40.25 of 10 CFR Part 40; and shall report to the responsible state agency all transfers of devices manufactured and distributed pursuant to 39.4(29)“m” for use under a general license in that state’s regulations equivalent to 39.4(21)“d.” Such report shall identify each general licensee by name and address, an individual by name and position who may constitute a point of contact between the agency and the general licensee, the type and model number of the device transferred, and the quantity of depleted uranium contained in the product or device. The report shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter in which such product or device is transferred to the generally licensed person. If no transfers have been made to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensees during the reporting period, this information shall be reported to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. If no transfers have been made to general licensees within a particular agreement state during the reporting period, this information shall be reported to the responsible agreement state agency upon the request of that agency; and

7. Keep records showing the name, address, and point of contact for each general licensee to whom the person transfers depleted uranium in industrial products or devices for use pursuant to the general license provided in 39.4(21)“d” or equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state. The records shall be maintained for a period of two years and shall show the date of each transfer, the quantity of depleted uranium in each product or device transferred, and compliance with the report requirements of 641—Chapters 39 and 40.

*n.* Resins containing scandium-46 and designed for sand consolidation in oil wells: requirements for license to manufacture, or initially transfer for sale or distribution. An application for a specific license to manufacture, or initially transfer for sale or distribution, synthetic plastic resins containing scandium-46 for use pursuant to 39.4(3)“c”(4) will be approved if:

- (1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25);
- (2) The applicant satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR 32.17 or their equivalent.

*o.* Acceptance sampling procedures under certain specific licenses. A random sample shall be taken from each inspection lot of devices licensed under 39.4(29) for which testing is required and meet the requirements pursuant to 10 CFR 32.110.

**39.4(30)** Reserved.

**39.4(31)** *Issuance of specific licenses.*

*a.* Upon a determination that an application meets the requirements of the Iowa Code and the rules of the agency, the agency will issue a specific license authorizing the proposed activity in such form and containing such conditions and limitations as it deems appropriate or necessary.

*b.* The agency may incorporate in any license at the time of issuance, or thereafter by appropriate rule, regulation, or order, such additional requirements and conditions with respect to the licensee's receipt, possession, use, and transfer of radioactive material subject to this chapter as it deems appropriate or necessary in order to:

- (1) Minimize danger to public health and safety or property;
- (2) Require such reports and the keeping of such records, and to provide for such inspections of activities under the license as may be appropriate or necessary; and
- (3) Prevent loss or theft of material subject to this chapter.

*c.* Specific license for industrial radiography. An application for a specific license for the use of licensed material in industrial radiography will be approved if the applicant meets the following requirements:

- (1) The applicant satisfies the general requirements specified in 39.4(25).
- (2) The applicant submits an adequate program for training radiographers and radiographers' assistants that meets the requirements of 641—subrule 45.1(10).
- (3) The applicant submits procedures for verifying and documenting the certification status of radiographers and for ensuring that the certification of individuals acting as radiographers remains valid.
- (4) The applicant submits written operating and emergency procedures as described in 641—subrule 45.2(4).
- (5) The applicant submits a description of a program for inspections of the job performance of each radiographer and radiographer's assistant at intervals not to exceed six months as described in 641—subrule 45.1(11).
- (6) The applicant submits a description of the applicant's overall organizational structure as it applies to the radiation responsibilities in industrial radiography, including specified delegation of authority and responsibility.
- (7) The applicant identifies and lists the qualifications of the individual(s) designated as the RSO (641—paragraph 45.1(10)“*d*”) and potential designees responsible for ensuring that the licensee's radiation safety program is implemented in accordance with approved procedures.
- (8) If an applicant intends to perform leak testing of sealed sources or exposure devices containing depleted uranium (DU) shielding, the applicant must describe the procedures for performing and the qualifications of the person(s) authorized to do the leak testing. If the applicant intends to analyze its own wipe samples, the application must include a description of the procedures to be followed. The description must include the instruments to be used, methods of performing the analysis, and pertinent experience of the person who will analyze the wipe samples.
- (9) If the applicant intends to perform “in-house” calibrations of survey instruments, the applicant must describe the methods to be used and the relevant experience of the person(s) who will perform the calibrations. All calibrations must be performed according to the procedures described and at the intervals prescribed in 641—subrule 45.1(5).
- (10) The applicant identifies and describes the location(s) of all field stations and permanent radiographic installations.
- (11) The applicant identifies the locations where all records required by 641—Chapters 38, 39, 40, and 45 will be located.

*d.* Specific licenses for well logging. The agency will approve an application for a specific license for the use of licensed material in well logging if the applicant meets the following requirements:

- (1) The applicant shall satisfy the general requirements specified in 39.4(25) and all other requirements in 641—Chapter 39, as appropriate, and any special requirements contained in 39.4(31)“*d.*”
- (2) The applicant shall develop a program for training logging supervisors and logging assistants and submit to the agency a description of this program which specifies the following:
  1. Initial training;
  2. On-the-job training;
  3. Annual safety reviews provided by the licensee;

4. The means the applicant will use to demonstrate the logging supervisor's knowledge and understanding of and ability to comply with the agency's regulations and licensing requirements and the applicant's operating and emergency procedures; and

5. The means the applicant will use to demonstrate the logging assistant's knowledge and understanding of and ability to comply with the applicant's operating and emergency procedures.

(3) The applicant shall submit to the agency written operating and emergency procedures as described in 641—subrule 45.6(16) or an outline or summary of the procedures that includes the important radiation safety aspects of the procedures.

(4) The applicant shall establish and submit to the agency its program for annual inspections of the job performance of each logging supervisor to ensure that the agency's regulations and license requirements and the applicant's operating and emergency procedures are followed. Inspection records must be retained for three years after each annual internal inspection.

(5) The applicant shall submit a description of its overall organizational structure as the organizational structure applies to the radiation safety responsibilities in well logging, including specified delegations of authority and responsibility.

(6) If an applicant wants to perform leak testing of sealed sources, the applicant shall identify the manufacturers and the model numbers of the leak test kits to be used. If the applicant wants to analyze its own wipe samples, the applicant shall establish procedures to be followed and submit a description of these procedures to the agency. The description must include the instruments to be used, methods of performing the analysis, and pertinent experience of the person who will analyze the wipe samples.

**39.4(32) *Specific terms and conditions of licenses.***

a. Each license issued pursuant to this chapter shall be subject to all the provisions of the Iowa Code, now or hereafter in effect, and to all rules, regulations, and orders of the agency.

b. No license issued or granted under this chapter and no right to possess or utilize radioactive material granted by any license issued pursuant to this chapter shall be transferred, assigned, or in any manner disposed of, either voluntarily or involuntarily, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of any license to any person unless the agency shall, after securing full information, find that the transfer is in accordance with the provisions of the Iowa Code, now or hereafter in effect, and to all valid rules, regulations, and orders of the agency, and shall give its consent in writing.

c. Each person licensed by the agency pursuant to this chapter shall confine use and possession of the material licensed to the locations and purposes authorized in the license.

d. Each licensee shall notify the agency in writing when the licensee decides to permanently discontinue all activities involving materials authorized under the license.

e. Each licensee shall notify the agency in writing immediately following the filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition for bankruptcy under any Chapter of Title 11 (Bankruptcy) of the United States Code by or against:

(1) The licensee;

(2) An entity (as that term is defined in 11 U.S.C. 101(14)) controlling the licensee or listing the license or licensee as property of the estate; or

(3) An affiliate (as that term is defined in 11 U.S.C. 101(2)) of the licensee.

f. The notification specified in 39.4(32)“e” shall indicate the bankruptcy court in which the petition for bankruptcy was filed and the date of the filing of the petition.

**39.4(33) *Expiration and termination of licenses and decommissioning of sites and separate buildings or outdoor areas.***

a. Each specific license expires at the end of the day on the expiration date stated in the license unless the licensee has filed an application for renewal under 39.4(33) not less than 30 days before the expiration date stated in the existing license. If an application for renewal has been filed at least 30 days before the expiration date stated in the existing license, the existing license expires at the end of the day on which the agency makes a final determination to deny the renewal application or, if the determination states an expiration date, the expiration date stated in the determination.

*b.* Each specific license revoked by the agency expires at the end of the day on the date of the agency's final determination to revoke the license, or on the expiration date stated in the determination, or as otherwise provided by agency order.

*c.* Each specific license continues in effect, beyond the expiration date if necessary, with respect to possession of by-product material until the agency notifies the licensee in writing that the license is terminated. During this time, the licensee shall:

- (1) Limit actions involving by-product material to those related to decommissioning; and
- (2) Continue to control entry to restricted areas until they are suitable for release in accordance with state of Iowa requirements.

*d.* Within 60 days of the occurrence of any of the following, each licensee shall provide notification to the agency in writing of such occurrence, and either begin decommissioning its site, or any separate building or outdoor area that contains residual radioactivity so that the building or outdoor area is suitable for release in accordance with the state of Iowa requirements, or submit within 12 months of notification a decommissioning plan, if required by 39.4(33) "j" and begin decommissioning upon approval of that plan if:

- (1) The license has expired pursuant to 39.4(33) "a" or "b";
- (2) The licensee has decided to permanently cease principal activities, as defined in 641—38.2(136C) at the entire site or in any separate building or outdoor area that contains residual radioactivity such that the building or outdoor area is unsuitable for release in accordance with state of Iowa requirements;
- (3) No principal activities under the license have been conducted for a period of 24 months; or
- (4) No principal activities have been conducted for a period of 24 months in any separate building or outdoor area suitable for release in accordance with State of Iowa requirements.

*e.* Coincident with the notification required by 39.4(33) "d," the licensee shall maintain in effect all decommissioning financial assurances established by the licensee pursuant to subrule 39.4(26) in conjunction with a license issuance or renewal or as required by this subrule. The amount of the financial assurance must be increased, or may be decreased, as appropriate, to cover the detailed cost estimate for decommissioning established pursuant to paragraph 39.4(33) "g."

(1) Any licensee who has not provided financial assurance to cover the detailed cost estimate submitted with the decommissioning plan shall do so when this rule becomes effective on July 9, 1997.

(2) Following approval of the decommissioning plan, a licensee may reduce the amount of the financial assurance as decommissioning proceeds and radiological contamination is reduced at the site with the approval of the agency.

*f.* The agency may grant a request to extend the time periods established in 39.4(33) "d" if the agency determines that this request is not detrimental to the public health and safety and is otherwise in the public interest. The request must be submitted no later than 30 days before notification pursuant to 39.4(33) "d." The schedule for decommissioning set forth in 39.4(33) "d" of this subrule may not commence until the agency has made a determination on the request.

*g.* A decommissioning plan must be submitted if required by license conditions or if the procedures and activities necessary to carry out decommissioning of the site or separate building or outdoor area have not been previously approved by the agency and these procedures could increase the potential health and safety impacts to workers or to the public.

(1) Procedures having potential health and safety impacts include, but are not limited to:

1. Procedures that would involve techniques not applied routinely during cleanup or maintenance operations;
2. Workers that would be entering areas not normally occupied where surface contamination and radiation levels are significantly higher than routinely encountered during operation;
3. Procedures that could result in significantly greater airborne concentrations of radioactive material than are present during operation;
4. Procedures could result in significantly greater releases of radioactive material to the environment than those associated with operation.

(2) The agency may approve an alternate schedule for submittal of a decommissioning plan required pursuant to 39.4(33)“d” of this subrule if the agency determines that the alternate schedule is necessary to the effective conduct of decommissioning operations and presents no undue risk from radiation to the public health and safety and is otherwise in the public interest.

(3) Procedures such as those listed in 39.4(33)“g” with potential health and safety impacts may not be carried out prior to approval of the decommissioning plan.

(4) The proposed decommissioning plan for the site or separate building or outdoor area must include:

1. A description of the conditions of the site or separate building or outdoor area sufficient to evaluate the acceptability of the plan;
2. A description of planned decommissioning activities;
3. A description of the methods used to ensure protection of workers and the environment against radiation hazards during decommissioning;
4. A description of the planned final radiation survey; and
5. An updated detailed cost estimate for decommissioning, and a plan for ensuring the availability of adequate funds for completion of decommissioning.
6. A description of the physical security plan and material control and accounting plan provisions in place during decommissioning.
7. For decommissioning plans calling for completion of decommissioning later than 24 months after plan approval, the plan shall include justification for the delay based on the criteria in paragraph “i” of this subrule.

(5) The proposed decommissioning plan will be approved by the agency if the information therein demonstrates that the decommissioning will be completed as soon as practicable and that the health and safety of workers and the public will be adequately protected.

*h.* Except as provided in 39.4(33)“i,” licensees shall complete decommissioning of the site or separate building or outdoor area as soon as practicable but no later than 24 months following the initiation of decommissioning. When the decommissioning involves the entire site, the licensee shall request license termination as soon as practicable but no later than 24 months following the initiation of decommissioning.

*i.* The agency may approve a request for an alternative schedule for completion of decommissioning of the site or separate building or outdoor area, and license termination if appropriate, if the agency determines that the alternative is warranted by consideration of the following:

- (1) It is technically feasible to complete decommissioning within the allotted 24-month period;
- (2) Sufficient waste disposal capacity is available to allow completion of decommissioning within the allotted 24-month period;
- (3) A significant volume reduction exposure to workers can be achieved by allowing short-lived radionuclides to decay;
- (4) A significant reduction in radiation exposure to workers can be achieved by allowing short-lived radionuclides to decay; and
- (5) Other site-specific factors which the agency may consider appropriate on a case-by-case basis, such as the regulatory requirements of other government agencies, lawsuits, groundwater treatment activities, monitored natural groundwater restoration, actions that could result in more environmental harm than a deferred cleanup, and other factors beyond the controls of the licensee.

*j.* As the final step in decommissioning, the licensee shall:

- (1) Certify the disposition of all licensed material, including accumulated wastes, by submitting a completed IDPH Form 588-2793 or equivalent information; and
- (2) Conduct a radiation survey of the premises where the licensed activities were carried out and submit a report of the results of this survey unless the licensee demonstrates in some other manner that the premises are suitable for release in accordance with the criteria for decommissioning in 641—40.28(136C) through 641—40.31(136C). The licensee shall, as appropriate:

1. Report levels of gamma radiation in units of millisieverts (microrentgen) per hour at one meter from surfaces, and report the level of radioactivity, including alpha and beta, in units of disintegrations per

minute or microcuries (megabecquerels) per 100 square centimeters (removable and fixed) for surfaces, microcuries (megabecquerels) per liter for water, and becquerels (picocuries) per gram for solids such as soils or concrete; and

2. Specify the survey instrument(s) used and certify that each instrument is properly calibrated and tested.

k. Specific licenses, including expired licenses, will be terminated by written notice to the licensee when the agency determines that:

(1) By-product material has been properly disposed;

(2) Reasonable effort has been made to eliminate residual radioactive contamination, if present; and

(3) A radiation survey has been performed which demonstrates that the premises are suitable for release or other information submitted by the licensee is sufficient to demonstrate that the premises are suitable for release in accordance with the criteria for decommissioning in 641—40.28(136C) through 641—40.31(136C).

(4) Records required by 39.4(52) “e” and 39.4(52) “g” have been received.

l. Prior to license termination, each licensee authorized to possess radioactive material with a half-life greater than 120 days, in an unsealed form, shall forward the following records to the agency:

(1) Disposal of licensed material (including burials authorized before January 28, 1981), made under 641—40.71(136C) through 40.74(136C); and

(2) Records required by 641—paragraph 40.82(2) “d.”

m. If licensed activities are transferred or assigned in accordance with 39.4(32) “b,” each licensee authorized to possess radioactive material with a half-life greater than 120 days, in an unsealed form, shall transfer the following records to the new licensee and the new licensee will be responsible for maintaining these records until the license is terminated:

(1) Records of disposal of licensed material (including burials authorized before January 28, 1981), made under 641—40.71(136C) through 40.74(136C); and

(2) Records required by 641—paragraph 40.82(2) “d.”

n. Prior to license termination, each licensee shall forward the records required by 39.4(26) “g” to the agency.

**39.4(34) *Renewal of licenses.***

a. Applications for renewal of specific licenses shall be filed in accordance with 39.4(24) and include the fees required in 641—subrule 38.8(2).

b. In any case in which a licensee, not less than 30 days prior to expiration of an existing license, has filed an application in proper form for renewal or for a new license authorizing the same activities, such existing license shall not expire until final action by the agency.

**39.4(35) *Amendment of licenses at request of licensee.*** Applications for amendment of a license shall be filed in accordance with 39.4(24), include the fees required in 641—subrule 38.8(2), and shall specify the respects in which the licensee desires the license to be amended and the grounds for such amendment.

**39.4(36) *Agency action on applications to renew or amend.*** In considering an application by a licensee to renew or amend the license, the agency will apply the criteria set forth in 39.4(25), 39.4(27), 39.4(28), and 39.4(29) and in 641—Chapters 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 and 45, as applicable.

**39.4(37) *Persons possessing a license for source, by-product, or special nuclear material in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass on effective date of these rules.*** Any person who, on the effective date of these rules, possesses a general or specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for source, by-product, or special nuclear material in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass, shall be deemed to possess a like license issued under this chapter and the Iowa Code, such license to expire either 90 days after receipt from the agency of a notice of expiration of such license, or on the date or expiration specified in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission license, whichever is earlier.

**39.4(38) *Persons possessing naturally occurring and accelerator-produced radioactive material on effective date of these rules.*** Any person who, on the effective date of these rules, possesses NARM for which a specific license is required by the Iowa Code or this chapter shall be deemed to possess such a



license issued under the Iowa Code and this chapter. Such license shall expire 90 days after the effective date of these rules; provided, however, that if within the 90 days the person possessing such material files an application in proper form for a license, such existing license shall not expire until the application has been finally determined by the agency.

**39.4(39) and 39.4(40)** Reserved.

**39.4(41)** *Transfer of material.*

a. No licensee shall transfer radioactive material except as authorized pursuant to 39.4(41).

b. Except as otherwise provided in the license and subject to the provisions of 39.4(41) “c” and “d,” any licensee may transfer radioactive material:

(1) To the agency (a licensee may transfer material to the agency only after receiving prior approval from the agency);

(2) To the U.S. Department of Energy;

(3) To any person exempt from these rules to the extent permitted under such exemption;

(4) To any person authorized to receive such material under terms of a general license or its equivalent, or a specific license or equivalent licensing document, issued by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, any agreement state or any licensing state, or to any person otherwise authorized to receive such material by the federal government or any agency thereof, the agency, an agreement state, or a licensing state; or

(5) As otherwise authorized by the agency in writing.

c. Before transferring radioactive material to a specific licensee of the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state or a licensing state, or to a general licensee who is required to register with the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state or a licensing state prior to receipt of the radioactive material, the licensee transferring the material shall verify that the transferee’s license authorizes the receipt of the type, form, and quantity of radioactive material to be transferred.

d. Any of the following methods for the verification required by 39.4(41) “c” is acceptable:

(1) The transferor may possess and read a current copy of the transferee’s specific license or registration certificate.

(2) The transferor may possess a written certification by the transferee that the transferee is authorized by license or registration certificate to receive the type, form, and quantity of radioactive material to be transferred, specifying the license or registration certificate number, issuing agency, and expiration date.

(3) For emergency shipments, the transferor may accept oral certification by the transferee that the transferee is authorized by license or registration certificate to receive the type, form, and quantity of radioactive material to be transferred, specifying the license or registration certificate number, issuing agency, and expiration date, provided that the oral certification is confirmed in writing within ten days.

(4) The transferor may obtain other information compiled by a reporting service from official records of the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state regarding the identity of licensees and the scope and expiration dates of licenses and registration.

(5) When none of the methods of verification described in 39.4(41) “d”(1) through (4) are readily available or when a transferor desires to verify that information received by one of such methods is correct or up to date, the transferor may obtain and record confirmation from the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state that the transferee is licensed to receive the radioactive material.

e. Shipment and transport of radioactive material shall be in accordance with the provisions of 641—39.5(136C).

**39.4(42) to 39.4(50)** Reserved.

**39.4(51)** *Modification and revocation of licenses.*

a. The terms and conditions of all licenses shall be subject to amendment, revision, or modification or the license may be suspended or revoked by reason of amendments to the Iowa Code, or by reason of rules, regulations, and orders issued by the agency.

b. Any license may be revoked, suspended, or modified, in whole or in part, for any material false statement in the application or any statement of fact required under provisions of the Iowa Code, or because of conditions revealed by such application or statement of fact or any report, record, or inspection or other means which would warrant the agency to refuse to grant a license on an original application, or for violation of, or failure to observe any of the terms and conditions of the Iowa Code, or of the license, or of any rule, regulation, or order of the agency.

c. Except in cases of willfulness or those in which the public health, interest or safety requires otherwise, no license shall be modified, suspended, or revoked unless, prior to the institution of proceedings therefor, facts or conduct which may warrant such action shall have been called to the attention of the licensee in writing and the licensee shall have been accorded an opportunity to demonstrate or achieve compliance with all lawful requirements.

**39.4(52) Records.**

a. Each person who receives by-product material pursuant to a license shall keep records showing the receipt, transfer, and disposal of the by-product material as follows:

(1) The licensee shall retain each record of receipt of by-product material as long as the material is possessed and for three years following transfer or disposal of material.

(2) The licensee who transferred the material shall retain each record of transfer for three years after each transfer unless a specific requirement in another part of these rules dictates otherwise.

(3) The licensee who disposed of the material shall retain each record of disposal of by-product material until the agency terminates each license that authorizes disposal of the material.

b. The licensee shall retain each record that is required by these rules or by license condition for the period specified by the appropriate rule or license condition; the record must be retained until the agency terminates each license that authorizes the activity that is subject to the record-keeping requirements.

c. Records which must be maintained may be the original or a reproduced copy or microfilm if such reproduced copy or microfilm is duly authenticated by authorized personnel and the microfilm is capable of producing a clear and legible copy after storage for the period specified by agency regulations. The record may also be stored in electronic media with the capability for producing legible, accurate, and complete records during the required retention period. Records such as letters, drawings and specifications must include all pertinent information such as stamps, initials, and signatures. The licensee shall maintain adequate safeguards against tampering with and loss of records.

d. If there is a conflict between the agency's rules or other written agency approval or authorization pertaining to the retention period for the same type of record, the retention period specified in these rules for such records shall apply unless the agency has granted a specific exemption from the record retention requirements specified in agency rules.

e. Prior to license termination, each licensee authorized to possess radioactive material with a half-life greater than 120 days, in an unsealed form, shall forward the following records to the agency:

(1) Records of disposal of licensed material made under 641—40.71(136C) (including burials authorized before January 28, 1981) to 641—40.74(136C); and

(2) Records required by 641—paragraph 40.82(2)“d.”

f. If licensed activities are transferred or assigned, each licensee authorized to possess radioactive material, with a half-life greater than 120 days, in an unsealed form, shall transfer the following records to the new licensee and the new licensee will be responsible for maintaining these records until the license is terminated:

(1) Records of disposal of licensed material made under 40.71(136C) (including burials authorized before January 28, 1981) to 641—40.74(136C); and

(2) Records required by 641—paragraph 40.82(2)“d.”

g. Prior to license termination, each licensee shall forward the records required by subrule 39.4(26) to the agency.

**39.4(53) to 39.4(89) Reserved.**

**39.4(90) Reciprocal recognition of licenses.**

a. Licenses of by-product, source, and special nuclear material in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass.

(1) Subject to 641—Chapter 39, any person who holds a specific license from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state, and issued by the agency having jurisdiction where the licensee maintains an office for directing the licensed activity and at which radiation safety records are normally maintained, is hereby granted a general license to conduct the activities authorized in such licensing document within this state for a period not in excess of 180 days in a one-year period. The one-year period starts on the day the licensee's reciprocity fee, as specified in 641—subrule 38.8(8), is received by the agency and ends exactly 365 days later. Licensees are responsible for ensuring they do not exceed the 180-day limit within the one-year period and must apply for renewal 30 days prior to the expiration date of the one-year reciprocal recognition period. Out-of-state persons wishing to operate in the state in excess of 180 calendar days must obtain an Iowa radioactive materials license.

(2) The licensing document referenced in 39.4(90) "a"(1) shall not limit the activity authorized by such document to specified installations or locations.

(3) The out-of-state licensee shall notify the agency in writing at least three working days prior to engaging in activities in the state. Such notification shall indicate the location, period, and type of proposed possession and use within the state, and shall be accompanied by a copy of the pertinent licensing document initially. If, for a specific case, the three-day period would impose an undue hardship on the out-of-state licensee, the licensee may, upon application to the agency, obtain permission to proceed sooner. The agency may waive the requirement for filing additional written notifications during the remainder of the one-year reciprocity period following the receipt of the initial notification from a person engaging in activities under the general license provided by 39.4(90) "a."

(4) The out-of-state licensee shall comply with all applicable rules of the agency and with all the terms and conditions of the licensing document, except any such terms and conditions which may be inconsistent with applicable rules of the agency.

(5) The out-of-state licensee shall supply other information as the agency may request.

(6) The out-of-state licensee shall not transfer or dispose of radioactive material possessed or used under the general license provided by 39.4(90) "a" except by transfer to a person:

1. Specifically licensed by the agency, another agreement state or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to receive such material, or

2. Exempt from the requirements for a license for such material under 39.4(3) "a."

(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of 39.4(90) "a"(1), any person who holds a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state authorizing the holder to manufacture, transfer, install, or service a device described in 39.4(22) "d"(1) within areas subject to the jurisdiction of the licensing body is hereby granted a general license to install, transfer, demonstrate, or service such a device in this state provided that:

1. Such person shall file a report with the agency within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter in which any device is transferred to or installed in this state. Each such report shall identify each general licensee to whom such device is transferred by name and address, the type of device transferred, and the quantity and type of radioactive material contained in the device;

2. The device has been manufactured, labeled, installed, and serviced in accordance with applicable provisions of the specific license issued to such person by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state;

3. Such person shall ensure that any labels required to be affixed to the device under regulations of the authority which licensed manufacture of the device bear a statement that "Removal of this label is prohibited"; and

4. The holder of the specific license shall furnish to each general licensee to whom the holder transfers such device or on whose premises the holder installs such device a copy of the general license contained in 39.4(22) "d" or in equivalent regulations of the agency having jurisdiction over the manufacture and distribution of the device.

(8) The agency may withdraw, limit, or qualify its acceptance of any specific license or equivalent licensing document issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state, or any product distributed pursuant to such licensing document, upon determining that such action is necessary in order to prevent undue hazard to public health and safety or property.

(9) The agency may revoke or suspend an out-of-state radiographer's ID card issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, a licensing state, or another agreement state in accordance with the provisions of 641—45.1(10) "h."

*b.* Licenses of naturally occurring or accelerator-produced radioactive material.

(1) Subject to 641—Chapter 39, any person who holds a specific license from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state, and issued by the agency having jurisdiction where the licensee maintains an office for directing the licensed activity and at which radiation safety records are normally maintained, is hereby granted a general license to conduct the activities authorized in such licensing document within this state for a period not in excess of 180 days in a one-year period. The one-year period starts on the day the licensee's reciprocity fee, as specified in 641—subrule 38.8(8), is received by the agency and ends exactly 365 days later. Licensees are responsible for ensuring they do not exceed the 180-day limit within the one-year period and must apply for renewal 30 days prior to the expiration date of the one-year reciprocal recognition period. Out-of-state persons wishing to operate in the state in excess of 180 calendar days must obtain an Iowa radioactive materials license, which requires that the person have a permanent office in Iowa where records are maintained pertaining to licensed activities and where material can be stored, and must have at least one full-time employee and a telephone.

(2) The licensing document referenced in 39.4(90) "a"(1) shall not limit the activity authorized by such document to specified installations or locations.

(3) The out-of-state licensee shall notify the agency in writing at least three days prior to engaging in activities in the state. Such notification shall indicate the location, period, and type of proposed possession and use within the state, and shall be accompanied by a copy of the pertinent licensing document initially. If, for a specific case, the three-day period would impose an undue hardship on the out-of-state licensee, the licensee may, upon application to the agency, obtain permission to proceed sooner. The agency may waive the requirement for filing additional written notifications during the remainder of the one-year reciprocity period following the receipt of the initial notification from a person engaging in activities under the general license provided by 39.4(90) "b."

(4) The out-of-state licensee shall comply with all applicable rules of the agency and with all the terms and conditions of the licensing document, except any such terms and conditions which may be inconsistent with applicable rules of the agency.

(5) The out-of-state licensee shall supply other information as the agency may request.

(6) The out-of-state licensee shall not transfer or dispose of radioactive material possessed or used under the general license provided by 39.4(90) "b" except by transfer to a person:

1. Specifically licensed by the agency, another agreement state or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to receive such material, or

2. Exempt from the requirements for a license for such material under 39.4(3) "a."

(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of 39.4(90) "b"(1), any person who holds a specific license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state authorizing the holder to manufacture, transfer, install, or service a device described in 39.4(22) "d"(1) within areas subject to the jurisdiction of the licensing body is hereby granted a general license to install, transfer, demonstrate, or service such a device in this state provided that:

1. Such person shall file a report with the agency within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter in which any device is transferred to or installed in this state. Each such report shall identify each general licensee to whom such device is transferred by name and address, the type of device transferred, and the quantity and type of radioactive material contained in the device;

2. The device has been manufactured, labeled, installed, and serviced in accordance with applicable provisions of the specific license issued to such person by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state;

3. Such person shall ensure that any labels required to be affixed to the device under regulations of the authority which licensed manufacture of the device bear a statement that "Removal of this label is prohibited"; and

4. The holder of the specific license shall furnish to each general licensee to whom the holder transfers such device or on whose premises the holder installs such device a copy of the general license contained in 39.4(22) "d" or in equivalent regulations of the agency having jurisdiction over the manufacture and distribution of the device.

(8) The agency may withdraw, limit, or qualify its acceptance of any specific license or equivalent licensing document issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an agreement state, or any product distributed pursuant to such licensing document, upon determining that such action is necessary in order to prevent undue hazard to public health and safety or property.

(9) The agency may revoke or suspend an out-of-state radiographer's ID card issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, a licensing state, or another agreement state in accordance with the provisions of 641—45.1(10) "h."

**39.4(91) to 39.4(104) Reserved.**

**641—39.5(136C) Transportation of radioactive material.** All persons who transport radioactive material or deliver radioactive material to a carrier for transport must comply with the applicable provisions contained in 10 CFR Part 71 and 49 CFR Parts 170 through 189. The regulations in 10 CFR Part 71 apply to any licensee authorized by specific or general license to receive, possess, use, or transfer licensed material, if the licensee delivers that material to a carrier for transport, transports the material outside the site of usage, or transports that material on public highways. No provision of 10 CFR Part 71 authorizes possession of licensed material.

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX A  
EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS

Element (atomic number)	Radionuclide	Column I Gas concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>1/</u>	Column II Liquid and solid concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>2/</u>
Antimony (51)	Sb-122		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sb-124		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sb-125		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Argon (18)	Ar-37	$1 \times 10^{-3}$	
	Ar-41	$4 \times 10^{-7}$	
Arsenic (33)	As-73		$5 \times 10^{-3}$
	As-74		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
	As-76		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
	As-77		$8 \times 10^{-4}$
Barium (56)	Ba-131		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Ba-140		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Beryllium (4)	Be-7		$2 \times 10^{-2}$
Bismuth (83)	Bi-206		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Bromine (35)	Br-82	$4 \times 10^{-7}$	$3 \times 10^{-3}$
Cadmium (48)	Cd-109		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Cd-115m		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Cd-115		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Calcium (20)	Ca-45		$9 \times 10^{-5}$
	Ca-47		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
Carbon (6)	C-14	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	$8 \times 10^{-3}$
Cerium (58)	Ce-141		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
	Ce-143		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
	Ce-144		$1 \times 10^{-4}$
Cesium (55)	Cs-131		$2 \times 10^{-2}$
	Cs-134m		$6 \times 10^{-2}$
	Cs-134		$9 \times 10^{-5}$
Chlorine (17)	Cl-38	$9 \times 10^{-7}$	$4 \times 10^{-3}$
Chromium (24)	Cr-51		$2 \times 10^{-2}$
Cobalt (27)	Co-57		$5 \times 10^{-3}$
	Co-58		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Co-60		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
Copper (29)	Cu-64		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
Dysprosium (66)	Dy-165		$4 \times 10^{-3}$
	Dy-166		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Erbium (68)	Er-169		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
	Er-171		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Europium (63)	Eu-152(9.2 h)		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	Eu-155		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
Fluorine (9)	F-18	$2 \times 10^{-6}$	$8 \times 10^{-3}$

Element (atomic number)	Radionuclide	Column I Gas concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>1/</u>	Column II Liquid and solid concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>2/</u>
Gadolinium (64)	Gd-153		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Gd-159		$8 \times 10^{-4}$
Gallium (31)	Ga-72		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Germanium (32)	Ge-71		$2 \times 10^{-2}$
Gold (79)	Au-196		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Au-198		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
	Au-199		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
Hafnium (72)	Hf-181		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
Hydrogen (1)	H-3	$5 \times 10^{-6}$	$3 \times 10^{-2}$
Indium (49)	In-113m		$1 \times 10^{-2}$
	In-114m		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Iodine (53)	I-126	$3 \times 10^{-9}$	$2 \times 10^{-5}$
	I-131	$3 \times 10^{-9}$	$2 \times 10^{-5}$
	I-132	$8 \times 10^{-8}$	$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	I-133	$1 \times 10^{-8}$	$7 \times 10^{-5}$
	I-134	$2 \times 10^{-7}$	$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Iridium (77)	Ir-190		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Ir-192		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
	Ir-194		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Iron (26)	Fe-55		$8 \times 10^{-3}$
	Fe-59		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
Krypton (36)	Kr-85m	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	
	Kr-85	$3 \times 10^{-6}$	
Lanthanum (57)	La-140		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Lead (82)	Pb-203		$4 \times 10^{-3}$
Lutetium (71)	Lu-177		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Manganese (25)	Mn-52		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Mn-54		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Mn-56		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Mercury (80)	Hg-197m		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Hg-197		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
	Hg-203		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Molybdenum (42)	Mo-99		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
Neodymium (60)	Nd-147		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	Nd-149		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
Nickel (28)	Ni-65		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Niobium (Columbium) (41)	Nb-95		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Nb-97		$9 \times 10^{-3}$
Osmium (76)	Os-185		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
	Os-191m		$3 \times 10^{-2}$
	Os-191		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Os-193		$6 \times 10^{-4}$

Element (atomic number)	Radionuclide	Column	Column
		I Gas concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>1/</u>	II Liquid and solid concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>2/</u>
Palladium (46)	Pd-103		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
	Pd-109		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
Phosphorus (15)	P-32		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Platinum (78)	Pt-191		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Pt-193m		$1 \times 10^{-2}$
	Pt-197m		$1 \times 10^{-2}$
	Pt-197		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Potassium (19)	K-42		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
Praseodymium (59)	Pr-142		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Pr-143		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
Promethium (61)	Pm-147		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Pm-149		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Rhenium (75)	Re-183		$6 \times 10^{-3}$
	Re-186		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
	Re-188		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
Rhodium (45)	Rh-103m		$1 \times 10^{-1}$
	Rh-105		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Rubidium (37)	Rb-86		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
Ruthenium (44)	Ru-97		$4 \times 10^{-3}$
	Ru-103		$8 \times 10^{-4}$
	Ru-105		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Ru-106		$1 \times 10^{-4}$
Samarium (62)	Sm-153		$8 \times 10^{-4}$
Scandium (21)	Sc-46		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sc-47		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sc-48		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Selenium (34)	Se-75		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
Silicon (14)	Si-31		$9 \times 10^{-3}$
Silver (47)	Ag-105		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Ag-110m		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Ag-111		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Sodium (11)	Na-24		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
Strontium (38)	Sr-85		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Sr-89		$1 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sr-91		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sr-92		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
Sulfur (16)	S-35	$9 \times 10^{-8}$	$6 \times 10^{-4}$
Tantalum (73)	Ta-182		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Technetium (43)	Tc-96m		$1 \times 10^{-1}$
	Tc-96		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Tellurium (52)	Te-125m		$2 \times 10^{-3}$
	Te-127m		$6 \times 10^{-4}$



Element (atomic number)	Radionuclide	Column I	Column II
		Gas concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>1/</u>	Liquid and solid concentration $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ <u>2/</u>
	Te-127		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
	Te-129m		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Te-131m		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	Te-132		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Terbium (65)	Tb-160		$4 \times 10^{-4}$
Thallium (81)	Tl-200		$4 \times 10^{-3}$
	Tl-201		$3 \times 10^{-3}$
	Tl-202		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Tl-204		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Thulium (69)	Tm-170		$5 \times 10^{-4}$
	Tm-171		$5 \times 10^{-3}$
Tin (50)	Sn-113		$9 \times 10^{-4}$
	Sn-125		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Tungsten (Wolfram) (74)	W-181		$4 \times 10^{-3}$
	W-187		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
Vanadium (23)	V-48		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Xenon (54)	Xe-131m	$4 \times 10^{-6}$	
	Xe-133	$3 \times 10^{-6}$	
	Xe-135	$1 \times 10^{-6}$	
Ytterbium (70)	Yb-175		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
Yttrium (39)	Y-90		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
	Y-91m		$3 \times 10^{-2}$
	Y-91		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
	Y-92		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	Y-93		$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Zinc (30)	Zn-65		$1 \times 10^{-3}$
	Zn-69m		$7 \times 10^{-4}$
	Zn-69		$2 \times 10^{-2}$
Zirconium (40)	Zr-95		$6 \times 10^{-4}$
	Zr-97		$2 \times 10^{-4}$
Beta- and/or gamma-emitting radioactive material not listed above with half-life of less than 3 years.		$1 \times 10^{-10}$	$1 \times 10^{-6}$

1/ Values are given in Column I only for those materials normally used as gases.

2/  $\mu\text{Ci/g}$  for solids.

NOTE 1: Many radionuclides transform into other radionuclides. In expressing the concentrations in Appendix A, the activity stated is that of the parent radionuclide and takes into account the radioactive decay products.

NOTE 2: For purposes of 39.4(3) where there is involved a combination of radionuclides, the limit for the combination should be derived as follows: Determine for each radionuclide in the product the ratio between the radioactivity concentration present in the product and the exempt radioactivity concentration established in Appendix A for the specific radionuclide when not in combination. The sum of such ratios may not exceed "1."

EXAMPLE: Concentration of Radionuclide A in Product +

Exempt concentration of Radionuclide A

Concentration of Radionuclide B in Product <1

Exempt concentration of Radionuclide B

NOTE 3: To convert  $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$  to SI units of megabecquerels per liter multiply the above values by 37.

EXAMPLE: Zirconium (40) Zr-97 ( $2 \times 10^{-4} \mu\text{Ci/ml}$  multiplied by 37 is equivalent to  $74 \times 10^{-4} \text{MBq/l}$ )

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX B  
EXEMPT QUANTITIES

Radioactive Material	Microcuries
Antimony-122 (Sb 122)	100
Antimony-124 (Sb 124)	10
Antimony-125 (Sb 125)	10
Arsenic-73 (As 73)	100
Arsenic-74 (As 74)	10
Arsenic-76 (As 76)	10
Arsenic-77 (As 77)	100
Barium-131 (Ba 131)	10
Barium-133 (Ba 133)	10
Barium-140 (Ba 140)	10
Bismuth-210 (Bi 210)	1
Bromine-82 (Br 82)	10
Cadmium-109 (Cd 109)	10
Cadmium-115m (Cd 115m)	10
Cadmium-115 (Cd 115)	100
Calcium-45 (Ca 45)	10
Calcium-47 (Ca 47)	10
Carbon-14 (C 14)	100
Cerium-141 (Ce 141)	100
Cerium-143 (Ce 143)	100
Cerium-144 (Ce 144)	1
Cesium-129 (Cs 129)	100
Cesium-131 (Cs 131)	1,000
Cesium-134m (Cs 134m)	100
Cesium-134 (Cs 134)	1
Cesium-135 (Cs 135)	10
Cesium-136 (Cs 136)	10
Cesium-137 (Cs 137)	10
Chlorine-36 (Cl 36)	10
Chlorine-38 (Cl 38)	10
Chromium-51 (Cr 51)	1,000
Cobalt-57 (Co 57)	100
Cobalt-58m (Co 58m)	10
Cobalt-58 (Co 58)	10
Cobalt-60 (Co 60)	1
Copper-64 (Cu 64)	100
Dysprosium-165 (Dy 165)	10
Dysprosium-166 (Dy 166)	100
Erbium-169 (Er 169)	100
Erbium-171 (Er 171)	100
Europium-152 (Eu 152)9.2h	100
Europium-152 (Eu 152)13 yr	1

Radioactive Material	Microcuries
Europium-154 (Eu 154)	1
Europium-155 (Eu 155)	10
Fluorine-18 (F 18)	1,000
Gadolinium-153 (Gd 153)	10
Gadolinium-159 (Gd 159)	100
Gallium-67 (Ga 67)	100
Gallium-72 (Ga 72)	10
Germanium-68 (Ge 68)	10
Germanium-71 (Ge 71)	100
Gold-195 (Au 195)	10
Gold-198 (Au 198)	100
Gold-199 (Au 199)	100
Hafnium-181 (Hf 181)	10
Holmium-166 (Ho 166)	100
Hydrogen-3 (H 3)	1,000
Indium-111 (In 111)	100
Indium-113m (In 113m)	100
Indium-114m (In 114m)	10
Indium-115m (In 115m)	100
Indium-115 (In 115)	10
Iodine-123 (I 123)	100
Iodine-125 (I 125)	1
Iodine-126 (I 126)	1
Iodine-129 (I 129)	0.1
Iodine-131 (I 131)	1
Iodine-132 (I 132)	10
Iodine-133 (I 133)	1
Iodine-134 (I 134)	10
Iodine-135 (I 135)	10
Iridium-192 (Ir 192)	10
Iridium-194 (Ir 194)	100
Iron-52 (Fe 52)	10
Iron-55 (Fe 55)	100
Iron-59 (Fe 59)	10
Krypton-85 (Kr 85)	100
Krypton-87 (Kr 87)	10
Lanthanum-140 (La 140)	10
Lutetium-177 (Lu 177)	100
Manganese-52 (Mn 52)	10
Manganese-54 (Mn 54)	10
Manganese-56 (Mn 56)	10
Mercury-197m (Hg 197m)	100
Mercury-197 (Hg 197)	100
Mercury-203 (Hg 203)	10

Radioactive Material	Microcuries
Molybdenum-99 (Mo 99)	100
Neodymium-147 (Nd 147)	100
Neodymium-149 (Nd 149)	100
Nickel-59 (Ni 59)	100
Nickel-63 (Ni 63)	10
Nickel-65 (Ni 65)	100
Niobium-93m (Nb 93m)	10
Niobium-95 (Nb 95)	10
Niobium-97 (Nb 97)	10
Osmium-185 (Os 185)	10
Osmium-191m (Os 191m)	100
Osmium-191 (Os 191)	100
Osmium-193 (Os 193)	100
Palladium-103 (Pd 103)	100
Palladium-109 (Pd 109)	100
Phosphorus-32 (P 32)	10
Platinum-191 (Pt 191)	100
Platinum-193m (Pt 193m)	100
Platinum-193 (Pt 193)	100
Platinum-197m (Pt 197m)	100
Platinum-197 (Pt 197)	100
Polonium-210 (Po 210)	0.1
Potassium-42 (K 42)	10
Potassium-43 (K 43)	10
Praseodymium-142 (Pr 142)	100
Praseodymium-143 (Pr 143)	100
Promethium-147 (Pm 147)	10
Promethium-149 (Pm 149)	10
Rhenium-186 (Re 186)	100
Rhenium-188 (Re 188)	100
Rhodium-103m (Rh 103m)	100
Rhodium-105 (Rh 105)	100
Rubidium-81 (Rb 81)	10
Rubidium-86 (Rb 86)	10
Rubidium-87 (Rb 87)	10
Ruthenium-97 (Ru 97)	100
Ruthenium-103 (Ru 103)	10
Ruthenium-105 (Ru 105)	10
Ruthenium-106 (Ru 106)	1
Samarium-151 (Sm 151)	10
Samarium-153 (Sm 153)	100
Scandium-46 (Sc 46)	10
Scandium-47 (Sc 47)	100
Scandium-48 (Sc 48)	10

Radioactive Material	Microcuries
Selenium-75 (Se 75)	10
Silicon-31 (Si 31)	100
Silver-105 (Ag 105)	10
Silver-110m (Ag 110m)	1
Silver-111 (Ag 111)	100
Sodium-22 (Na 22)	10
Sodium-24 (Na 24)	10
Strontium-85 (Sr 85)	10
Strontium-89 (Sr 89)	1
Strontium-90 (Sr 90)	0.1
Strontium-91 (Sr 91)	10
Strontium-92 (Sr 92)	10
Sulphur-35 (S 35)	100
Tantalum-182 (Ta 182)	10
Technetium-96 (Tc 96)	10
Technetium-97m (Tc 97m)	100
Technetium-97 (Tc 97)	100
Technetium-99m (Tc 99m)	100
Technetium-99 (Tc 99)	10
Tellurium-125m (Te 125m)	10
Tellurium-127m (Te 127m)	10
Tellurium-127 (Te 127)	100
Tellurium-129m (Te 129m)	10
Tellurium-129 (Te 129)	100
Tellurium-131m (Te 131m)	10
Tellurium-132 (Te 132)	10
Terbium-160 (Tb 160)	10
Thallium-200 (Tl 200)	100
Thallium-201 (Tl 201)	100
Thallium-202 (Tl 202)	100
Thallium-204 (Tl 204)	10
Thulium-170 (Tm 170)	10
Thulium-171 (Tm 171)	10
Tin-113 (Sn 113)	10
Tin-125 (Sn 125)	10
Tungsten-181 (W 181)	10
Tungsten-185 (W 185)	10
Tungsten-187 (W 187)	100
Vanadium-48 (V 48)	10
Xenon-131m (Xe 131m)	1,000
Xenon-133 (Xe 133)	100
Xenon-135 (Xe 135)	100
Ytterbium-175 (Yb 175)	100
Yttrium-87 (Y 87)	10

Radioactive Material	Microcuries
Yttrium-88 (Y 88)	10
Yttrium-90 (Y 90)	10
Yttrium-91 (Y 91)	10
Yttrium-92 (Y 92)	100
Yttrium-93 (Y 93)	100
Zinc-65 (Zn 65)	10
Zinc-69m (Zn 69m)	100
Zinc-69 (Zn 69)	1,000
Zirconium-93 (Zr 93)	10
Zirconium-95 (Zr 95)	10
Zirconium-97 (Zr 97)	10
Any radioactive material not listed above other than alpha-emitting radioactive material	0.1

NOTE 1: For purposes of 39.4(25) “f”(5)“2” where there is involved a combination of radionuclides, the limit for the combination should be derived as follows:

Determine the amount of each radionuclide possessed and 1,000 times the amount in Appendix B for each of those radionuclides when not in combination. The sum of the ratios of those quantities may not exceed 1.

EXAMPLE:

$$\frac{\text{Amt. of Radionuclide A possessed}}{1000 \times \text{Appendix B quantity for Radionuclide A}} + \frac{\text{Amt. of Radionuclide B possessed}}{1000 \times \text{Appendix B quantity for Radionuclide B}} \leq 1$$

NOTE 2: To convert microcuries ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ ) to SI units of kilobecquerels (kBq), multiply the above values by 37.

EXAMPLE: Zirconium-97 (10  $\mu\text{Ci}$  multiplied by 37 is equivalent to 370 kBq).

## CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX D

## LIMITS FOR BROAD LICENSES (39.4(28))

Radioactive Material	Column I curies	Column II curies
Antimony-122	1	0.01
Antimony-124	1	0.01
Antimony-125	1	0.01
Arsenic-73	10	0.1
Arsenic-74	1	0.01
Arsenic-76	1	0.01
Arsenic-77	10	0.1
Barium-131	10	0.1
Barium-140	1	0.01
Beryllium-7	10	0.1
Bismuth-210	0.1	0.001
Bromine-82	10	0.1
Cadmium-109	1	0.01
Cadmium-115m	1	0.01
Cadmium-115	10	0.1
Calcium-45	1	0.01
Calcium-47	10	0.1
Carbon-14	100	1.
Cerium-141	10	0.1
Cerium-143	10	0.1
Cerium-144	0.1	0.001
Cesium-131	100	1.
Cesium-134m	100	1.
Cesium-134	0.1	0.001
Cesium-135	1	0.01
Cesium-136	10	0.1
Cesium-137	0.1	0.001
Chlorine-36	1	0.01
Chlorine-38	100	1.
Chromium-51	100	1.
Cobalt-57	10	0.1
Cobalt-58m	100	1.
Cobalt-58	1	0.01
Cobalt-60	0.1	0.001
Copper-64	10	0.1
Dysprosium-165	100	1.
Dysprosium-166	10	0.1
Erbium-169	10	0.1
Erbium-171	10	0.1
Europium-152 (9.2 h)	10	0.1
Europium-152 (13 y)	0.1	0.001



Radioactive Material	Column I curies	Column II curies
Europium-154	0.1	0.001
Europium-155	1	0.01
Fluorine-18	100	1.
Gadolinium-153	1	0.01
Gadolinium-159	10	0.1
Gallium-72	10	0.1
Germanium-71	100	1.
Gold-198	10	0.1
Gold-199	10	0.1
Hafnium-181	1	0.01
Holmium-166	10	0.1
Hydrogen-3	100	1.
Indium-113m	100	1.
Indium-114m	1	0.01
Indium-115m	100	1.
Indium-115	1	0.01
Iodine-125	0.1	0.001
Iodine-126	0.1	0.001
Iodine-129	0.1	0.001
Iodine-131	0.1	0.001
Iodine-132	10	0.1
Iodine-133	1	0.01
Iodine-134	10	0.1
Iodine-135	1	0.01
Iridium-192	1	0.01
Iridium-194	10	0.1
Iron-55	10	0.1
Iron-59	1	0.01
Krypton-85	100	1.
Krypton-87	10	0.1
Lanthanum-140	1	0.01
Lutetium-177	10	0.1
Manganese-52	1	0.01
Manganese-54	1	0.01
Manganese-56	10	0.1
Mercury-197m	10	0.1
Mercury-197	10	0.1
Mercury-203	1	0.01
Molybdenum-99	10	0.1
Neodymium-147	10	0.1
Neodymium-149	10	0.1
Nickel-59	10	0.1
Nickel-63	1	0.01
Nickel-65	10	0.1

Radioactive Material	Column I curies	Column II curies
Niobium-93m	1	0.01
Niobium-95	1	0.01
Niobium-97	100	1.
Osmium-185	1	0.01
Osmium-191m	100	1.
Osmium-191	10	0.1
Osmium-193	10	0.1
Palladium-103	10	0.1
Palladium-109	10	0.1
Phosphorus-32	1	0.01
Platinum-191	10	0.1
Platinum-193m	100	1.
Platinum-193	10	0.1
Platinum-197m	100	1.
Platinum-197	10	0.1
Polonium-210	0.01	0.0001
Potassium-42	1	0.01
Praseodymium-142	10	0.1
Praseodymium-143	10	0.1
Promethium-147	1	0.01
Promethium-149	10	0.1
Radium-226	0.01	0.0001
Rhenium-186	10	0.1
Rhenium-188	10	0.1
Rhodium-103m	1,000	10.
Rhodium-105	10	0.1
Rubidium-86	1	0.01
Rubidium-87	1	0.01
Ruthenium-97	100	1.
Ruthenium-103	1	0.01
Ruthenium-105	10	0.1
Ruthenium-106	0.1	0.001
Samarium-151	1	0.01
Samarium-153	10	0.1
Scandium-46	1	0.01
Scandium-47	10	0.1
Scandium-48	1	0.01
Selenium-75	1	0.01
Silicon-31	10	0.1
Silver-105	1	0.01
Silver-110m	0.1	0.001
Silver-111	10	0.1
Sodium-22	0.1	0.001
Sodium-24	1	0.01

Radioactive Material	Column I curies	Column II curies
Strontium-85m	1,000	10.
Strontium-85	1	0.01
Strontium-89	1	0.01
Strontium-90	0.01	0.0001
Strontium-91	10	0.1
Strontium-92	10	0.1
Sulphur-35	10	0.1
Tantalum-182	1	0.01
Technetium-96	10	0.1
Technetium-97m	10	0.1
Technetium-97	10	0.1
Technetium-99m	100	1.
Technetium-99	1	0.01
Tellurium-125m	1	0.01
Tellurium-127m	1	0.01
Tellurium-127	10	0.1
Tellurium-129m	1	0.01
Tellurium-129	100	1.
Tellurium-131m	10	0.1
Tellurium-132	1	0.01
Terbium-160	1	0.01
Thallium-200	10	0.1
Thallium-201	10	0.1
Thallium-202	10	0.1
Thallium-204	1	0.01
Thulium-170	1	0.01
Thulium-171	1	0.01
Tin-113	1	0.01
Tin-125	1	0.01
Tungsten-181	1	0.01
Tungsten-185	1	0.01
Tungsten-187	10	0.1
Vanadium-48	1	0.01
Xenon-131m	1,000	10.
Xenon-133	100	1.
Xenon-135	100	1.
Ytterbium-175	10	0.1
Yttrium-90	1	0.01
Yttrium-91	1	0.01
Yttrium-92	10	0.1
Yttrium-93	1	0.01
Zinc-65	1	0.01
Zinc-69m	10	0.1
Zinc-69	100	1.

Radioactive Material	Column I curies	Column II curies
Zirconium-93	1	0.01
Zirconium-95	1	0.01
Zirconium-97	1	0.01
Any radioactive material other than source material, special nuclear material, or alpha-emitting radioactive material not listed above.	0.1	0.001

NOTE 1: To convert curies (Ci) to SI units of gigabecquerels (GBq), multiply the above values by 37.

EXAMPLE: Zirconium-97 (Col. II) (0.01 Ci multiplied by 37 is equivalent to 0.37 GBq).

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX E  
DETERMINATION OF  $A_1$  AND  $A_2$   
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CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX F  
CRITERIA RELATING TO USE OF FINANCIAL TESTS AND PARENT COMPANY  
GUARANTEES FOR PROVIDING REASONABLE ASSURANCE  
OF FUNDS FOR DECOMMISSIONING

I. Introduction.

An applicant or licensee may provide reasonable assurance of the availability of funds for decommissioning based on obtaining a parent company guarantee that funds will be available for decommissioning costs and on a demonstration that the parent company passes a financial test. This appendix establishes criteria for passing the financial test and for obtaining the parent company guarantee.

II. Financial Test.

A. To pass the financial test, the parent company must meet the criteria of either paragraph A.1 or A.2 of this section:

1. The parent company must have:

(1) Two of the following three ratios: A ratio of total liabilities to net worth less than 2.0; a ratio of the sum of net income plus depreciation, depletion, and amortization to total liabilities greater than 0.1; a ratio of current assets to current liabilities greater than 1.5; and

(2) Net working capital and tangible net worth each at least six times the current decommissioning cost estimates (or prescribed amount if a certification is used); and

(3) Tangible net worth of at least \$10 million; and

(4) Assets located in the United States amounting to at least 90 percent of total assets or at least six times the current decommissioning cost estimates (or prescribed amount if a certification is used).

2. The parent company must have:

(1) A current rating for its most recent bond issuance of AAA, AA, A, or BBB as issued by Standard and Poor's or Aaa, Aa, or Baa as issued by Moody's; and

(2) Tangible net worth at least six times the current decommissioning cost estimate (or prescribed amount if a certification is used); and

(3) Tangible net worth of at least \$10 million; and

(4) Assets located in the United States amounting to at least 90 percent of total assets or at least six times the current decommissioning cost estimates (or prescribed amount if a certification is used).

B. The parent company's independent certified public accountant must have compared the data used by the parent company in the financial test, which is derived from the independently audited, year-end financial statements for the latest fiscal year, with the amounts in such financial statement. In connection with that procedure the licensee shall inform BRH within 90 days or any matters coming to the auditor's attention which cause the auditor to believe that the data specified in the financial test should be adjusted and that the company no longer passes the test.

C.1. After the initial financial test, the parent company must repeat the passage of the test within 90 days after the close of each succeeding fiscal year.

2. If the parent company no longer meets the requirements of paragraph A of this section, the licensee must send notice to the BRH of intent to establish alternate financial assurance as specified in BRH rules. The notice must be sent by certified mail within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year for which the year-end financial data show that the parent company no longer meets the financial test requirements. The licensee must provide alternate financial assurance within 120 days after the end of such fiscal year.

III. Parent Company Guarantee.

The terms of a parent company guarantee which an applicant or licensee obtains must provide that:

A. The parent company guarantee will remain in force unless the guarantor sends notice of cancellation by certified mail to the licensee and the BRH. Cancellation may not occur, however, during the 120 days beginning on the date of receipt of the notice of cancellation by both the licensee and BRH, as evidenced by the return receipts.

B. If the licensee fails to provide alternate financial assurance as specified in BRH rules within 90 days after receipt by the licensee and BRH notice of cancellation of the parent company guarantee from the guarantor, the guarantor will provide such alternative financial assurance in the name of the licensee.

C. The parent company guarantee and financial test provisions must remain in effect until the BRH has terminated the license.

D. If a trust is established for decommissioning costs, the trustee and trust must be acceptable to BRH. An acceptable trustee includes an appropriate state or federal government agency or an entity which has the authority to act as a trustee and whose trust operations are regulated and examined by a federal or state agency.

## CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX G

QUANTITIES OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS REQUIRING CONSIDERATION OF  
THE NEED FOR AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR RESPONDING TO A RELEASE

<u>Radioactive Material</u>	<u>Release Fraction</u>	<u>Quantity (curies)</u>
Actinium-228	0.001	4,000
Americium-241	.001	2
Americium-242	.001	2
Americium-243	.001	2
Antimony-124	.01	4,000
Antimony-126	.01	6,000
Barium-133	.01	10,000
Barium-140	.01	30,000
Bismuth-207	.01	5,000
Bismuth-210	.01	600
Cadmium-109	.01	1,000
Cadmium-113	.01	80
Calcium-45	.01	20,000
Californium-252	.001	9 (20 mg)
Carbon-14	.01	50,000
	Non CO	
Cerium-141	.01	10,000
Cerium-144	.01	300
Cesium-134	.01	2,000
Cesium-137	.01	3,000
Chlorine-36	.5	100
Chromium-51	.01	300,000
Cobalt-60	.001	5,000
Copper-64	.01	200,000
Curium-242	.001	60
Curium-243	.001	3
Curium-244	.001	4
Curium-245	.001	2
Europium-152	.01	500
Europium-154	.01	400
Europium-155	.01	3,000
Germanium-68	.01	2,000
Gadolinium-153	.01	5,000
Gold-198	.01	30,000
Hafnium-172	.01	400
Hafnium-173	.01	7,000
Holmium-166m	.01	100
Hydrogen-3	.5	20,000
Iodine-125	.5	10
Iodine-131	.5	10

<u>Radioactive Material</u>	<u>Release Fraction</u>	<u>Quantity (curies)</u>
Indium-114m	.01	1,000
Iridium-192	.001	40,000
Iron-55	.01	40,000
Iron-59	.01	7,000
Krypton-85	1.0	6,000,000
Lead-210	.01	8
Manganese-58	.01	60,000
Mercury-203	.01	10,000
Molybdenum-99	.01	30,000
Neptunium-237	.001	2
Nickel-63	.01	20,000
Niobium-94	.01	300
Phosphorus-32	.5	100
Phosphorus-33	.5	1,000
Polonium-210	.01	10
Potassium-42	.01	9,000
Promethium-145	.01	4,000
Promethium-147	.01	4,000
Ruthenium-106	.01	200
Samarium-151	.01	4,000
Scandium-46	.01	3,000
Selenium-75	.01	10,000
Silver-110m	.01	1,000
Sodium-22	.01	9,000
Sodium-24	.01	10,000
Strontium-89	.01	3,000
Strontium-90	.01	90
Sulfur-35	.5	900
Technetium-99	.01	10,000
Technetium-99m	.01	400,000
Tellurium-127m	.01	5,000
Tellurium-129m	.01	5,000
Terbium-160	.01	4,000
Thulium-170	.01	4,000
Tin-113	.01	10,000
Tin-123	.01	3,000
Tin-126	.01	1,000
Titanium-44	.01	100
Vanadium-48	.01	7,000
Xenon-133	1.0	900,000
Yttrium-91	.01	2,000
Zinc-65	.01	5,000
Zirconium-93	.01	400
Zirconium-95	.01	5,000



<u>Radioactive Material</u>	<u>Release Fraction</u>	<u>Quantity (curies)</u>
Any other beta-gamma emitter	.01	10,000
Mixed fission products	.01	1,000
Mixed corrosion products	.01	10,000
Contaminated equipment beta-gamma	.001	10,000
Irradiated material, any form other than solid noncombustible	.01	1,000
Irradiated material, solid noncombustible	.001	10,000
Mixed radioactive waste, beta-gamma	.01	1,000
Packaged mixed waste, beta-gamma <sup>2</sup>	.001	10,000
Any other alpha emitter	.001	2
Contaminated equipment, alpha	.0001	20
Packaged waste, alpha <sup>2</sup>	.0001	20
Combinations of radioactive materials listed above <sup>1</sup>	—	—

<sup>1</sup> For combinations of radioactive materials, consideration of the need for an emergency plan is required if the sum of the ratios of the quantity of each radioactive material authorized to the quantity listed for that material in Appendix G exceeds one.

<sup>2</sup> Waste packaged in Type B containers does not require an emergency plan.

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX H  
CRITERIA RELATING TO USE OF FINANCIAL TESTS AND SELF-GUARANTEES FOR  
PROVIDING REASONABLE ASSURANCE OF FUNDS FOR DECOMMISSIONING

I. Introduction

An applicant or licensee may provide reasonable assurance of the availability of funds for decommissioning based on furnishing its own guarantee that funds will be available for decommissioning costs and on a demonstration that the company passes the financial test of Section II of this appendix. The terms of the self-guarantee are in Section III of this appendix. This appendix establishes criteria for passing the financial test for the self-guarantee and establishes the terms for a self-guarantee.

II. Financial Test

A. To pass the financial test, a company must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Tangible net worth at least ten times the total current decommissioning cost estimate for the total of all facilities or parts thereof (or the current amount required if certification is used).
2. Assets located in the United States amounting to at least 90 percent of total assets or at least ten times the total current decommissioning cost estimate for the total of all facilities or parts thereof (or the current amount required if certification is used).
3. A current rating for its most recent bond issuance of AAA, AA, or A as issued by Standard and Poor's (S&P) or Aaa, Aa, or A as issued by Moody's.

B. To pass the financial test, a company must meet all of the following additional requirements:

1. The company must have at least one class of equity securities registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
2. The company's independent certified public accountant must have compared the data used by the company in the financial test, which is derived from the independently audited, year-end financial statements for the latest fiscal year, with the amounts in such financial statement. In connection with that procedure, the licensee shall inform the agency within 90 days of any matters coming to the attention of the auditor that cause the auditor to believe that the data specified in the financial test should be adjusted and that the company no longer passes the test.
3. After the initial financial test, the company must repeat passage of the test within 90 days after the close of each succeeding fiscal year.

C. If the licensee no longer meets the requirements of Section II.A. of this appendix, the licensee must send immediate notice to the agency of its intent to establish alternate financial assurance as specified in these rules within 120 days of such notice.

III. Company Self-Guarantee

The terms of a self-guarantee which an applicant or licensee furnishes must provide that:

A. The guarantee will remain in force unless the licensee sends notice of cancellation by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the agency. Cancellation may not occur, however, during the 120 days beginning on the date of receipt of the notice of cancellation by the agency, as evidenced by the return receipt.

B. The licensee shall provide alternative financial assurance as specified in these rules within 90 days following receipt by the agency of a notice of cancellation of the guarantee.

C. The guarantee and financial test provisions must remain in effect until the agency has terminated the license or until another financial assurance method acceptable to the agency has been put in effect by the licensee.

D. The licensee will promptly forward to the agency and the licensee's independent auditor all reports covering the latest fiscal year filed by the licensee with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

E. If, at any time, the licensee's most recent bond issuance ceases to be rated in any category of "A" or above by either Standard and Poor's or Moody's, the licensee will provide notice in writing of such fact to the agency within 20 days after publication of the change by the rating service. If the licensee's most recent bond issuance ceases to be rated in any category of "A" or above by both Standard and Poor's and Moody's, the licensee no longer meets the requirements of Section II.A. of this appendix.

F. The applicant or licensee must provide to the agency a written guarantee (a written commitment by a corporate officer) which states that the licensee will fund and carry out the required decommissioning activities or, upon issuance of an order by the agency, the licensee will set up and fund a trust in the amount of the current cost estimates for decommissioning.

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX I  
CRITERIA RELATING TO USE OF FINANCIAL TESTS AND SELF-GUARANTEES FOR  
PROVIDING REASONABLE ASSURANCE OF FUNDS FOR DECOMMISSIONING BY  
COMMERCIAL COMPANIES THAT HAVE NO OUTSTANDING RATED BONDS

I. Introduction

An applicant or licensee may provide reasonable assurance of the availability of funds for decommissioning based on furnishing its own guarantee that funds will be available for decommissioning costs and on a demonstration that the company passes the financial test of Section II of this appendix. The terms of the self-guarantee are in Section III of this appendix. This appendix establishes criteria for passing the financial test for the self-guarantee and establishes the terms for a self-guarantee.

II. Financial Test

A. To pass the financial test, a company must meet the following criteria:

1. Tangible net worth greater than \$10 million, or at least ten times the total current decommissioning cost estimate (or the current amount required if certification is used), whichever is greater, for all decommissioning activities for which the company is responsible as self-guaranteeing licensee and as parent-guarantor.

2. Assets located in the United States amounting to at least 90 percent of total assets or at least ten times the total current decommissioning cost estimate (or the current amount required if certification is used) for all decommissioning activities for which the company is responsible as self-guaranteeing licensee and as parent-guarantor.

3. A ratio of cash flow divided by total liabilities greater than 0.15 and a ratio of total liabilities divided by net worth less than 1.5.

B. In addition, to pass the financial test, a company must meet all of the following requirements:

1. The company's independent certified public accountant must have compared the data used by the company in the financial test, which is required to be derived from the independently audited year-end financial statement based on United States generally accepted accounting practices for the latest fiscal year, with the amounts in such financial statement. In connection with that procedure, the licensee shall inform the agency within 90 days of any matters that may cause the auditor to believe that the data specified in the financial test should be adjusted and that the company no longer passes the test.

2. After the initial financial test, the company must repeat passage of the test within 90 days after the close of each succeeding fiscal year.

3. If the licensee no longer meets the requirements of Section II.A. of this appendix, the licensee must send notice to the agency of intent to establish alternative financial assurance as specified in these rules. The notice must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year for which the year-end financial data show that the licensee no longer meets the financial test requirements. The licensee must provide alternative financial assurance within 120 days after the end of such fiscal year.

III. Company Self-Guarantee

The terms of a self-guarantee which an applicant or licensee furnishes must provide that:

A. The guarantee shall remain in force unless the licensee sends notice of cancellation by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the agency. Cancellation may not occur until an alternative financial assurance mechanism is in place.

B. The licensee shall provide alternative financial assurance as specified in the regulations within 90 days following receipt by the agency of a notice of cancellation of the guarantee.

C. The guarantee and financial test provisions must remain in effect until the agency has terminated the license or until another financial assurance method acceptable to the agency has been put in effect by the licensee.

D. The applicant or licensee must provide to the agency a written guarantee (a written commitment by a corporate officer) which states that the licensee will fund and carry out the required decommissioning activities or, upon issuance of an order by the agency, the licensee will set up and fund a trust in the amount of the current cost estimates for decommissioning.

CHAPTER 39—APPENDIX J  
CRITERIA RELATING TO USE OF FINANCIAL TESTS AND SELF-GUARANTEES FOR  
PROVIDING REASONABLE ASSURANCE OF FUNDS FOR DECOMMISSIONING BY  
NONPROFIT COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND HOSPITALS

I. Introduction

An applicant or licensee may provide reasonable assurance of the availability of funds for decommissioning based on furnishing its own guarantee that funds will be available for decommissioning costs and on a demonstration that the applicant or licensee passes the financial test of Section II of this appendix. The terms of the self-guarantee are in Section III of this appendix. This appendix establishes criteria for passing the financial test for the self-guarantee and establishes the terms for a self-guarantee.

II. Financial Test

A. For colleges and universities to pass the financial test, a college or university must meet either the criteria in Section II.A.1. or the criteria in Section II.A.2. of this appendix.

1. For applicants or licensees that issue bonds, a current rating for its most recent uninsured, uncollateralized, and unencumbered bond issuance of AAA, AA, or A as issued by Standard and Poor's (S&P) or Aaa, Aa, or A as issued by Moody's.

2. For applicants or licensees that do not issue bonds, unrestricted endowment consisting of assets located in the United States of at least \$50 million, or at least 30 times the total current decommissioning cost estimate (or the current amount required if certification is used), whichever is greater, for all decommissioning activities for which the college or university is responsible as a self-guaranteeing licensee.

B. For hospitals to pass the financial test, a hospital must meet either the criteria in Section II.B.1. or the criteria in Section II.B.2. of this appendix:

1. For applicants or licensees that issue bonds, a current rating for its most recent uninsured, uncollateralized, and unencumbered bond issuance of AAA, AA, or A as issued by Standard and Poor's (S&P) or Aaa, Aa, or A as issued by Moody's.

2. For applicants or licensees that do not issue bonds, all the following tests must be met:

(a) (Total revenues less total expenditures) divided by total revenues must be equal to or greater than 0.04.

(b) Long-term debt divided by net fixed assets must be less than or equal to 0.67.

(c) (Current assets and depreciation fund) divided by current liabilities must be greater than or equal to 2.55.

(d) Operating revenues must be at least 100 times the total current decommissioning cost estimate (or the current amount required if certification is used) for all decommissioning activities for which the hospital is responsible as a self-guaranteeing licensee.

C. In addition, to pass the financial test, a licensee must meet all the following requirements:

1. The licensee's independent certified public accountant must have compared the data used by the licensee in the financial test, which is required to be derived from the independently audited year-end financial statements, based on United States generally accepted accounting practices, for the latest fiscal year, with the amounts in such financial statement. In connection with that procedure, the licensee shall inform this agency within 90 days of any matters coming to the attention of the auditor that cause the auditor to believe that the data specified in the financial test should be adjusted and that the licensee no longer passes the test.

2. After the initial financial test, the licensee must repeat passage of the test within 90 days after the close of each succeeding fiscal year.

3. If the licensee no longer meets the requirements of Section I of this appendix, the licensee must send notice to this agency of its intent to establish alternative financial assurance as specified in these rules. The notice must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year for which the year-end financial data show that the licensee no longer meets the financial test requirements. The licensee must provide alternate financial assurance within 120 days after the end of such fiscal year.

III. Self-Guarantee

The terms of a self-guarantee which an applicant or licensee furnishes must provide that:

A. The guarantee shall remain in force unless the licensee sends notice of cancellation by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the agency. Cancellation may not occur until an alternative financial assurance mechanism is in place.

B. The licensee shall provide alternative financial assurance as specified in these rules within 90 days following receipt by the agency of a notice of cancellation of the guarantee.

C. The guarantee and financial test provisions must remain in effect until the agency has terminated the license or until another financial assurance method acceptable to the agency has been put in effect by the licensee.

D. The applicant or licensee must provide to the agency a written guarantee (a written commitment by a corporate officer or officer of the institution) which states that the licensee will fund and carry out the required decommissioning activities or, upon issuance of an order by the agency, the licensee will set up and fund a trust in the amount of the current cost estimates for decommissioning.

E. If, at any time, the licensee's most recent bond issuance ceases to be rated in any category of "A" or above by either Standard and Poor's or Moody's, the licensee shall provide notice in writing of such fact to the agency within 20 days after publication of the change by the rating service.

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CHAPTER 40  
STANDARDS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST RADIATION

GENERAL PROVISIONS

**641—40.1(136C) Purpose and scope.**

**40.1(1)** This chapter establishes standards for protection against ionizing radiation resulting from activities conducted pursuant to licenses or registrations issued by the agency. These rules are issued pursuant to the authority in Iowa Code section 136C.3 and 136C.4.

**40.1(2)** The requirements of this chapter are designed to control the receipt, possession, use, transfer, and disposal of sources of radiation by any licensee or registrant so the total dose to an individual, including doses resulting from all sources of radiation other than background radiation, does not exceed the standards for protection against radiation prescribed in this chapter. However, nothing in this chapter shall be construed as limiting actions that may be necessary to protect health and safety.

**40.1(3)** In addition to complying with the requirements set forth in this chapter, every reasonable effort should be made to maintain radiation exposures and releases of radioactive material in effluents to unrestricted areas as low as is reasonably achievable (ALARA). The term “as low as is reasonably achievable” means as low as is reasonably achievable taking into account the state of technology and the economics of improvements in relation to benefits to the public health and safety, other societal and socioeconomic considerations, and in relation to the utilization of ionizing radiation in the public interest.

**40.1(4)** Except as specifically provided in other parts of these rules, this chapter applies to persons licensed or registered by the agency to receive, possess, use, transfer, or dispose of sources of radiation. The limits in this chapter do not apply to doses due to background radiation, to exposure of patients to radiation for the purpose of medical diagnosis or therapy, or to voluntary participation in medical research programs.

**40.1(5)** All references to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect on or before July 9, 2008.

**40.1(6)** The provisions of Chapter 40 are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other applicable portions of 641—Chapters 38 to 45.

**641—40.2(136C) Definitions.**

**40.2(1)** For the purposes of this chapter, the definitions of 641—Chapter 38 may also apply.

**40.2(2)** As used in this chapter, these terms have the definitions set forth below.

“*Annual limit on intake (ALI)*” means the derived limit for the amount of radioactive material taken into the body of an adult worker by inhalation or ingestion in a year. ALI is the smaller value of intake of a given radionuclide in a year by the reference person that would result in a committed effective dose equivalent of 5 rem (0.05 Sv) or a committed dose equivalent of 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to any individual organ or tissue. ALI values for intake by ingestion and by inhalation of selected radionuclides are given in Table I, Columns 1 and 2, of Appendix B.

“*Class (or lung class or inhalation class)*” means a classification scheme for inhaled material according to its rate of clearance from the pulmonary region of the lung. Materials are classified as D, W, or Y, which applies to a range of clearance half-times: for Class D, Days, of less than 10 days, for Class W, Weeks, from 10 to 100 days, and for Class Y, Years, of greater than 100 days.

“*Declared pregnant woman*” means a woman who has voluntarily informed her licensee or registrant, in writing, of her pregnancy and the estimated date of conception. The declaration remains in effect until the declared pregnant woman withdraws the declaration in writing or is no longer pregnant.

“*Derived air concentration (DAC)*” means the concentration of a given radionuclide in air which, if breathed by the reference person for a working year of 2,000 hours under conditions of light work (inhalation rate 1.2 cubic meters of air per hour) results in an intake of one ALI. DAC values are given in Table I, Column 3, of Appendix B.

“*Derived air concentration-hour (DAC-hour)*” means the product of the concentration of radioactive material in air, expressed as a fraction or multiple of the derived air concentration for each

radionuclide, and the time of exposure to that radionuclide, in hours. A licensee or registrant may take 2,000 DAC-hours to represent one ALI, equivalent to a committed dose equivalent of 5 rem (0.05 Sv).

*“Dosimetry processor”* means an individual or an organization that processes and evaluates individual monitoring devices in order to determine the radiation dose delivered to the monitoring devices.

*“Inhalation class”* (see “Class.”)

*“Lung class”* (see “Class.”)

*“National tracked source”* means a sealed source containing a quantity equal to or greater than Category 1 or Category 2 levels of any radioactive material listed in Appendix H of this chapter. In this context a “sealed source” is defined as radioactive material that is sealed in a capsule or closely bonded in a solid form and that is not exempt from regulatory control. It does not mean material encapsulated solely for disposal, or nuclear material contained in any fuel assembly, subassembly, fuel rod, or fuel pellet. Category 1 nationally tracked sources are those containing radioactive material at a quantity equal to or greater than the Category 1 threshold. Category 2 nationally tracked sources are those containing radioactive material at a quantity equal to or greater than the Category 2 threshold but less than the Category 1 threshold.

*“Nonstochastic effect”* means a health effect, the severity of which varies with the dose and for which a threshold is believed to exist. Radiation-induced cataract formation is an example of a nonstochastic effect. For purposes of these rules, “deterministic effect” is an equivalent term.

*“Planned special exposure”* means an infrequent exposure to radiation, separate from and in addition to the annual occupational dose limits.

*“Quarter”* means a period of time equal to one-fourth of the year observed by the licensee, approximately 13 consecutive weeks, providing that the beginning of the first quarter in a year coincides with the starting date of the year and that no day is omitted or duplicated in consecutive quarters.

*“Reference person”* means a hypothetical aggregation of human physical and physiological characteristics determined by international consensus. These characteristics may be used by researchers and public health workers to standardize results of experiments and to relate biological insult to a common base. A description of the reference person is contained in the International Commission on Radiological Protection report, ICRP Publication 23, “Report of the Task Group on Reference Man.”

*“Respiratory protective equipment”* means an apparatus, such as a respirator, used to reduce an individual’s intake of airborne radioactive materials.

*“Sanitary sewerage”* means a system of public sewers for carrying off wastewater and refuse, but excluding sewage treatment facilities, septic tanks, and leach fields owned or operated by the licensee or registrant.

*“Stochastic effect”* means a health effect that occurs randomly and for which the probability of the effect occurring, rather than its severity, is assumed to be a linear function of dose without threshold. Hereditary effects and cancer incidence are examples of stochastic effects. For purposes of these rules, “probabilistic effect” is an equivalent term.

*“Weighting factor”*  $w_T$  for an organ or tissue (T) means the proportion of the risk of stochastic effects resulting from irradiation of that organ or tissue to the total risk of stochastic effects when the whole body is irradiated uniformly. For calculating the effective dose equivalent, the values of  $w_T$  are:

ORGAN DOSE WEIGHTING FACTORS	
Organ or Tissue	$w_T$
Gonads	0.25
Breast	0.15
Red bone marrow	0.12
Lung	0.12
Thyroid	0.03
Bone surfaces	0.03



## ORGAN DOSE WEIGHTING FACTORS

Organ or Tissue	$w_T$
Remainder	0.30 <sup>a</sup>
Whole Body	1.00 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup>0.30 results from 0.06 for each of 5 “remainder” organs, excluding the skin and the lens of the eye, that receive the highest doses.

<sup>b</sup>For the purpose of weighting the external whole body dose, for adding it to the internal dose, a single weighting factor,  $w_T = 1.0$ , has been specified. The use of other weighting factors for external exposure will be approved on a case-by-case basis until such time as specific guidance is issued.

**641—40.3(136C) Implementation.**

**40.3(1)** Any existing license or registration condition that is more restrictive than this chapter remains in force until there is an amendment or renewal of the license or registration.

**40.3(2)** If a license or registration condition exempts a licensee or registrant from a provision of this chapter in effect on or before January 1, 1994, it also exempts the licensee or registrant from the corresponding provision of this chapter.

**40.3(3)** If a license or registration condition cites provisions of this chapter in effect prior to January 1, 1994, which do not correspond to any provisions of this chapter, the license or registration condition remains in force until there is an amendment or renewal of the license or registration that modifies or removes this condition.

**641—40.4 to 40.9** Reserved.

## RADIATION PROTECTION PROGRAMS

**641—40.10(136C) Radiation protection programs.**

**40.10(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall develop, document, and implement a radiation protection program sufficient to ensure compliance with the provisions of this chapter. See 40.81(136C) for record-keeping requirements relating to these programs.

**40.10(2)** The licensee or registrant shall use, to the extent practical, procedures and engineering controls based upon sound radiation protection principles to achieve occupational doses and public doses that are as low as is reasonably achievable (ALARA).

**40.10(3)** The licensee or registrant shall, at intervals not to exceed 12 months, review the radiation protection program content and implementation.

**40.10(4)** To implement the ALARA requirements of 40.10(2), and notwithstanding the requirements in 641—40.26(136C), a constraint on air emissions of radioactive material to the environment, excluding radon-222 and its daughters, shall be established by licensees such that the individual member of the public likely to receive the highest dose will not be expected to receive a total effective dose equivalent in excess of 10 mrem (0.1 mSv) per year from these emissions. If a licensee subject to this requirement exceeds this dose constraint, the licensee shall report the exceedance as provided in 641—40.97(136C) and promptly take appropriate corrective action to ensure against recurrence.

**641—40.11 to 40.14** Reserved.

## OCCUPATIONAL DOSE LIMITS

**641—40.15(136C) Occupational dose limits for adults.**

**40.15(1)** The licensee or registrant shall control the occupational dose to individual adults, except for planned special exposures pursuant to 40.20(136C), to the following dose limits:

*a.* An annual limit, which is the more limiting of:

- (1) The total effective dose equivalent being equal to 5 rem (0.05 Sv); or

(2) The sum of the deep dose equivalent and the committed dose equivalent to any individual organ or tissue other than the lens of the eye being equal to 50 rem (0.5 Sv).

*b.* The annual limits to the lens of the eye, to the skin of the whole body, and to the skin of the extremities which are:

(1) A lens dose equivalent of 15 rem (0.15 Sv), and

(2) A shallow dose equivalent of 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to the skin of the whole body or to the skin of any extremity.

**40.15(2)** Doses received in excess of the annual limits, including doses received during accidents, emergencies, and planned special exposures, shall be subtracted from the limits for planned special exposures that the individual may receive during the current year and during the individual's lifetime. See 40.20(5) "a" and "b."

**40.15(3)** The assigned deep dose equivalent must be for the portion of the body receiving the highest exposure. The assigned shallow-dose equivalent must be the dose averaged over the contiguous 10 square centimeters of skin receiving the highest exposure.

The deep dose equivalent, lens dose equivalent and shallow dose equivalent may be assessed from surveys or other radiation measurements for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with the occupational dose limits, if the individual monitoring device was not in the region of highest potential exposure, or the results of individual monitoring are unavailable.

**40.15(4)** Derived air concentration (DAC) and annual limit on intake (ALI) values are presented in Table I of Appendix B and may be used to determine the individual's dose and to demonstrate compliance with the occupational dose limits. See 40.86(136C).

**40.15(5)** Notwithstanding the annual dose limits, the licensee shall limit the soluble uranium intake by an individual to 10 milligrams in a week in consideration of chemical toxicity. See footnote 3 of Appendix B.

**40.15(6)** The licensee or registrant shall reduce the dose that an individual may be allowed to receive in the current year by the amount of occupational dose received while employed by any other person. See 40.19(5).

#### **641—40.16(136C) Compliance with requirements for summation of external and internal doses.**

**40.16(1)** If the licensee or registrant is required to monitor pursuant to both 40.19(1) and 40.19(2), the licensee or registrant shall demonstrate compliance with the dose limits by summing external and internal doses. If the licensee or registrant is required to monitor only pursuant to 40.19(1), or only pursuant to 40.19(2), then summation is not required to demonstrate compliance with the dose limits. The licensee or registrant may demonstrate compliance with the requirements for summation of external and internal doses pursuant to 40.16(2), 40.16(3) and 40.16(4). The dose equivalents for the lens of the eye, the skin, and the extremities are not included in the summation, but are subject to separate limits.

**40.16(2)** Intake by inhalation. If the only intake of radionuclides is by inhalation, the total effective dose equivalent limit is not exceeded if the sum of the deep dose equivalent divided by the total effective dose equivalent limit, and one of the following, does not exceed unity:

*a.* The sum of the fractions of the inhalation ALI for each radionuclide, or

*b.* The total number of derived air concentration-hours (DAC-hours) for all radionuclides divided by 2,000, or

*c.* The sum of the calculated committed effective dose equivalents to all significantly irradiated organs or tissues (T) calculated from bioassay data using appropriate biological models and expressed as a fraction of the annual limit. For purposes of this requirement, an organ or tissue is deemed to be significantly irradiated if, for that organ or tissue, the product of the weighting factors,  $w_T$ , and the committed dose equivalent,  $H_{T,50}$ , per unit intake is greater than 10 percent of the maximum weighted value of  $H_{50}$ , that is,  $w_T H_{T,50}$ , per unit intake for any organ or tissue.

**40.16(3)** Intake by oral ingestion. If the occupationally exposed individual also receives an intake of radionuclides by oral ingestion greater than 10 percent of the applicable oral ALI, the licensee shall account for this intake and include it in demonstrating compliance with the limits.

**40.16(4)** Intake through wounds or absorption through skin. The licensee shall evaluate and, to the extent practical, account for intakes through wounds or skin absorption. The intake through intact skin has been included in the calculation of DAC for hydrogen-3 and does not need to be evaluated or accounted for pursuant to this subrule.

**641—40.17(136C) Determination of external dose from airborne radioactive material.**

**40.17(1)** Licensees shall, when determining the dose from airborne radioactive material, include the contribution to the deep dose equivalent, lens dose equivalent, and shallow dose equivalent from external exposure to the radioactive cloud. See Appendix B, footnotes 1 and 2.

**40.17(2)** Airborne radioactivity measurements and DAC values shall not be used as the primary means to assess the deep dose equivalent when the airborne radioactive material includes radionuclides other than noble gases or if the cloud of airborne radioactive material is not relatively uniform. The determination of the deep dose equivalent to an individual shall be based upon measurements using instruments or individual monitoring devices.

**641—40.18(136C) Determination of internal exposure.**

**40.18(1)** For purposes of assessing dose used to determine compliance with occupational dose equivalent limits, the licensee shall, when required pursuant to 40.37(136C), take suitable and timely measurements of:

- a. Concentrations of radioactive materials in air in work areas; or
- b. Quantities of radionuclides in the body; or
- c. Quantities of radionuclides excreted from the body; or
- d. Combinations of these measurements.

**40.18(2)** Unless respiratory protective equipment is used, as provided in 40.50(136C), or the assessment of intake is based on bioassays, the licensee shall assume that an individual inhales radioactive material at the airborne concentration in which the individual is present.

**40.18(3)** When specific information on the physical and biochemical properties of the radionuclides taken into the body or the behavior of the material in an individual is known, the licensee may:

- a. Use that information to calculate the committed effective dose equivalent, and, if used, the licensee shall document that information in the individual's record; and
- b. Upon prior approval of the agency, adjust the DAC or ALI values to reflect the actual physical and chemical characteristics of airborne radioactive material, for example, aerosol size distribution or density; and
- c. Separately assess the contribution of fractional intakes of Class D, W, or Y compounds of a given radionuclide to the committed effective dose equivalent. See Appendix B.

**40.18(4)** If the licensee chooses to assess intakes of Class Y material using the measurements given in 40.8(1) "b" or 40.8(1) "c," the licensee may delay the recording and reporting of the assessments for periods up to seven months, unless otherwise required by 40.96(136C) or 40.97(136C). This delay permits the licensee to make additional measurements basic to the assessments.

**40.18(5)** If the identity and concentration of each radionuclide in a mixture are known, the fraction of the DAC applicable to the mixture for use in calculating DAC-hours shall be either:

- a. The sum of the ratios of the concentration to the appropriate DAC value, that is, D, W, or Y, from Appendix B for each radionuclide in the mixture; or
- b. The ratio of the total concentration for all radionuclides in the mixture to the most restrictive DAC value for any radionuclide in the mixture.

**40.18(6)** If the identity of each radionuclide in a mixture is known, but the concentration of one or more of the radionuclides in the mixture is not known, the DAC for the mixture shall be the most restrictive DAC of any radionuclide in the mixture.

**40.18(7)** When a mixture of radionuclides in air exists, a licensee may disregard certain radionuclides in the mixture if:

- a. The licensee uses the total activity of the mixture in demonstrating compliance with the dose limits in 40.15(136C) and in complying with the monitoring requirements in 40.37(136C), and

- b.* The concentration of any radionuclide disregarded is less than 10 percent of its DAC, and
- c.* The sum of these percentages for all of the radionuclides disregarded in the mixture does not exceed 30 percent.

**40.18(8)** When determining the committed effective dose equivalent, the following information may be considered:

*a.* In order to calculate the committed effective dose equivalent, the licensee or registrant may assume that the inhalation of one ALI, or an exposure of 2,000 DAC-hours, results in a committed effective dose equivalent of 5 rem (0.05 Sv) for radionuclides that have their ALIs or DACs based on the committed effective dose equivalent.

*b.* For an ALI and the associated DAC determined by the nonstochastic organ dose limit of 50 rem (0.5 Sv), the intake of radionuclides that would result in a committed effective dose equivalent of 5 rem (0.05 Sv), that is, the stochastic ALI, is listed in parentheses in Table I of Appendix B. The licensee or registrant may, as a simplifying assumption, use the stochastic ALI to determine committed effective dose equivalent. However, if the licensee or registrant uses the stochastic ALI, the licensee or registrant shall also demonstrate that the limit in 40.15(1) "a"(2) is met.

**641—40.19(136C) Determination of prior occupational dose.**

**40.19(1)** For each individual who is likely to receive, in a year, an occupational dose requiring monitoring pursuant to this rule, the licensee or registrant shall:

- a.* Determine the occupational radiation dose received during the current year; and
- b.* Attempt to obtain the records of lifetime cumulative occupational radiation dose.

**40.19(2)** Prior to permitting an individual to participate in a planned special exposure, the licensee or registrant shall determine:

- a.* The internal and external doses from all previous planned special exposures; and
- b.* All doses in excess of the limits, including doses received during accidents and emergencies, received during the lifetime of the individual; and
- c.* All lifetime cumulative occupational radiation dose.

**40.19(3)** In complying with the requirements of 40.19(1), a licensee or registrant may:

*a.* Accept, as a record of the occupational dose that the individual received during the current year, a written signed statement from the individual, or from the individual's most recent employer for work involving radiation exposure, that discloses the nature and the amount of any occupational dose that the individual received during the current year; and

*b.* Accept, as the record of lifetime cumulative radiation dose, a form signed by the individual and countersigned by an appropriate official of the most recent employer for work involving radiation exposure, or the individual's current employer, if the individual is not employed by the licensee or registrant; and

*c.* Obtain reports of the individual's dose equivalent from the most recent employer for work involving radiation exposure, or the individual's current employer, if the individual is not employed by the licensee or registrant, by telephone, telegram, facsimile, or letter. The licensee or registrant shall request a written verification of the dose data if the authenticity of the transmitted report cannot be established.

**40.19(4)** *a.* The licensee or registrant shall record the exposure history, as required by 40.37(136C). The form or record shall show each period in which the individual received occupational exposure to radiation or radioactive material and shall be signed by the individual who received the exposure. For each period for which the licensee or registrant obtains reports, the licensee or registrant shall use the dose shown in the report in preparing the exposure history. For any period in which the licensee or registrant does not obtain a report, the licensee or registrant shall place a notation on the report indicating the periods of time for which data are not available.

*b.* Licensees or registrants are not required to reevaluate the separate external dose equivalents and internal committed dose equivalents or intakes of radionuclides assessed pursuant to the rules in this chapter in effect on or before January 1, 1994. Further, occupational exposure histories obtained and

recorded on or before January 1, 1994, would not have included effective dose equivalent, but may be used in the absence of specific information on the intake of radionuclides by the individual.

**40.19(5)** If the licensee or registrant is unable to obtain a complete record of an individual's current and previously accumulated occupational dose, the licensee or registrant shall assume:

*a.* In establishing administrative controls pursuant to 40.15(6) for the current year, that the allowable dose limit for the individual is reduced by 1.25 rem (12.5 mSv) for each quarter for which records were unavailable and the individual was engaged in activities that could have resulted in occupational radiation exposure; and

*b.* That the individual is not available for planned special exposures.

**40.19(6)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records in 641—40.19(136C) until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring this record. The licensee or registrant shall retain records used in preparing any record for this subrule for three years after the record is made.

**641—40.20(136C) Planned special exposures.** A licensee or registrant may authorize an adult worker to receive doses in addition to and accounted for separately from the doses received under the limits specified in 40.15(136C) provided that each of the following conditions is satisfied:

**40.20(1)** The licensee or registrant authorizes a planned special exposure only in an exceptional situation when alternatives that might avoid the dose estimated to result from the planned special exposure are unavailable or impractical.

**40.20(2)** The licensee or registrant, and employer if the employer is not the licensee or registrant, specifically authorizes the planned special exposure, in writing, before the exposure occurs.

**40.20(3)** Before a planned special exposure, the licensee or registrant ensures that each individual involved is:

*a.* Informed of the purpose of the planned operation; and

*b.* Informed of the estimated doses and associated potential risks and specific radiation levels or other conditions that might be involved in performing the task; and

*c.* Instructed in the measures to be taken to keep the dose ALARA considering other risks that may be present.

**40.20(4)** Prior to permitting an individual to participate in a planned special exposure, the licensee or registrant ascertains prior doses as required by 40.19(2) during the lifetime of the individual for each individual involved.

**40.20(5)** Subject to 40.15(2), the licensee or registrant shall not authorize a planned special exposure that would cause an individual to receive a dose from all planned special exposures and all doses in excess of the limits to exceed:

*a.* The numerical values of any of the dose limits in 40.15(1) in any year; and

*b.* Five times the annual dose limits in 40.15(1) during the individual's lifetime.

**40.20(6)** The licensee or registrant maintains records of the conduct of a planned special exposure in accordance with 40.85(136C) and submits a written report in accordance with 40.98(136C).

**40.20(7)** The licensee or registrant records the best estimate of the dose resulting from the planned special exposure in the individual's record and informs the individual, in writing, of the dose within 30 days from the date of the planned special exposure. The dose from planned special exposures shall not be considered in controlling future occupational dose of the individual pursuant to 40.15(1) but shall be included in evaluations required by 40.20(1) and 40.20(2).

**641—40.21(136C) Occupational dose limits for minors.** The annual occupational dose limits for minors are 10 percent of the annual dose limits specified for adult workers in 40.15(136C).

**641—40.22(136C) Dose equivalent to an embryo/fetus.**

**40.22(1)** The licensee or registrant shall ensure that the dose equivalent to an embryo/fetus during the entire pregnancy, due to occupational exposure of a declared pregnant woman, does not exceed 0.5 rem (5 mSv). See 40.86(136C) for record-keeping requirements.

**40.22(2)** The licensee or registrant shall make efforts to avoid substantial variation<sup>1</sup> above a uniform monthly exposure rate to a declared pregnant woman so as to satisfy the limit in 40.22(1).

**40.22(3)** The dose equivalent to an embryo/fetus shall be taken as the sum of:

- a. The deep dose equivalent to the declared pregnant woman; and
- b. The dose equivalent to the embryo/fetus from radionuclides in the embryo/fetus and radionuclides in the declared pregnant woman.

**40.22(4)** If by the time the woman declares pregnancy to the licensee or registrant, the dose equivalent to the embryo/fetus has exceeded 0.5 rem (5 mSv), or is within 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv) of this dose, the licensee or registrant shall be deemed to be in compliance with 40.22(1) if the additional dose equivalent to the embryo/fetus does not exceed 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv) during the remainder of the pregnancy.

<sup>1</sup> The National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements recommended in NCRP Report No. 91 "Recommendations on Limits for Exposure to Ionizing Radiation" (June 1, 1987) that no more than 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv) to the embryo/fetus be received in any one month.

**641—40.23 to 40.25** Reserved.

#### RADIATION DOSE LIMITS FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

**641—40.26(136C) Dose limits for individual members of the public.**

**40.26(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall conduct operations so that:

- a. The total effective dose equivalent to individual members of the public from the licensed or registered operation does not exceed 0.1 rem (1 millisievert) in a year, exclusive of the dose contributions from background radiation, from any medical administration the individual has received, from exposure to individuals administered radioactive material and released in accordance with 641—subrule 41.2(27), from voluntary participation in medical research programs, and from the licensee's or registrant's disposal of radioactive material into sanitary sewerage under 641—40.72(136C); and
- b. The dose in any unrestricted area from external sources, exclusive of the dose contributions from patients administered radioactive material and released under 641—subrule 41.2(27), does not exceed 0.002 rem (0.02 millisievert) in any one hour.

**40.26(2)** If the licensee or registrant permits members of the public to have access to controlled areas, the limits for members of the public continue to apply to those individuals.

**40.26(3)** A licensee, registrant, or an applicant for a license or registration may apply for prior agency authorization to operate up to an annual dose limit for an individual member of the public of 0.5 rem (5 mSv). This application shall include the following information:

- a. Demonstration of the need for and the expected duration of operations in excess of the limit in 40.26(1); and
- b. The licensee's or registrant's program to assess and control dose within the 0.5 rem (5 mSv) annual limit; and
- c. The procedures to be followed to maintain the dose ALARA.

**40.26(4)** In addition to the requirements of this chapter, a licensee or registrant subject to the provisions of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's generally applicable environmental radiation standards in 40 CFR 190 shall comply with those standards.

**40.26(5)** The agency may impose additional restrictions on radiation levels in unrestricted areas and on the total quantity of radionuclides that a licensee or registrant may release in effluents in order to restrict the collective dose.

**40.26(6)** Notwithstanding the requirements of 40.26(1) "a," a licensee may permit visitors to an individual who cannot be released under 641—subrule 41.2(27) to receive a radiation dose greater than 0.1 rem (1 mSv) if:

- a. The radiation dose received does not exceed 0.5 rem (5 mSv); and
- b. The authorized user, as defined in 641—subrule 41.2(2), has determined before the visit that it is appropriate.

**641—40.27(136C) Compliance with dose limits for individual members of the public.**

**40.27(1)** The licensee or registrant shall make or cause to be made, as appropriate, surveys of radiation levels in unrestricted and controlled areas and radioactive materials in effluents released to unrestricted and controlled areas to demonstrate compliance with the dose limits for individual members of the public in 40.26(136C).

**40.27(2)** A licensee or registrant shall show compliance with the annual dose limit in 40.26(136C) by:

*a.* Demonstrating by measurement or calculation that the total effective dose equivalent to the individual likely to receive the highest dose from the licensed or registered operation does not exceed the annual dose limit; or

*b.* Demonstrating that:

(1) The annual average concentrations of radioactive material released in gaseous and liquid effluents at the boundary of the unrestricted area do not exceed the values specified in Table II of Appendix B; and

(2) If an individual were continually present in an unrestricted area, the dose from external sources would not exceed 0.002 rem (0.02 mSv) in an hour and 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv) in a year.

**40.27(3)** Upon approval from the agency, the licensee or registrant may adjust the effluent concentration values in Appendix B, Table II, for members of the public, to take into account the actual physical and chemical characteristics of the effluents, such as aerosol size distribution, solubility, density, radioactive decay equilibrium, and chemical form.

## RADIOLOGICAL CRITERIA FOR LICENSE TERMINATION

**641—40.28(136C) Radiological criteria for license termination.**

**40.28(1)** The criteria in this rule apply to the decommissioning of facilities licensed under 641—Chapter 39, and to the release of part of a facility or site for unrestricted use, as well as other facilities subject to the agency's jurisdiction under Iowa Code chapter 136C.

**40.28(2)** The criteria in this rule do not apply to sites which:

*a.* Have been decommissioned prior to July 1, 1999, in accordance with criteria identified in 641—subrule 39.4(33).

*b.* Have previously submitted and received agency approval on a license termination plan (LTP) or decommissioning plan that is compatible with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Site Decommissioning Management Plan (SDMP) Action Plan criteria; or

*c.* Submit a sufficient LTP or decommissioning plan prior to July 1, 1999, and such LTP or decommissioning plan is approved by the agency prior to July 1, 1999, except that if an environmental impact statement is required in the submittal, there will be a provision for day-to-day extension.

**40.28(3)** After a site has been decommissioned and the license terminated in accordance with the criteria in this chapter, or after part of a facility or site has been released for unrestricted use in accordance with this chapter, the agency will require additional cleanup only if, based on new information, it determines that the criteria of this chapter were not met and residual radioactivity remaining at the site could result in significant threat to public health and safety.

**40.28(4)** When calculating TEDE to the average member of the critical group the licensee shall determine the peak annual TEDE dose expected within the first 1000 years after decommissioning.

**40.28(5)** Public notification and public participation. Upon the receipt of an LTP or decommissioning plan from the licensee or a proposal by the licensee for release of a site pursuant to 40.30(136C) or 40.31(136C) or whenever the agency deems such notice to be in the public interest, the agency shall:

*a.* Notify and solicit comments from:

(1) Local and state governments in the vicinity of the site and any Indian nation or other indigenous people that have treaty or statutory rights that could be affected by the decommissioning; and

(2) The Environmental Protection Agency for cases where the licensee proposes to release a site pursuant to 40.31(136C).

*b.* Publish a notice in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin and in a forum, such as local newspapers, letters to state or local organizations, or other appropriate forum, that is readily accessible to individuals in the vicinity of the site, and solicit comments from affected parties.

**40.28(6)** Minimization of contamination. Applicants for licenses, other than renewals, after July 1, 1999, shall describe in the application how facility design and procedures for operation will minimize, to the extent practicable, contamination of the facility and the environment, facilitate eventual decommissioning, and minimize, to the extent practicable, the generation of radioactive waste.

**641—40.29(136C) Radiological criteria for unrestricted use.** A site will be considered acceptable for unrestricted use if the residual radioactivity that is distinguishable from background radiation results in a TEDE to an average member of the critical group that does not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) per year, including that from groundwater sources of drinking water, and the residual radioactivity has been reduced to levels that are ALARA. Determination of the levels which are ALARA must take into account consideration of any detriments, such as deaths from transportation accidents, expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal.

**641—40.30(136C) Criteria for license termination under restricted conditions.** A site will be considered acceptable for license termination under restricted conditions if:

**40.30(1)** The licensee can demonstrate that reductions in residual radioactivity necessary to comply with the provisions of 40.29(136C) would result in net public or environmental harm or were not being made because the residual levels associated with restricted conditions are ALARA. Determination of the levels which are ALARA must take into account consideration of any detriments, such as traffic accidents, expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal;

**40.30(2)** The licensee has made provisions for legally enforceable institutional controls that provide reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group will not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) per year;

**40.30(3)** The licensee has provided sufficient financial assurance to enable an independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of the site. Acceptable financial assurance mechanisms are:

*a.* Funds placed into an account segregated from the licensee's assets and outside the licensee's administrative control as described in 641—subparagraph 39.4(26) "f"(1);

*b.* Surety method, insurance or other guarantee method as described in 641—subparagraph 39.4(26) "f"(2);

*c.* A statement of intent in the case of federal, state, or local government licensees, as described in 641—subparagraph 39.4(26) "f"(4); or

*d.* When a governmental entity is assuming custody and ownership of a site, an arrangement that is deemed acceptable by such governmental entity.

**40.30(4)** The licensee has submitted a decommissioning plan or license termination plan (LTP) to the agency indicating the licensee's intent to decommission in accordance with 641—paragraph 39.4(33) "d" and specifying that the licensee intends to decommission by restricting use of the site. The licensee shall document in the LTP or decommissioning plan how the advice of individuals and institutions in the community, who may be affected by the decommissioning, has been sought and incorporated, as appropriate, following analysis of that advice. Licensees proposing to decommission by restricting use of the site shall seek advice from such affected parties regarding the following matters concerning the proposed decommissioning:

*a.* Whether provisions for institutional controls proposed by the licensee:

(1) Will provide reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group will not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) per year;

(2) Will be enforceable; and



- (3) Will not impose undue burdens on the local community or other affected parties.
- b. Whether the licensee has provided sufficient financial assurance to enable an independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of the site;
- c. In seeking advice on the issues identified in 40.30(4) "a," the licensee shall provide for:
  - (1) Participation by representatives of a broad cross section of community interests who may be affected by the decommissioning;
  - (2) An opportunity for a comprehensive, collective discussion of the issues by the participants represented; and
  - (3) A publicly available summary of the results of all such discussions, including a description of the individual viewpoints of the participants on the issues and the extent of agreement and disagreement among the participants on the issues; and

**40.30(5)** Residual radioactivity at the site has been reduced so that if the institutional controls were no longer in effect, there is reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group is as low as reasonably achievable and would not exceed either:

- a. 100 mrem (1 mSv) per year; or
- b. 500 mrem (5 mSv) per year provided the licensee:
  - (1) Demonstrates that further reductions in residual radioactivity necessary to comply with the 100 mrem/yr (1 mSv/yr) value of 40.30(5) "a" are not technically achievable, would be prohibitively expensive, or would result in net public or environmental harm;
  - (2) Makes provisions for durable institutional controls; and
  - (3) Provides sufficient financial assurance to enable a responsible government entity or independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, both to carry out periodic rechecks of the site no less frequently than every five years to ensure that the institutional controls remain in place as necessary to meet the criteria of 40.30(2) and to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary controls and maintenance of those controls. Acceptable financial assurance mechanisms are those in subrule 40.30(3).

**641—40.31(136C) Alternate criteria for license termination.**

**40.31(1)** The agency may terminate a license using alternate criteria greater than the dose criterion of 641—40.29(136C), 40.30(2) and 40.30(4) "a"(1) if the licensee:

- a. Provides assurance that public health and safety would continue to be protected and that it is unlikely that the dose from all man-made sources combined, other than medical, would be more than the 100 mrem/yr (1 mSv/yr) by submitting an analysis of possible sources of exposure;
- b. Has employed, to the extent practical, restrictions on site use according to the provisions of 641—40.30(136C) in minimizing exposures at the site;
- c. Reduces doses to ALARA levels taking into consideration any detriments such as traffic accidents expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal; and
- d. Has submitted a decommissioning plan or license termination plan (LTP) to the agency indicating the licensee's intent to decommission in accordance with 641—paragraph 39.4(33) "d," and specifying that the licensee proposes to decommission by use of alternate criteria. The licensee shall document in the decommissioning plan or LTP how the advice of individuals and institutions in the community, who may be affected by the decommissioning, has been sought and addressed, as appropriate, following analysis of that advice. In seeking such advice, the licensee shall provide for:
  - (1) Participation by representatives of a broad cross section of community interests who may be affected by the decommissioning;
  - (2) An opportunity for a comprehensive, collective discussion on the issues by the participants represented; and
  - (3) A publicly available summary of the results of all such discussions, including a description of the individual viewpoints of the participants on the issues and the extent of agreement and disagreement among the participants on the issues.

**40.31(2)** The use of alternate criteria to terminate a license requires the approval of the agency after consideration of the staff's recommendations that will address any comments provided by the Environmental Protection Agency and any public comments submitted pursuant to 40.32(136C).

TESTING FOR LEAKAGE OR CONTAMINATION OF SEALED SOURCES

**641—40.32(136C) Testing for leakage or contamination of sealed sources.**

**40.32(1)** The licensee in possession of any sealed source shall ensure that:

*a.* Each sealed source, except as specified in 40.32(2), is tested for leakage or contamination and the test results are received before the sealed source is put into use unless the licensee has a certificate from the transferor indicating that the sealed source was tested within six months before transfer to the licensee.

*b.* Each sealed source that is not designed to emit alpha particles is tested for leakage or contamination at intervals not to exceed six months or at alternative intervals approved by the Agency, after evaluation of information specified by 641—subparagraphs 39.4(29)“l”(4) and 39.4(29)“l”(5) of these rules, an Agreement State, a Licensing State, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

*c.* Each sealed source that is designed to emit alpha particles is tested for leakage or contamination at intervals not to exceed three months or at alternative intervals approved by the Agency, after evaluation of information specified by 641—subparagraphs 39.4(29)“l”(4) and 39.4(29)“l”(5) of these rules, an Agreement State, a Licensing State, or the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

*d.* For each sealed source that is required to be tested for leakage or contamination, at any other time there is reason to suspect that the sealed source might have been damaged or might be leaking, the licensee or registrant shall ensure that the sealed source is tested for leakage or contamination before further use.

*e.* Tests for leakage for all sealed sources, except brachytherapy sources manufactured to contain radium, shall be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (185 Bq) of radioactive material on a test sample. Test samples shall be taken from the sealed source or from the surfaces of the container in which the sealed source is stored or mounted on which one might expect contamination to accumulate. For a sealed source contained in a device, test samples are obtained when the source is in the “off” position.

*f.* The test for leakage for brachytherapy sources manufactured to contain radium shall be capable of detecting an absolute leakage rate of 0.001  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (37 Bq) of radon-222 in a 24-hour period when the collection efficiency for radon-222 and its daughters has been determined with respect to collection method, volume and time.

*g.* Tests for contamination from radium daughters shall be taken on the interior surface of brachytherapy source storage containers and shall be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (185 Bq) of a radium daughter which has a half-life greater than four days.

**40.32(2)** A licensee need not perform tests for leakage or contamination on the following sealed sources:

- a.* Sealed sources containing only radioactive material with a half-life of less than 30 days;
- b.* Sealed sources containing only radioactive material as a gas;
- c.* Sealed sources containing 100  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (3.7 MBq) or less of beta- or photon-emitting material or 10  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (370 kBq) or less of alpha-emitting material;
- d.* Sealed sources containing only hydrogen-3;
- e.* Seeds of iridium-192 encased in nylon ribbon; and
- f.* Sealed sources, except those used in teletherapy and brachytherapy and those containing radium, which are stored, not being used and identified as in storage. The licensee shall, however, test each such sealed source for leakage or contamination and receive the test results before any use or transfer unless it has been tested for leakage or contamination within six months before the date of use or transfer.

**40.32(3)** Tests for leakage or contamination from sealed sources shall be performed by persons specifically authorized by the agency, an Agreement State, a Licensing State, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to perform such services.

**40.32(4)** Test results shall be kept in units of microcurie or becquerel and maintained for inspection by the agency.

**40.32(5)** The following shall be considered evidence that a sealed source is leaking:

- a. The presence of 0.005  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (185 Bq) or more of removable contamination on any test sample.
- b. Leakage of 0.001  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (37 Bq) of radon-222 per 24 hours for brachytherapy sources manufactured to contain radium.
- c. The presence of removable contamination resulting from the decay of 0.005  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (185 Bq) or more of radium.

**40.32(6)** The licensee shall immediately withdraw a leaking sealed source from use and shall take action to prevent the spread of contamination. The leaking sealed source shall be repaired or disposed of in accordance with this chapter.

**40.32(7)** Reports of test results for leaking or contaminated sealed sources shall be made pursuant to 40.102(136C).

**641—40.33 to 40.35** Reserved.

#### SURVEYS AND MONITORING

**641—40.36(136C) Surveys and monitoring—general.**

**40.36(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall make, or cause to be made, surveys that:

- a. Are necessary for the licensee or registrant to comply with this chapter; and
- b. Are necessary under the circumstances to evaluate:
  - (1) The magnitude and extent of radiation levels; and
  - (2) Concentrations or quantities of radioactive material; and
  - (3) The potential radiological hazards that could be present.

**40.36(2)** The licensee or registrant shall ensure that instruments and equipment used for quantitative radiation measurements, for example, dose rate and effluent monitoring, are calibrated at intervals not to exceed 12 months for the radiation measured except when a more frequent interval is specified in another applicable part of these rules or a license condition.

**40.36(3)** All personnel dosimeters, except for direct and indirect reading pocket ionization chambers and those dosimeters used to measure the dose to any extremity, that require processing to determine the radiation dose and that are used by licensees and registrants to comply with 40.15(136C), with other applicable provisions of these rules, or with conditions specified in a license or registration shall be processed and evaluated by a dosimetry processor:

- a. Holding current personnel dosimetry accreditation from the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology; and
- b. Approved in this accreditation process for the type of radiation or radiations included in the NVLAP program that most closely approximates the type of radiation or radiations for which the individual wearing the dosimeter is monitored.

**40.36(4)** The licensee or registrant shall ensure that adequate precautions are taken to prevent a deceptive exposure of an individual monitoring device.

**40.36(5)** After replacement, each personnel dosimeter must be sent for processing as soon as possible.

**641—40.37(136C) Conditions requiring individual monitoring of external and internal occupational dose.** Each licensee or registrant shall monitor exposures from sources of radiation at levels sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the occupational dose limits of this chapter. As a minimum:

**40.37(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall monitor occupational exposure to radiation and shall supply and require the use of individual monitoring devices by:

- a. Adults likely to receive, in 1 year from sources external to the body, a dose in excess of 10 percent of the limits in 40.15(1);

*b.* Minors likely to receive, in 1 year from sources external to the body, a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.15 rem (1.5 mSv), or a shallow dose equivalent to the skin or to the extremities in excess of 0.5 rem (1 mSv);

*c.* Individuals entering a high or very high radiation area;

*d.* Individuals working with medical fluoroscopic equipment; and

*e.* Declared pregnant women likely to receive during the entire pregnancy, from radiation sources external to the body, a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv).

**40.37(2)** Each licensee or registrant shall monitor, to determine compliance with 40.18(136C), the occupational intake of radioactive material by and assess the committed effective dose equivalent to:

*a.* Adults likely to receive, in 1 year, an intake in excess of 10 percent of the applicable ALI in Table I, Columns 1 and 2, of Appendix B;

*b.* Minors likely to receive, in 1 year, a committed effective dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv); and

*c.* Declared pregnant women likely to receive, during the entire pregnancy, a committed effective dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv).

**40.37(3)** Location of individual monitoring devices. Each licensee or registrant shall ensure that individuals who are required to monitor occupational doses in accordance with 40.37(136C) wear individual monitoring devices as follows:

*a.* An individual monitoring device used for monitoring the dose to the whole body shall be worn at the unshielded portion of the whole body likely to receive the highest exposure. When a protective apron is worn, the location of the individual monitoring device shall be near the midline of the body, under the apron;

*b.* An individual monitoring device used for monitoring the dose to an embryo/fetus of a declared pregnant woman shall be located at the waist under any protective apron being worn by the woman;

*c.* An individual monitoring device used for monitoring the eye dose equivalent, to demonstrate compliance with 40.15(136C) shall be located at the neck (collar), outside any protective apron being worn by the monitored individual, or at an unshielded location closer to the eye;

*d.* An individual monitoring device used for monitoring the dose to the extremities, to demonstrate compliance with 40.15(136C), shall be worn on the extremity likely to receive the highest exposure. Each individual monitoring device shall be oriented to measure the highest dose to the extremity being monitored.

**641—40.38 to 40.41** Reserved.

#### CONTROL OF EXPOSURE FROM EXTERNAL SOURCES IN RESTRICTED AREAS

**641—40.42(136C) Control of access to high radiation areas.**

**40.42(1)** The licensee or registrant shall ensure that each entrance or access point to a high radiation area has one or more of the following features:

*a.* A control device that, upon entry into the area, causes the level of radiation to be reduced below that level at which an individual might receive a deep dose equivalent of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour at 30 centimeters from the source of radiation from any surface that the radiation penetrates; or

*b.* A control device that energizes a conspicuous visible or audible alarm signal so that the individual entering the high radiation area and the supervisor of the activity are made aware of the entry; or

*c.* Entryways that are locked, except during periods when access to the areas is required, with positive control over each individual entry.

**40.42(2)** In place of the controls required by 40.42(1) for a high radiation area, the licensee or registrant may substitute continuous direct or electronic surveillance that is capable of preventing unauthorized entry.

**40.42(3)** The licensee or registrant may apply to the Agency for approval of alternative methods for controlling access to high radiation areas.

**40.42(4)** The licensee or registrant shall establish the controls required by 40.42(1) and 40.42(3) in a way that does not prevent individuals from leaving a high radiation area.

**40.42(5)** The licensee is not required to control each entrance or access point to a room or other area that is a high radiation area solely because of the presence of radioactive materials prepared for transport and packaged and labeled in accordance with the rules of the U.S. Department of Transportation provided that:

- a. The packages do not remain in the area longer than three days; and
- b. The dose rate at 1 meter from the external surface of any package does not exceed 0.01 rem (0.1 mSv) per hour.

**40.42(6)** The licensee is not required to control entrance or access to rooms or other areas in hospitals solely because of the presence of patients containing radioactive material, provided that there are personnel in attendance who are taking the necessary precautions to prevent the exposure of individuals to radiation or radioactive material in excess of the established limits in this chapter and to operate within the ALARA provisions of the licensee's radiation protection program.

**40.42(7)** The licensee or registrant is not required to control entrance or access to rooms or other areas containing sources of radiation capable of producing a high radiation area as described in 641—40.42(136C) if the registrant has met all the specific requirements for access and control specified in other applicable chapters such as 641—Chapter 45 for industrial radiography, 641—Chapter 41 for X-rays in the healing arts, and 641—Chapter 41 for particle accelerators.

**641—40.43(136C) Control of access to very high radiation areas.**

**40.43(1)** In addition to the requirements in 40.42(136C), the licensee or registrant shall institute measures to ensure that an individual is not able to gain unauthorized or inadvertent access to areas in which radiation levels could be encountered at 500 rad (5 Gy) or more in 1 hour at 1 meter from a source of radiation or any surface through which the radiation penetrates. This requirement does not apply to rooms or areas in which diagnostic X-ray systems are the only source of radiation, or to non-self-shielded irradiators.

**40.43(2)** The registrant is not required to control entrance or access to rooms or other areas containing sources of radiation capable of producing a very high radiation area as described in 40.43(1) if the registrant has met all the specific requirements for access and control specified in other applicable chapters such as 641—Chapter 45 for industrial radiography, 641—Chapter 41 for X-rays in the healing arts, and 641—Chapter 41 for particle accelerators.

**641—40.44(136C) Control of access to very high radiation areas—irradiators.**

**40.44(1)** This rule applies to licensees with sources of radiation in non-self-shielded irradiators. This rule does not apply to sources of radiation that are used in teletherapy, in industrial radiography, or in completely self-shielded irradiators in which the source of radiation is both stored and operated within the same shielding radiation barrier and, in the designed configuration of the irradiator, is always physically inaccessible to any individual and cannot create high levels of radiation in an area that is accessible to any individual.

**40.44(2)** Each area in which there may exist radiation levels in excess of 500 rad (5 Gy) in 1 hour at 1 meter from a source of radiation that is used to irradiate materials shall meet the following requirements:

- a. Each entrance or access point shall be equipped with entry control devices which:
  - (1) Function automatically to prevent any individual from inadvertently entering a very high radiation area; and
  - (2) Permit deliberate entry into the area only after a control device is actuated that causes the radiation level within the area, from the source of radiation, to be reduced below that at which it would be possible for an individual to receive a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour; and
  - (3) Prevent operation of the source of radiation if it would produce radiation levels in the area that could result in a deep dose equivalent to an individual in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour.

*b.* Additional control devices shall be provided so that, upon failure of the entry control devices to function as required by 40.44(2) "a":

(1) The radiation level within the area, from the source of radiation, is reduced below that at which it would be possible for an individual to receive a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour; and

(2) Conspicuous visible and audible alarm signals are generated to make an individual attempting to enter the area aware of the hazard and at least one other authorized individual, who is physically present, familiar with the activity, and prepared to render or summon assistance, aware of the failure of the entry control devices.

*c.* The licensee shall provide control devices so that, upon failure or removal of physical radiation barriers other than the sealed source's shielded storage container:

(1) The radiation level from the source of radiation is reduced below that at which it would be possible for an individual to receive a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour; and

(2) Conspicuous visible and audible alarm signals are generated to make potentially affected individuals aware of the hazard and the licensee or at least one other individual, who is familiar with the activity and prepared to render or summon assistance, aware of the failure or removal of the physical barrier.

*d.* When the shield for stored sealed sources is a liquid, the licensee shall provide means to monitor the integrity of the shield and to signal, automatically, loss of adequate shielding.

*e.* Physical radiation barriers that comprise permanent structural components, such as walls, that have no credible probability of failure or removal in ordinary circumstances need not meet the requirements of 40.44(2) "c" and 40.44(2) "d."

*f.* Each area shall be equipped with devices that will automatically generate conspicuous visible and audible alarm signals to alert personnel in the area before the source of radiation can be put into operation and in time for any individual in the area to operate a clearly identified control device, which must be installed in the area and which can prevent the source of radiation from being put into operation.

*g.* Each area shall be controlled by use of such administrative procedures and such devices as are necessary to ensure that the area is cleared of personnel prior to each use of the source of radiation.

*h.* Each area shall be checked by a radiation measurement to ensure that, prior to the first individual's entry into the area after any use of the source of radiation, the radiation level from the source of radiation in the area is below that at which it would be possible for an individual to receive a deep dose equivalent in excess of 0.1 rem (1 mSv) in 1 hour.

*i.* The entry control devices required in 40.44(2) "a" shall be tested for proper functioning. See 40.89(136C) for record-keeping requirements.

(1) Testing shall be conducted prior to initial operation with the source of radiation on any day, unless operations were continued uninterrupted from the previous day; and

(2) Testing shall be conducted prior to resumption of operation of the source of radiation after any unintentional interruption; and

(3) The licensee or registrant shall submit and adhere to a schedule for periodic tests of the entry control and warning systems.

*j.* The licensee or registrant shall not conduct operations, other than those necessary to place the source of radiation in safe condition or to effect repairs on controls, unless control devices are functioning properly.

*k.* Entry and exit portals that are used in transporting materials to and from the irradiation area, and that are not intended for use by individuals, shall be controlled by such devices and administrative procedures as are necessary to physically protect and warn against inadvertent entry by any individual through these portals. Exit portals for irradiated materials shall be equipped to detect and signal the presence of any loose radioactive material that is carried toward such an exit and to automatically prevent loose radioactive material from being carried out of the area.

**40.44(3)** Licensees, registrants, or applicants for licenses or registrations for sources of radiation within the purview of 40.44(2) which will be used in a variety of positions or in locations, such as open fields or forests, that make it impracticable to comply with certain requirements of 40.44(2), such as

those for the automatic control of radiation levels, may apply to the Agency for approval of alternative safety measures. Alternative safety measures shall provide personnel protection at least equivalent to those specified in 40.44(2). At least one of the alternative measures shall include an entry-preventing interlock control based on a measurement of the radiation that ensures the absence of high radiation levels before an individual can gain access to the area where such sources of radiation are used.

**40.44(4)** The entry control devices required by 40.44(2) and 40.44(3) shall be established in such a way that no individual will be prevented from leaving the area.

**641—40.45 to 40.47** Reserved.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION AND CONTROLS TO RESTRICT  
INTERNAL EXPOSURE IN RESTRICTED AREAS

**641—40.48(136C) Use of process or other engineering controls.** The licensee shall use, to the extent practical, process or other engineering controls, such as containment, decontamination, or ventilation, to control the concentrations of radioactive material in air.

**641—40.49(136C) Use of other controls.**

**40.49(1)** When it is not practical to apply process or other engineering controls to control the concentrations of radioactive material in air to values below those that define an airborne radioactivity area, the licensee shall, consistent with maintaining the total effective dose equivalent ALARA, increase monitoring and limit intakes by one or more of the following means:

- a. Control of access;
- b. Limitation of exposure times;
- c. Use of respiratory protection equipment; or
- d. Other controls.

**40.49(2)** If the licensee performs an ALARA analysis to determine whether or not respirators should be used, the licensee may consider safety factors other than radiological factors. The licensee should also consider the impact of respirator use on workers' industrial health and safety.

**641—40.50(136C) Use of individual respiratory protection equipment.**

**40.50(1)** If the licensee assigns or permits the use of respiratory protection equipment to limit intakes pursuant to 40.49(136C):

- a. The licensee shall use only respiratory protection equipment that is tested and certified by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), except as otherwise noted in this subrule.
- b. If the licensee wishes to use equipment that has not been tested or certified by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health or for which there is no schedule for testing or certification, the licensee shall submit an application for authorized use of that equipment, including a demonstration by testing, or a demonstration on the basis of reliable test information, that the material and performance characteristics of the equipment are capable of providing the proposed degree of protection under anticipated conditions of use.

- c. The licensee or registrant shall implement and maintain a respiratory protection program that includes:

- (1) Air sampling sufficient to identify the potential hazard, permit proper equipment selection, and estimate doses;
- (2) Surveys and bioassays, as appropriate, to evaluate actual intakes;
- (3) Testing of respirators for operability (user seal check for face sealing devices and functional check for others) immediately prior to each use;
- (4) Written procedures regarding monitoring, including air sampling and bioassays; supervision and training of respirator user; fit testing; respirator selection; breathing air quality; inventory and control; storage, issuance, maintenance, repair, testing, and quality assurance of respiratory protection equipment; record keeping; and limitations on periods of respirator use and relief from respirator use;

(5) Determination by a physician that the individual user is medically fit to use respiratory protection equipment: before the initial fitting of a face-sealing respirator; before the first field use of non-face-sealing respirators; and either every 12 months thereafter, or periodically at a frequency determined by a physician; and

(6) Fit testing, with a fit factor equal to or greater than 10 times the APF for negative pressure devices, and a fit factor equal to or greater than 500 for any positive pressure, continuous flow, and pressure-demand devices, before the first field use of tight-fitting, face-sealing respirators and periodically thereafter at a frequency not to exceed one year. Fit testing must be performed with the facepiece operating in the negative pressure mode.

*d.* The licensee shall advise each respirator user that the user may leave the area at any time for relief from respirator use in the event of equipment malfunction, physical or psychological distress, procedural or communication failure, significant deterioration of operating conditions, or any other conditions that might require such relief.

*e.* The licensee shall also consider limitations appropriate to the type and mode of use. When selecting respiratory devices, the licensee shall provide for vision correction, adequate communication, low temperature work environments, and the concurrent use of other safety or radiological protection equipment. The licensee shall use equipment in such a way as not to interfere with the proper operation of the respirator.

*f.* Standby rescue persons are required whenever one-piece atmosphere-supplying suits or any combination of supplied air respiratory protection devices and personnel protection equipment is used from which an unaided individual would have difficulty extricating himself or herself. The standby rescue persons must be equipped with respiratory protection devices or other apparatus appropriate for the potential hazards. The standby rescue persons shall observe or otherwise maintain continuous communication (visual, voice, signal line, telephone, radio, or other suitable means) with the workers, and be immediately available to assist the workers in case of a failure of the air supply or for any other reason that requires relief from distress. A sufficient number of standby rescue persons must be immediately available to assist all users of this type of equipment and to provide effective emergency rescue if needed.

*g.* Atmosphere-supplying respirators must be supplied with respirable air of grade D quality or better as defined by the Compressed Gas Association in publication G-7.1, "Commodity Specification for Air," 1997, and included in the regulations of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (29 CFR 1910.134(i)(1)(ii)(A) through (E)). Grade D quality air criteria include:

- (1) Oxygen content (v/v) of 19.5 to 23.5 percent;
- (2) Hydrocarbon (condensed) content of 5 milligrams per cubic meter of air or less;
- (3) Carbon monoxide (CO) content of 10 ppm or less;
- (4) Carbon dioxide content of 1000 ppm or less; and
- (5) Lack of noticeable odor.

*h.* The licensee shall ensure that no objects, materials or substances, such as facial hair, or any conditions that interfere with the face, facepiece seal or valve function, and that are under the control of the respirator wearer, are present between the skin of the wearer's face and the sealing surface of a tight-fitting respirator facepiece.

*i.* In the estimation of the dose to individuals from intake of airborne radioactive materials, the concentration of radioactive material in the air that is inhaled when respirators are worn is initially assumed to be the ambient concentration in air without respiratory protection, divided by the assigned protection factor. If the dose is later found to be greater than the estimated dose, the corrected value must be used. If the dose is later found to be less than the estimated dose, the corrected value may be used.

**40.50(2)** When estimating exposure of individuals to airborne radioactive materials, the licensee may make allowance for respiratory protection equipment used to limit intakes pursuant to 40.49(136C), provided that the following conditions, in addition to those in 40.50(1), are satisfied:

*a.* The licensee selects respiratory protection equipment that provides a protection factor, specified in Appendix A, greater than the multiple by which peak concentrations of airborne radioactive materials in the working area are expected to exceed the values specified in Appendix B, Table I, Column 3.



However, if the selection of respiratory protection equipment with a protection factor greater than the multiple defined in the preceding sentence is inconsistent with the goal specified in 40.49(136C) of keeping the total effective dose equivalent ALARA, the licensee or registrant may select respiratory protection equipment with a lower protection factor provided that such a selection would result in a total effective dose equivalent that is ALARA. The concentration of radioactive material in the air that is inhaled when respirators are worn may be initially estimated by dividing the average concentration in air, during each period of uninterrupted use, by the protection factor. If the exposure is later found to be greater than initially estimated, the corrected value shall be used; if the exposure is later found to be less than initially estimated, the corrected value may be used.

*b.* The licensee shall obtain authorization from the agency before assigning respiratory protection factors in excess of those specified in Appendix A. The agency may authorize a licensee to use higher protection factors on receipt of an application that:

- (1) Describes the situation for which a need exists for higher protection factors, and
- (2) Demonstrates that the respiratory protection equipment provides these higher protection factors under the proposed conditions of use.

**40.50(3)** In an emergency, the licensee shall use as emergency equipment only respiratory protection equipment that has been specifically certified or had certification extended for emergency use by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

**40.50(4)** Further restrictions.

*a.* The licensee shall notify the agency in writing at least 30 days before the date that respiratory protection equipment is first used pursuant to either 40.50(1) or 40.50(2).

*b.* The agency may impose restrictions in addition to those listed in these rules in order to:

- (1) Ensure that the respiratory protection program of the licensee is adequate to limit doses to individuals from intakes of airborne radioactive materials consistent with maintaining total effective dose equivalent ALARA; and
- (2) Limit the extent to which a licensee may use respiratory protection equipment instead of process or other engineering controls.

**641—40.51 to 40.53** Reserved.

STORAGE AND CONTROL OF LICENSED OR REGISTERED  
SOURCES OF RADIATION

**641—40.54(136C) Security and control of licensed radioactive material in quantities of concern.**

**40.54(1)** The following increased controls apply to licensees that, at any given time, possess radioactive sources greater than or equal to the quantities of concern of radioactive material defined in Appendix G.

**40.54(2)** In order to ensure the safe handling, use, and control of licensed material in use and in storage, each licensee shall control access at all times to radioactive material quantities of concern and devices containing such radioactive material (devices), and limit access to such radioactive material and devices to only approved individuals who require access to perform their duties.

*a.* The licensee shall allow only trustworthy and reliable individuals, approved in writing by the licensee, to have unescorted access to radioactive material quantities of concern and devices. The licensee shall approve for unescorted access only those individuals with job duties that require access to such radioactive material and devices. Personnel who require access to such radioactive material and devices to perform a job duty, but who are not approved by the licensee for unescorted access, must be escorted by an approved individual.

*b.* For individuals employed by the licensee for three years or less, and for nonlicensee personnel, such as physicians, physicists, housekeeping personnel, and security personnel under contract, trustworthiness and reliability shall be determined, at a minimum, by verifying employment history, education, and personal references. The licensee shall also, to the extent possible, obtain independent information to corroborate that information provided by the employee (i.e., seek references not supplied

by the individual). For individuals employed by the licensee for longer than three years, trustworthiness and reliability shall be determined, at a minimum, by a review of the employees' employment history with the licensee.

*c.* Service providers shall be escorted unless determined to be trustworthy and reliable by an NRC-required background investigation as an employee of a manufacturing and distribution (M&D) licensee. Written verification attesting to or certifying the person's trustworthiness and reliability shall be obtained from the manufacturing and distribution licensee providing the service.

*d.* The licensee shall document the basis for concluding that there is reasonable assurance that an individual granted unescorted access is trustworthy and reliable, and does not constitute an unreasonable risk for unauthorized use of radioactive material quantities of concern. The licensee shall maintain a list of persons approved by the licensee for unescorted access to such radioactive material and devices.

**40.54(3)** In order to ensure the safe handling, use, and control of licensed material in use and in storage, each licensee shall have a documented program to monitor and immediately detect, assess, and respond to unauthorized access to radioactive material quantities of concern and devices. Enhanced monitoring shall be provided during periods of source delivery or shipment, when the delivery or shipment exceeds 100 times the Appendix G values.

*a.* The licensee shall respond immediately to any actual or attempted theft, sabotage, or diversion of such radioactive material or of the devices. The response shall include requesting assistance from a local law enforcement agency (LLEA).

*b.* The licensee shall have a prearranged plan with the LLEA for assistance in response to an actual or attempted theft, sabotage, or diversion of such radioactive material or of the devices which is consistent in scope and timing with realistic potential vulnerability of the sources containing such radioactive material. The prearranged plan shall be updated when changes to the facility design or operation affect the potential vulnerability of the sources. Prearranged LLEA coordination is not required for temporary job sites.

*c.* The licensee shall have a dependable means to transmit information between and among the various components used to detect and identify an unauthorized intrusion, to inform the assessor, and to summon the appropriate responder.

*d.* After initiating an appropriate response to any actual or attempted theft, sabotage, or diversion of radioactive material or of the devices, the licensee shall, as promptly as possible, notify the bureau of radiological health at (515)281-3478 during normal working hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. After hours and on holidays, the licensee shall call (515)323-4360 and request the homeland security and emergency management duty officer.

*e.* The licensee shall maintain documentation describing each instance of unauthorized access and any necessary corrective actions to prevent future instances of unauthorized access.

**40.54(4)** In order to ensure the safe handling, use, and control of licensed material in transportation for domestic highway and rail shipments by a carrier other than the licensee for quantities that equal or exceed those in Appendix G but are less than 100 times Appendix G quantities, per consignment, the licensee shall:

*a.* Use carriers that:

- (1) Use package tracking systems;
- (2) Implement methods to ensure trustworthiness and reliability of drivers;
- (3) Maintain either constant control or surveillance during transit;
- (4) Have the capability for immediate communication to summon appropriate response or assistance;

*b.* Verify and document that the carrier employs the measures listed in paragraph "a";

*c.* Contact the recipient to coordinate the expected arrival time of the shipment;

*d.* Confirm receipt of the shipment; and

*e.* Initiate an investigation to determine the location of the licensed material if the shipment does not arrive on or about the expected arrival time. When, through the course of the investigation, it is determined that the shipment has become lost, stolen, or missing, the licensee shall immediately notify the bureau of radiological health at (515)281-3478 during normal working hours of 7:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. After hours and on holidays, the licensee shall call (515)323-4360 and request the homeland security and emergency management duty officer. If, after 24 hours of investigating, the location of the material still cannot be determined, the radioactive material shall be deemed missing and the licensee shall immediately notify the bureau of radiological health.

**40.54(5)** For domestic highway and rail shipments, prior to shipping licensed radioactive material that exceeds 100 times the quantities in Appendix G per consignment, the licensee shall:

*a.* Notify the NRC (Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555) in writing, at least 90 days prior to the anticipated date of shipment. The NRC will issue the Order to implement the Additional Security Measures (ASMs) for the transportation of Radioactive Material Quantities of Concern (RAM QC). The licensee shall not ship the material until the ASMs for the transportation of RAM QC are implemented or the licensee is notified otherwise, in writing, by the NRC.

*b.* Once the licensee has implemented the ASMs for the transportation of RAM QC, the notification requirements of 40.54(5)“*a*” shall not apply to future shipments of licensed radioactive material that exceed 100 times the Appendix G quantities. The licensee shall implement the ASMs for the transportation of RAM QC.

**40.54(6)** If a licensee employs an M&D licensee to take possession of the licensed radioactive material and ship it under the M&D licensee’s M&D license, the requirements of 40.54(4) and 40.54(5) above shall not apply.

**40.54(7)** If the licensee is to receive radioactive material greater than or equal to the Appendix G quantities, per consignment, the licensee shall coordinate with the originating licensee to:

*a.* Establish an expected time of delivery; and

*b.* Confirm receipt of transferred radioactive material. If the material is not received at the expected time of delivery, notify the originating licensee and assist in any investigation.

**40.54(8)** In order to ensure the safe handling, use, and control of licensed material in use and in storage, each licensee that possesses mobile or portable devices containing radioactive material in quantities greater than or equal to Appendix G values shall:

*a.* For portable devices, have two independent physical controls that form tangible barriers to secure the material from unauthorized removal when the device is not under direct control and constant surveillance by the licensee.

*b.* For mobile devices:

(1) That are only moved outside of the facility (e.g., on a trailer), have two independent physical controls that form tangible barriers to secure the material from unauthorized removal when the device is not under direct control and constant surveillance by the licensee.

(2) That are only moved inside a facility, have a physical control that forms a tangible barrier to secure the material from unauthorized movement or removal when the device is not under direct control and constant surveillance by the licensee.

*c.* For devices in or on a vehicle or trailer, have a method to disable the vehicle or trailer when not under direct control and constant surveillance by the licensee.

**40.54(9)** The licensee shall retain documentation required by the increased controls for three years after the increased controls are no longer effective.

*a.* The licensee shall retain documentation regarding the trustworthiness and reliability of individual employees for three years after an individual’s employment ends.

*b.* Each time the licensee revises the list of approved persons required by 40.54(2)“*d*,” or the documented program required by 40.54(3), the licensee shall retain the previous documentation for three years after the revision.

*c.* The licensee shall retain documentation on each radioactive material carrier for three years after the licensee discontinues use of that particular carrier.

*d.* The licensee shall retain documentation on shipment coordination, notifications, and investigations for three years after the shipment or investigation is completed.

*e.* After the license is terminated or amended to reduce possession limits below the quantities of concern, the licensee shall retain all documentation required by these increased controls for three years.

**40.54(10)** Detailed information generated by the licensee that describes the physical protection of radioactive material quantities of concern is sensitive information and shall be protected from unauthorized disclosure.

*a.* The licensee shall control access to its physical protection information to those persons who have an established need to know the information and are considered to be trustworthy and reliable.

*b.* The licensee shall develop, maintain, and implement policies and procedures for controlling access to, and for proper handling and protection against unauthorized disclosure of, its physical protection information for radioactive material covered by these requirements. The policies and procedures shall include the following:

(1) General performance requirement that each person who produces, receives, or acquires the licensee's sensitive information protect the information from unauthorized disclosure;

(2) Protection of sensitive information during use, storage, and transit;

(3) Preparation, identification or marking, and transmission;

(4) Access controls;

(5) Destruction of documents;

(6) Use of automatic data processing systems; and

(7) Removal from the licensee's sensitive information category.

**641—40.55(136C) Security and control of licensed or registered sources of radiation.**

1. The licensee or registrant shall secure licensed or registered radioactive material that is stored in controlled or unrestricted areas from unauthorized removal or access.

2. The licensee or registrant shall maintain constant surveillance and use devices or administrative procedures to prevent unauthorized use of licensed or registered radioactive material that is in an unrestricted area and that is not in storage.

3. The registrant shall secure registered radiation machines from unauthorized removal.

4. The registrant shall use devices or administrative procedures to prevent unauthorized use of registered radiation machines.

5. Security requirements for portable gauges. Each portable gauge licensee shall use a minimum of two independent physical controls that form tangible barriers to secure portable gauges from unauthorized removal, whenever portable gauges are not under the control and constant surveillance of the licensee.

**641—40.56(136C) Control of sources of radiation not in storage.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**641—40.57 to 40.59** Reserved.

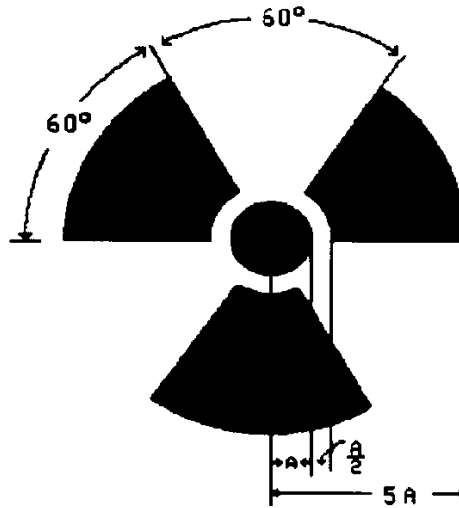
PRECAUTIONARY PROCEDURES

**641—40.60(136C) Caution signs.**

**40.60(1) Standard radiation symbol.** Unless otherwise authorized by the agency, the symbol prescribed by this rule shall use the colors magenta, or purple, or black on yellow background. The symbol prescribed is the three-bladed design as follows:

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1. Cross-hatched area is to be magenta, or purple, or black, and
2. The background is to be yellow.



**40.60(2) Exception to color requirements for standard radiation symbol.** Notwithstanding the requirements of 40.60(1), licensees are authorized to label sources, source holders, or device components containing sources of radiation that are subjected to high temperatures, with conspicuously etched or stamped radiation caution symbols and without a color requirement.

**40.60(3) Additional information on signs and labels.** In addition to the contents of signs and labels prescribed in this chapter, the licensee or registrant shall provide, on or near the required signs and labels, additional information, as appropriate, to make individuals aware of potential radiation exposures and to minimize the exposures.

**40.60(4) Improper posting or labeling.** The licensee or registrant shall ensure that adequate measures are taken to prevent improper posting or labeling.

#### 641—40.61(136C) Posting requirements.

**40.61(1) Posting of radiation areas.** The licensee or registrant shall post each radiation area with a conspicuous sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, RADIATION AREA”.

**40.61(2) Posting of high radiation areas.** The licensee or registrant shall post each high radiation area with a conspicuous sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, HIGH RADIATION AREA” or “DANGER, HIGH RADIATION AREA”.

**40.61(3) Posting of very high radiation areas.** The licensee or registrant shall post each very high radiation area with a conspicuous sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and words “GRAVE DANGER, VERY HIGH RADIATION AREA”.

**40.61(4) Posting of airborne radioactivity areas.** The licensee shall post each airborne radioactivity area with a conspicuous sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, AIRBORNE RADIOACTIVITY AREA” or “DANGER, AIRBORNE RADIOACTIVITY AREA”.

**40.61(5) Posting of areas or rooms in which licensed or registered material is used or stored.** The licensee shall post each area or room in which there is used or stored an amount of licensed material exceeding ten times the quantity of such material specified in Appendix C with a conspicuous sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL(S)” or “DANGER, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL(S)”.

#### 641—40.62(136C) Exceptions to posting requirements.

**40.62(1)** A licensee or registrant is not required to post caution signs in areas or rooms containing sources of radiation for periods of less than eight hours, if each of the following conditions is met:

*a.* The sources of radiation are constantly attended during these periods by an individual who takes the precautions necessary to prevent the exposure of individuals to sources of radiation in excess of the limits established in this chapter; and

*b.* The area or room is subject to the licensee's or registrant's control.

**40.62(2)** Rooms or other areas in hospitals that are occupied by patients are not required to be posted with caution signs pursuant to 40.61(136C) provided that the patient could be released from licensee control pursuant to 641—subrule 41.2(27).

**40.62(3)** A room or area is not required to be posted with a caution sign because of the presence of a sealed source provided the radiation level at 30 centimeters from the surface of the sealed source container or housing does not exceed 0.005 rem (0.05 mSv) per hour.

**40.62(4)** A room or area is not required to be posted with a caution sign because of the presence of radiation machines used solely for diagnosis or simulation in the healing arts.

**40.62(5)** Rooms in hospitals or clinics that are used for teletherapy are exempt from the requirement to post caution signs under 641—40.61(136C) if:

*a.* Access to the room is controlled pursuant to 641—subrule 41.2(53); and

*b.* Personnel in attendance take necessary precautions to prevent an inadvertent exposure of workers, other patients, and members of the public to radiation in excess of the limits established in this chapter.

**641—40.63(136C) Labeling containers and radiation machines.**

**40.63(1)** The licensee shall ensure that each container of licensed material bears a durable, clearly visible label bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL” or “DANGER, RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL”. The label shall also provide information, such as the radionuclides present, an estimate of the quantity of radioactivity, the date for which the activity is estimated, radiation levels, kinds of materials, and mass enrichment, to permit individuals handling or using the containers, or working in the vicinity of the containers, to take precautions to avoid or minimize exposures.

**40.63(2)** Each licensee shall, prior to removal or disposal of empty uncontaminated containers to unrestricted areas, remove or deface the radioactive material label or otherwise clearly indicate that the container no longer contains radioactive materials.

**40.63(3)** Each registrant shall ensure that each radiation machine is labeled in a conspicuous manner which cautions individuals that radiation is produced when it is energized.

**641—40.64(136C) Exemptions to labeling requirements.** A licensee is not required to label:

**40.64(1)** Containers holding licensed materials in quantities less than the quantities listed in Appendix C; or

**40.64(2)** Containers holding licensed material in concentrations less than those specified in Table III of Appendix B; or

**40.64(3)** Containers attended by an individual who takes the precautions necessary to prevent the exposure of individuals in excess of the limits established by this chapter; or

**40.64(4)** Containers when they are in transport and packaged and labeled in accordance with the rules of the U.S. Department of Transportation;<sup>1</sup> or

**40.64(5)** Containers that are accessible only to individuals authorized to handle or use them, or to work in the vicinity of the containers, if the contents are identified to these individuals by a readily available written record. Examples of containers of this type are containers in locations such as water-filled canals, storage vaults, or hot cells. The record shall be retained as long as the containers are in use for the purpose indicated on the record; or

**40.64(6)** Installed manufacturing or process equipment, such as piping and tanks.

<sup>1</sup> Labeling of packages containing radioactive materials is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation if the amount and type of radioactive material exceeds the limits for an excepted quantity or article as defined and limited by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations 49 CFR 173.403(m) and (w) and 173.421-424.

**641—40.65(136C) Procedures for receiving and opening packages.**

**40.65(1)** Each licensee who expects to receive a package containing quantities of radioactive material in excess of a Type A quantity shall make arrangements to receive:

- a. The package when the carrier offers it for delivery; or
- b. The notification of the arrival of the package at the carrier's terminal and to take possession of the package expeditiously.

**40.65(2)** Each licensee shall:

a. Monitor the external surfaces of a labeled<sup>1</sup> package for radioactive contamination unless the package contains only radioactive material in the form of gas or in special form as defined in 641—Chapter 38;

b. Monitor the external surfaces of a labeled<sup>1</sup> package for radiation levels unless the package contains quantities of radioactive material that are less than or equal to the Type A quantity; and

c. Monitor all packages known to contain radioactive material for radioactive contamination and radiation levels if there is evidence of degradation of package integrity, such as packages that are crushed, wet, or damaged.

**40.65(3)** The licensee shall perform the monitoring required by 40.65(2) as soon as practicable after receipt of the package, but not later than three hours after the package is received at the licensee's facility if it is received during the licensee's normal working hours, or not later than three hours from the beginning of the next working day if it is received after working hours.

**40.65(4)** The licensee shall immediately notify the final delivery carrier and, by telephone and telegram, mailgram, or facsimile, the Agency when:

- a. Removable radioactive surface contamination exceeds the limits of 49 CFR 173.443; or
- b. External radiation levels exceed the limits of 10 CFR 71.47 as set forth in rule 641—39.5(136C).

**40.65(5)** Each licensee shall:

a. Establish, maintain, and retain written procedures for safely opening packages in which radioactive material is received; and

b. Ensure that the procedures are followed and that due consideration is given to special instructions for the type of package being opened.

**40.65(6)** Licensees transferring special form sources in vehicles owned or operated by the licensee or registrant to and from a work site are exempt from the contamination monitoring requirements of 40.65(2), but are not exempt from the monitoring requirement in 40.65(2), for measuring radiation levels that ensure that the source is still properly lodged in its shield.

<sup>1</sup> Labeled with a Radioactive e White I, Yellow II, or Yellow III label as specified in U.S. Department of Transportation regulations 49 CFR 172.403 and 172.436-440.

**641—40.66 to 40.69** Reserved.

## WASTE DISPOSAL

**641—40.70(136C) General requirements.**

**40.70(1)** A licensee shall dispose of licensed material only:

- a. By transfer to an authorized recipient as provided in 40.74(136C) or 641—39.4(136C), or to the U.S. Department of Energy; or
- b. By decay in storage; or
- c. By release in effluents within the limits in 40.72(1) "d"; or
- d. As authorized pursuant to 40.71(136C), 40.72(136C), 40.73(136C), or 40.74(136C).

**40.70(2)** A person shall be specifically licensed to receive waste containing licensed material from other persons for:

- a. Treatment prior to disposal; or
- b. Treatment or disposal by incineration; or
- c. Decay in storage; or

- d.* Storage until transferred to a storage or disposal facility authorized to receive the waste.

**641—40.71(136C) Method for obtaining approval of proposed disposal procedures.** A licensee or applicant for a license may apply to the Agency for approval of proposed procedures, not otherwise authorized in these rules, to dispose of licensed material generated in the licensee's operations. Each application shall include:

**40.71(1)** A description of the waste containing licensed material to be disposed of, including the physical and chemical properties that have an impact on risk evaluation, and the proposed manner and conditions of waste disposal; and

**40.71(2)** An analysis and evaluation of pertinent information on the nature of the environment; and

**40.71(3)** The nature and location of other potentially affected facilities; and

**40.71(4)** Analyses and procedures to ensure that doses are maintained ALARA and within the dose limits in this chapter.

**641—40.72(136C) Disposal by release into sanitary sewerage.**

**40.72(1)** A licensee may discharge licensed material into sanitary sewerage if each of the following conditions is satisfied:

*a.* The material is readily soluble, or is readily dispersible biological material, in water; and

*b.* The quantity of licensed radioactive material that the licensee releases into the sewer in one month divided by the average monthly volume of water released into the sewer by the licensee does not exceed the concentration listed in Table III of Appendix B; and

*c.* If more than one radionuclide is released, the following conditions must also be satisfied:

(1) The licensee shall determine the fraction of the limit in Table III of Appendix B represented by discharges into sanitary sewerage by dividing the actual monthly average concentration of each radionuclide released by the licensee into the sewer by the concentration of that radionuclide listed in Table III of Appendix B; and

(2) The sum of the fractions for each radionuclide required by 40.72(1) "c"(1) does not exceed unity; and

*d.* The total quantity of licensed radioactive material that the licensee releases into the sanitary sewerage in a year does not exceed 5 Ci (185 GBq) of hydrogen-3, 1 Ci (37 GBq) of carbon-14, and 1 Ci (37 GBq) of all other radioactive materials combined.

**40.72(2)** Excreta from individuals undergoing medical diagnosis or therapy with radioactive material are not subject to the limitations contained in 40.72(1).

**641—40.73(136C) Treatment or disposal by incineration.** A licensee may treat or dispose of licensed materials by incineration only in the amounts and forms specified in 40.74(136C) or as specifically approved by the Agency pursuant to 40.71(136C).

**641—40.74(136C) Disposal of specific wastes.**

**40.74(1)** A licensee may dispose of the following licensed material as if it were not radioactive:

*a.* 0.05  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (1.85 kBq), or less, of hydrogen-3 or carbon-14 per gram of medium used for liquid scintillation counting; and

*b.* 0.05  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (1.85 kBq), or less, of hydrogen-3 or carbon-14 per gram of animal tissue, averaged over the weight of the entire animal.

**40.74(2)** A licensee shall not dispose of tissue pursuant to 40.74(1) "b" in a manner that would permit its use either as food for humans or as animal feed.

**40.74(3)** The licensee shall maintain records in accordance with 40.88(136C).

**641—40.75(136C) Transfer for disposal and manifests.**

**40.75(1)** Any licensee shipping radioactive waste intended for ultimate disposal at a licensed land disposal facility must document the information required on the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and transfer this recorded manifest information to the intended consignee in accordance with Appendix D of this chapter.



**40.75(2)** Each shipment manifest must include a certification by the waste generator as specified in Section II of Appendix D of this chapter.

**40.75(3)** Each person involved in the transfer for disposal and disposal of waste, including the waste generator, waste collector, waste processor, and disposal facility operator, shall comply with the requirements specified in Section III of Appendix D of this chapter.

**641—40.76(136C) Compliance with environmental and health protection regulations.** Nothing in 40.70(136C), 40.71(136C), 40.72(136C), 40.73(136C), 40.74(136C), or 40.75(136C) relieves the licensee or registrant from complying with other applicable federal, state and local regulations governing any other toxic or hazardous properties of materials that may be disposed of to 40.70(136C), 40.71(136C), 40.72(136C), 40.73(136C), 40.74(136C), or 40.75(136C).

**641—40.77 to 40.79** Reserved.

#### RECORDS

**641—40.80(136C) General provisions.**

**40.80(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall use the special units curie, rad, rem and roentgen, counts per minute (cpm), disintegrations per minute (dpm), or the SI units becquerel, gray, sievert and coulomb per kilogram, including multiples and subdivisions, and shall clearly indicate the units of all quantities on records required by this chapter.

**40.80(2)** The licensee or registrant shall make a clear distinction among the quantities entered on the records required by this chapter, such as, total effective dose equivalent, total organ dose equivalent, shallow dose equivalent, lens dose equivalent, deep dose equivalent, or committed effective dose equivalent.

**40.80(3)** In the records required by this chapter, the licensee may record quantities in SI units in parentheses following each of the units specified in 40.80(1). However, all quantities must be recorded as stated in 40.80(1).

**40.80(4)** Notwithstanding the requirements of 40.80(1), when recording information on shipment manifests, as required in 641—40.75(136C), information must be recorded in the International System of Units (SI) or in SI and units as specified in 40.80(1).

**40.80(5)** Notwithstanding the requirements of 40.80(1), records of removable radioactive surface contamination on packages shall be recorded in disintegrations per minute (dpm).

**641—40.81(136C) Records of radiation protection programs.**

**40.81(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain records of the radiation protection program, including:

- a. The provisions of the program; and
- b. Audits and other reviews of program content and implementation.

**40.81(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records required by 40.81(1) “a” until the Agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record. The licensee or registrant shall retain the records required by 40.81(1) “b” for three years after the record is made.

**641—40.82(136C) Records of surveys.**

**40.82(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain records showing the results of surveys and calibrations required by 40.36(136C) and 40.65(2). The licensee or registrant shall retain these records for three years after the record is made.

**40.82(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain each of the following records until the Agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record:

- a. Records of the results of surveys to determine the dose from external sources of radiation used, in the absence of or in combination with individual monitoring data, in the assessment of individual dose equivalents; and

b. Records of the results of measurements and calculations used to determine individual intakes of radioactive material and used in the assessment of internal dose; and

c. Records showing the results of air sampling, surveys, and bioassays required pursuant to 40.50(1)“c”(1) and 40.50(1)“c”(2); and

d. Records of the results of measurements and calculations used to evaluate the release of radioactive effluents to the environment.

**40.82(3)** Upon termination of the license or registration, the licensee or registrant shall permanently store records required in 641—40.82(136C) or shall make provisions with the agency for transfer to the agency.

**641—40.83(136C) Records of tests for leakage or contamination of sealed sources.** Records of tests for leakage or contamination of sealed sources required by 40.32(136C) shall be kept in units of microcurie or becquerel and maintained for inspection by the agency for five years after the records are made.

**641—40.84(136C) Records of prior occupational dose.**

**40.84(1)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records of prior occupational dose and exposure history as specified in 40.19(136C) until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring this record. The licensee or registrant shall retain records used in preparing the record required in 40.84(136C) for three years after the record is made.

**40.84(2)** Upon termination of the license or registration, the licensee or registrant shall permanently store records required in 40.84(136C) or shall make provisions with the agency for transfer to the agency.

**641—40.85(136C) Records of planned special exposures.**

**40.85(1)** For each use of the provisions of 40.20(136C) for planned special exposures, the licensee or registrant shall maintain records that describe:

- a. The exceptional circumstances requiring the use of a planned special exposure; and
- b. The name of the management official who authorized the planned special exposure and a copy of the signed authorization; and
- c. What actions were necessary; and
- d. Why the actions were necessary; and
- e. What precautions were taken to assure that doses were maintained ALARA; and
- f. What individual and collective doses were expected to result; and
- g. The doses actually received in the planned special exposure.

**40.85(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring these records.

**40.85(3)** Upon termination of the license or registration, the licensee or registrant shall permanently store records required in 40.85(136C) or shall make provisions with the agency for transfer to the agency.

**641—40.86(136C) Records of individual monitoring results.**

**40.86(1) Record-keeping requirement.** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain records of doses received by all individuals for whom monitoring was required pursuant to 40.37(136C), and records of doses received during planned special exposures, accidents, and emergency conditions. Assessments of dose equivalent and records made using units in effect on or before January 1, 1994, need not be changed. These records shall include, when applicable:

- a. The deep dose equivalent to the whole body, eye dose equivalent, shallow dose equivalent to the skin, and shallow dose equivalent to the extremities; and
- b. The estimated intake of radionuclides, see 40.16(136C); and
- c. The committed effective dose equivalent assigned to the intake of radionuclides; and
- d. The specific information used to calculate the committed effective dose equivalent pursuant to 40.18(3); and
- e. The total effective dose equivalent when required by 40.16(136C); and

*f.* The total of the deep dose equivalent and the committed dose to the organ receiving the highest total dose.

**40.86(2) Record-keeping frequency.** The licensee or registrant shall make entries of the records specified in 40.86(1) at intervals not to exceed one year.

**40.86(3) Record-keeping format.** The licensee or registrant shall maintain the records specified in 40.86(1) in clear and legible form.

**40.86(4) Embryo/Fetus records.** The licensee or registrant shall maintain the records of dose to an embryo/fetus with the records of dose to the declared pregnant woman. The declaration of pregnancy, including the estimated date of conception, shall also be kept on file, but may be maintained separately from the dose records.

**40.86(5) Retention during license or registration.** The licensee or registrant shall retain each required form or record until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record.

**40.86(6) Retention after termination.** Upon termination of the license or registration, the licensee or registrant shall permanently store records required in 40.86(136C) or shall make provision with the agency for transfer to the agency.

**641—40.87(136C) Records of dose to individual members of the public.**

**40.87(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain records sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the dose limit for individual members of the public. See 40.26(136C).

**40.87(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records required by this rule until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record.

**641—40.88(136C) Records of waste disposal.**

**40.88(1)** Each licensee shall maintain records of the disposal of licensed materials made pursuant to 40.71(136C), 40.72(136C), 40.73(136C), 40.74(136C), and disposal or burial in soil.

**40.88(2)** The licensee shall retain the records required by 40.88(1) until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record.

**641—40.89(136C) Records of testing entry control devices for very high radiation areas.**

**40.89(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain records of tests made pursuant to 40.44(2) "j" on entry control devices for very high radiation areas. These records must include the date, time, and results of each such test of function.

**40.89(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records required by 40.89(1) for three years after the record is made.

**641—40.90(136C) Form of records.**

**40.90(1)** Each record required by Chapter 40 shall be legible throughout the specified retention period. The record shall be the original or a reproduced copy or a microform provided that the copy or microform is authenticated by authorized personnel and that the microform is capable of producing a clear copy throughout the required retention period, or the record may also be stored in electronic media with the capability for producing legible, accurate, and complete records during the required retention period. Records, such as letters, drawings, and specifications, shall include all pertinent information, such as stamps, initials, and signatures. The licensee or registrant shall maintain adequate safeguards against tampering with and loss of records.

**40.90(2)** The licensee or registrant shall retain the records required by Chapter 40 until the agency terminates each pertinent license or registration requiring the record.

**641—40.91 to 40.94** Reserved.

## REPORTS

**641—40.95(136C) Reports of stolen, lost, or missing licensed or registered sources of radiation.**

**40.95(1)** Telephone reports. Each licensee or registrant shall report to the agency by telephone as follows:

*a.* Immediately after its occurrence becomes known to the licensee, stolen, lost, or missing licensed radioactive material in an aggregate quantity equal to or greater than 1,000 times the quantity specified in Appendix C under such circumstances that it appears to the licensee that an exposure could result to individuals in unrestricted areas; or

*b.* Within 30 days after its occurrence becomes known to the licensee, lost, stolen, or missing licensed radioactive material in quantity greater than ten times the quantity specified in Appendix C that is still missing.

*c.* Immediately after its occurrence becomes known to the registrant, a stolen, lost, or missing radiation machine.

*d.* Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

**40.95(2)** Written reports. Each licensee or registrant required to make a report pursuant to 40.95(1) shall, within 30 days after making the telephone report, make a written report to the agency setting forth the following information:

*a.* A description of the licensed or registered source of radiation involved, including, for radioactive material, the kind, quantity, and chemical and physical form; and, for radiation machines, the manufacturer, model and serial number, type and maximum energy of radiation emitted; and

*b.* A description of the circumstances under which the loss or theft occurred; and

*c.* A statement of disposition, or probable disposition, of the licensed or registered source of radiation involved; and

*d.* Exposures of individuals to radiation, circumstances under which the exposures occurred, and the possible total effective dose equivalent to persons in unrestricted areas; and

*e.* Actions that have been taken, or will be taken, to recover the source of radiation; and

*f.* Procedures or measures that have been, or will be, adopted to ensure against a recurrence of the loss or theft of licensed or registered sources of radiation.

**40.95(3)** Subsequent to filing the written report, the licensee or registrant shall also report additional substantive information on the loss or theft within 30 days after the licensee or registrant learns of such information.

**40.95(4)** The licensee or registrant shall prepare any report filed with the agency pursuant to 40.95(136C) so that names of individuals who may have received exposure to radiation are stated in a separate and detachable portion of the report.

**641—40.96(136C) Notification of incidents.**

**40.96(1)** Immediate notification. Notwithstanding other requirements for notification, each licensee or registrant shall immediately report each event involving a source of radiation possessed by the licensee or registrant that may have caused or threatens to cause any of the following conditions:

*a.* An individual to receive:

(1) A total effective dose equivalent of 25 rem (0.25 Sv) or more; or

(2) A lens dose equivalent of 75 rem (0.75 Sv) or more; or

(3) A shallow dose equivalent to the skin or extremities of 250 rad (2.5 Gy) or more; or

*b.* The release of radioactive material, inside or outside of a restricted area, so that, had an individual been present for 24 hours, the individual could have received an intake five times the annual limit on intake. This provision does not apply to locations where personnel are not normally stationed during routine operations, such as hot-cells or process enclosures.

*c.* In addition to the requirements of paragraphs “*a*” and “*b*” above, each licensee shall notify the Iowa department of public health as soon as possible but not later than four hours after the discovery of an event that prevents immediate protective actions necessary to avoid exposures to radiation or radioactive

materials that could exceed regulatory limits or releases of licensed material that could exceed regulatory limits (events may include fires, explosions, toxic gas releases, and other such events).

**40.96(2)** Twenty-four-hour notification. Each licensee or registrant shall, within 24 hours of discovery of the event, report to the agency each event involving loss of control of a licensed or registered source of radiation possessed by the licensee or registrant that may have caused, or threatens to cause, any of the following conditions:

*a.* An individual to receive, in a period of 24 hours:

- (1) A total effective dose equivalent exceeding 5 rem (0.05 Sv); or
- (2) A lens dose equivalent exceeding 15 rem (0.15 Sv); or
- (3) A shallow dose equivalent to the skin or extremities exceeding 50 rem (0.5 Sv); or

*b.* The release of radioactive material, inside or outside of a restricted area, so that, had an individual been present for 24 hours, the individual could have received an intake in excess of one occupational ALI. This provision does not apply to locations where personnel are not normally stationed during routine operations, such as hot-cells or process enclosures.

*c.* In addition to the requirements of paragraphs “*a*” and “*b*” above, each licensee shall notify the Iowa department of public health within 24 hours after the discovery of any of the following events involving licensed material:

- (1) An unplanned contamination event that:
  1. Requires access to the contaminated area, by workers or the public, to be restricted for more than 24 hours by imposing additional radiological controls or by prohibiting entry into the area;
  2. Involves a quantity of material greater than five times the lowest annual limit on intake specified in Appendix B for the material; and
  3. Has access to the area restricted for a reason other than to allow isotopes with a half-life of less than 24 hours to decay prior to decontamination.
- (2) An event in which equipment is disabled or fails to function as designed when:
  1. The equipment is required by regulation or license condition to prevent releases exceeding regulatory limits, to prevent exposures to radiation and radioactive materials exceeding regulatory limits, or to mitigate the consequences of an accident;
  2. The equipment is required to be available and operable when it is disabled or fails to function; and
  3. No redundant equipment is available and operable to perform the required safety function.
- (3) An event that requires unplanned medical treatment at a medical facility of an individual with spreadable radioactive contamination on the individual’s clothing or body.
- (4) An unplanned fire or explosion damaging any licensed material or any device, container, or equipment containing licensed material when:
  1. The quantity of material involved is greater than five times the lowest annual limit on intake specified in Appendix B for the material; and
  2. The damage affects the integrity of the licensed material or its container.

**40.96(3)** The licensee or registrant shall prepare each report filed with the agency pursuant to 40.96(136C) so that names of individuals who have received exposure to sources of radiation are stated in a separate and detachable portion of the report.

**40.96(4)** Licensees or registrants shall make the reports required by 40.96(1) and 40.96(2) to the agency by telephone, telegram, mailgram, or facsimile.

*a.* Licensees or registrants making initial reports to the Iowa department of public health shall to the extent that the information is available at the time of notification include:

- (1) The caller’s name and call-back telephone number;
  - (2) A description of the event, including date and time;
  - (3) The exact location of the event;
  - (4) The isotopes, quantities, and chemical and physical form of the licensed material involved; and
  - (5) Any personnel radiation exposure data available.
- b.* Each licensee or registrant who makes a report required by 40.96(1) or 40.96(2) shall submit a written follow-up report within 30 days of the initial report. Written reports prepared pursuant to other

rules may be submitted to fulfill this requirement if the reports contain all of the necessary information. These written reports must be sent to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Radiological Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The reports must include the following:

- (1) A description of the event, including the probable cause and the manufacturer and model number (if applicable) of any equipment that failed or malfunctioned;
- (2) The exact location of the event;
- (3) The isotopes, quantities, and chemical and physical form of the licensed material involved;
- (4) Date and time of the event;
- (5) Corrective actions taken or planned and the results of any evaluations or assessments; and
- (6) The extent of exposure of individuals to radiation or to radioactive materials without identification of individuals by name.

**40.96(5)** The provisions of 641—40.96(136C) do not apply to doses that result from planned special exposures, provided such doses are within the limits for planned special exposures and are reported pursuant to 641—40.98(136C).

**641—40.97(136C) Reports of exposures, radiation levels, and concentrations of radioactive material exceeding the constraints or limits.**

**40.97(1)** Reportable events. In addition to the notification required by 40.96(136C), each licensee or registrant shall submit a written report within 30 days after learning of any of the following occurrences:

- a. Incidents for which notification is required by 40.96(136C); or
- b. Doses in excess of any of the following:
  - (1) The occupational dose limits for adults in 40.15(136C); or
  - (2) The occupational dose limits for a minor in 40.21(136C); or
  - (3) The limits for an individual member of the public in 40.26(136C); or
  - (4) Any applicable limit in the license or registration; or
  - (5) The ALARA constraints for air emissions established under 641—40.10(136C); or
  - (6) The limits for an embryo/fetus of a declared pregnant woman in 40.22(136C).
- c. Levels of radiation or concentrations of radioactive material in:
  - (1) A restricted area in excess of applicable limits in the license or registration; or
  - (2) An unrestricted area in excess of ten times the applicable limit set forth in this chapter or in the license or registration, whether or not involving exposure of any individual in excess of the limits in 40.26(136C); or
- d. For licensees subject to the provisions of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's generally applicable environmental radiation standards in 40 CFR 190, levels of radiation or releases of radioactive material in excess of those standards, or of license conditions related to those standards.

**40.97(2)** Contents of reports.

a. Each report required by 40.97(1) shall describe the extent of exposure of individuals to radiation and radioactive material, including, as appropriate:

- (1) Estimates of each individual's dose; and
  - (2) The levels of radiation and concentrations of radioactive material involved; and
  - (3) The cause of the elevated exposures, dose rates, or concentrations; and
  - (4) Corrective steps taken or planned to ensure against a recurrence, including the schedule for achieving conformance with applicable limits, ALARA constraints, generally applicable environmental standards, and associated license conditions. Each report filed pursuant to this paragraph must include the name, social security number, and date of birth for each occupationally overexposed individual. The report must be prepared so that this information is stated in a separate and detachable part of the report.
- b. Each report filed pursuant to 40.97(1) shall include for each individual exposed: the name, social security account number, and date of birth. With respect to the limit for the embryo/fetus in 40.22(136C), the identifiers should be those of the declared pregnant woman. The report shall be prepared so that this information is stated in a separate and detachable portion of the report.

**40.97(3)** All licensees or registrants who make reports pursuant to 40.97(1) to the agency shall also provide a copy of the report to the individual. Transmittal shall be at the same time as the transmittal to the agency.

**641—40.98(136C) Reports of planned special exposures.** The licensee or registrant shall submit a written report to the agency within 30 days following any planned special exposure conducted in accordance with 40.20(136C) informing the agency that a planned special exposure was conducted and indicating the date the planned special exposure occurred and the information required by 40.85(136C).

**641—40.99(136C) Reports of transactions involving nationally tracked sources.** Each licensee who manufactures, transfers, receives, disassembles, or disposes of a nationally tracked source shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report as specified in subrules 40.99(1) to 40.99(5) for each type of transaction.

**40.99(1)** Each licensee that manufactures a nationally tracked source shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report. The report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The manufacturer, model, and serial number of the source;
- d. The radioactive material in the source;
- e. The initial source strength in becquerels (curies) at the time of manufacture; and
- f. The manufacture date of the source.

**40.99(2)** Each licensee that transfers a nationally tracked source to another person shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report. The report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The name and license number of the recipient facility and the shipping address;
- d. The manufacturer, model, and serial number of the source or, if not available, other information to uniquely identify the source;
- e. The radioactive material in the source;
- f. The initial or current source strength in becquerels (curies);
- g. The date for which the source strength is reported;
- h. The shipping date;
- i. The estimated arrival date; and
- j. For nationally tracked sources transferred as waste under a Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest, the waste manifest number and the container identification with the nationally tracked source.

**40.99(3)** Each licensee that receives a nationally tracked source shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report. The report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The name, address, and license number of the person that provided the source;
- d. The manufacturer, model, and serial number of the source or, if not available, other information to uniquely identify the source;
- e. The radioactive material in the source;
- f. The initial or current source strength in becquerels (curies);
- g. The date for which the source strength is reported;
- h. The date of receipt; and
- i. For material received under a Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest, the waste manifest number and the container identification with the nationally tracked source.

**40.99(4)** Each licensee that disassembles a nationally tracked source shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report. The report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The manufacturer, model, and serial number of the source or, if not available, other information to uniquely identify the source;
- d. The radioactive material in the source;
- e. The initial or current source strength in becquerels (curies);
- f. The date for which the source strength is reported; and
- g. The disassemble date of the source.

**40.99(5)** Each licensee that disposes of a nationally tracked source shall complete and submit a National Source Tracking Transaction Report. The report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The waste manifest number;
- d. The container identification with the nationally tracked source;
- e. The date of disposal; and
- f. The method of disposal.

**40.99(6)** Reports discussed in subrules 40.99(1) to 40.99(5) must be submitted by the close of the next business day after the transaction. A single report may be submitted for multiple sources and transactions. The reports must be submitted to the National Source Tracking System by using:

- a. The on-line National Source Tracking System;
- b. Electronically using a computer-readable format;
- c. By facsimile;
- d. By mail to the address on the National Source Tracking Transaction Report Form (NRC Form 748); or
- e. By telephone with follow-up by facsimile or mail.

**40.99(7)** Each licensee shall correct any error in previously filed reports or file a new report for any missed transaction within five business days of the discovery of the error or missed transaction. Such errors may be detected by a variety of methods such as administrative reviews or by physical inventories required by regulation. In addition, each licensee shall reconcile the inventory of nationally tracked sources possessed by the licensee against that licensee's data in the National Source Tracking System. The reconciliation must be conducted during the month of January in each year. The reconciliation process must include resolving any discrepancies between the National Source Tracking System and the actual inventory by filing the reports identified by subrules 40.99(1) to 40.99(5). By January 31 of each year, each licensee must submit to the National Source Tracking System confirmation that the data in the National Source Tracking System is correct.

**40.99(8)** Each licensee that possesses Category 1 nationally tracked sources shall report its initial inventory of Category 1 nationally tracked sources to the National Source Tracking System by January 31, 2009. Each licensee that possesses Category 2 nationally tracked sources shall report its initial inventory of Category 2 nationally tracked sources to the National Source Tracking System by January 31, 2009. The information may be submitted by using any of the methods identified in subrule 40.99(6). The initial inventory report must include the following information:

- a. The name, address, and license number of the reporting licensee;
- b. The name of the individual preparing the report;
- c. The manufacturer, model, and serial number of each nationally tracked source or, if not available, other information to uniquely identify the source;
- d. The radioactive material in the sealed source;
- e. The initial or current source strength in becquerels (curies); and
- f. The date for which the source strength is reported.

**641—40.100(136C) Reports of individual monitoring.**

**40.100(1)** This section applies to each person licensed or registered by the agency to:



- a.* Possess or use sources of radiation for purposes of industrial radiography pursuant to 641—39.4(136C) and 641—Chapter 45; or
- b.* Receive radioactive waste from other persons for disposal pursuant to 10 CFR Part 61 of federal regulations or appropriate other Agreement State regulations; or
- c.* Possess or use at any time, for processing or manufacturing for distribution pursuant to 641—39.4(136C) or 641—41.2(136C), radioactive material in quantities exceeding any one of the following quantities:

Radionuclide	Activity <sup>a</sup>	
	Ci	GBq
Cesium-137	1	37
Cobalt-60	1	37
Gold-198	100	3,700
Iodine-131	1	37
Iridium-192	10	370
Krypton-85	1,000	37,000
Promethium-147	10	370
Technetium-99m	1,000	37,000

<sup>a</sup> The agency may require as a license condition, or by rule, regulation, or order pursuant to 40.105(136C), reports from licensees or registrants who are licensed or registered to use radionuclides not on this list, in quantities sufficient to cause comparable radiation levels.

**40.100(2)** Each licensee or registrant in a category listed in 40.100(1) shall submit an annual report of the results of individual monitoring carried out by the licensee or registrant for each individual for whom monitoring was required by 40.36(136C) during that year. The licensee or registrant may include additional data for individuals for whom monitoring was provided but not required.

**40.100(3)** The licensee or registrant shall file the report required by 40.100(2), covering the preceding year, on or before April 30 of each year. The licensee or registrant shall submit the report to the agency.

**641—40.101(136C) Notifications and reports to individuals.**

**40.101(1)** Requirements for notification and reports to individuals of exposure to radiation or radioactive material are specified in 641—40.112(136C).

**40.101(2)** When a licensee or registrant is required pursuant to 40.97(136C), 40.98(136C), or 40.100(136C) to report to the agency any exposure of an identified occupationally exposed individual, or an identified member of the public, to radiation or radioactive material, the licensee or registrant shall also provide a copy of the report submitted to this agency to the individual. Such notice shall be transmitted at a time not later than the transmittal to the agency, and shall comply with the provisions of 40.112(1).

**641—40.102(136C) Reports of leaking or contaminated sealed sources.** The licensee shall file a report within five days with the agency if the test for leakage or contamination required pursuant to 40.32(136C) indicates a sealed source is leaking or contaminated. The report shall include the equipment involved, the test results and the corrective action taken.

**641—40.103 and 40.104** Reserved.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

**641—40.105(136C) Vacating premises.** Each specific licensee shall, no less than 30 days before vacating or relinquishing possession or control of premises which may have been contaminated with radioactive material as a result of their activities, notify the agency in writing of intent to vacate. When

deemed necessary by the agency, the licensee shall decontaminate the premises in such a manner as the agency may specify.

**641—40.106 to 40.109** Reserved.

NOTICES, INSTRUCTIONS, AND REPORTS TO WORKERS; INSPECTIONS

**641—40.110(136C) Posting of notices to workers.**

**40.110(1)** Each licensee or registrant, except those registrants with diagnostic X-ray systems, shall post current copies of the following documents:

- a.* This subrule and 641—Chapter 40;
- b.* The license, certificate of registration, conditions or documents incorporated into the license by reference and amendments thereto;
- c.* The operating procedures applicable to activities under the license or registration; and
- d.* Any notice of violation involving radiological working conditions, proposed imposition of civil penalty, or order issued pursuant to 641—Chapter 38, and any response from the licensee or registrant.

**40.110(2)** If posting of a document specified in 40.110(1) “*a*,” 40.110(1) “*b*” and 40.110(1) “*c*” is not practical, the licensee or registrant may post a notice which describes the document and states where it may be examined.

**40.110(3)** Agency Form “Notice to Employees” shall be posted by each licensee or registrant.

**40.110(4)** Agency documents posted pursuant to 40.110(1) “*d*” shall be posted within two working days after receipt of the documents from the agency; the licensee’s or registrant’s response, if any, shall be posted within two working days after dispatch from the licensee or registrant. Such documents shall remain posted for a minimum of five working days or until action correcting the violation has been completed, whichever is later.

**40.110(5)** Documents, notices, or forms posted pursuant to 40.110(1) shall appear in a sufficient number of places to permit individuals engaged in work under the license or registration to observe them on the way to or from any particular work location to which the document applies, shall be conspicuous, and shall be replaced if defaced or altered.

**641—40.111(136C) Instructions to workers.**

**40.111(1)** All individuals who in the course of employment are likely to receive in a year an occupational dose in excess of 100 mrem (1 mSv):

- a.* Shall be kept informed of the storage, transfer, or use of sources of radiation;
- b.* Shall be instructed in the health protection problems associated with exposure to radiation or radioactive material to the individual and potential offspring, in precautions or procedures to minimize exposure, and in the purposes and functions of protective devices employed;
- c.* Shall be instructed in, and required to observe, to the extent within the worker’s control, the applicable provisions of these rules and licenses for the protection of personnel from exposures to radiation or radioactive material occurring in such areas;
- d.* Shall be instructed of their responsibility to report promptly to the licensee or registrant any condition which may constitute, lead to, or cause a violation of the Act, these rules, and licenses or unnecessary exposure to radiation or radioactive material;
- e.* Shall be instructed in the appropriate response to warnings made in the event of any unusual occurrence or malfunction that may involve exposure to radiation or radioactive material; and
- f.* Shall be advised as to the radiation exposure reports which workers shall be furnished pursuant to 641—40.112(136C).
- g.* The instruction in “*b*” through “*f*” above shall be conducted at least annually.
- h.* Shall be commensurate with potential radiological health protection problems present in the workplace.

**40.111(2)** In determining those individuals subject to the requirements of 40.111(1), consideration must be given to assigning activities during normal and abnormal situations involving exposure to

sources of radiation which can reasonably be expected to occur during the life of the facility. The extent of these instructions must be commensurate with potential radiological health protection problems present in the workplace.

**641—40.112(136C) Notifications and reports to individuals.**

**40.112(1)** Radiation exposure data for an individual and the results of any measurements, analyses, and calculations of radioactive material deposited or retained in the body of an individual shall be reported to the individual as specified in subrule 40.112(2). The information reported shall include data and results obtained pursuant to these rules, orders, or license conditions, as shown in records maintained by the licensee or registrant pursuant to 40.86(136C). Each notification and report shall:

- a. Be in writing;
- b. Include appropriate identifying data such as the name of the licensee or registrant, the name of the individual, and the individual's identification number, preferably social security number;
- c. Include the individual's exposure information; and
- d. Contain the following statement:

"This report is furnished to you under the provisions of 40.112(136C) of Iowa's Radiation Machine and Radioactive Materials rules. You should preserve this report for further reference."

**40.112(2)** Each licensee or registrant shall advise each worker annually of the worker's dose as shown in records maintained by the licensee or registrant pursuant to 40.86(136C).

**40.112(3)** Each licensee or registrant shall furnish a report of the worker's exposure to sources of radiation at the request of a worker formerly engaged in activities controlled by the licensee or registrant. The report shall include the dose record for each year the worker was required to be monitored pursuant to 40.37(136C). Such report shall be furnished within 30 days from the date of the request, or within 30 days after the dose of the individual has been determined by the licensee or registrant, whichever is later. The report shall cover the period of time that the worker's activities involved exposure to sources of radiation and shall include the dates and locations of work under the license or registration in which the worker participated during this period.

**40.112(4)** When a licensee or registrant is required pursuant to 40.97(136C) to report to the Agency any exposure of an individual to sources of radiation, the licensee or the registrant shall also provide the individual a report on the exposure data included therein. Such reports shall be transmitted at a time not later than the transmittal to the Agency.

**40.112(5)** At the request of a worker who is terminating employment with the licensee or registrant in work involving exposure to radiation or radioactive material, during the current year, each licensee or registrant shall provide at termination to each such worker, or to the worker's designee, a written report regarding the radiation dose received by that worker from operations of the licensee or registrant during the current year or fraction thereof. If the most recent individual monitoring results are not available at that time, a written estimate of the dose shall be provided together with a clear indication that this is an estimate.

**641—40.113(136C) Presence of representatives of licensees or registrants and workers during inspection.**

**40.113(1)** Each licensee or registrant shall afford to the Agency at all reasonable times opportunity to inspect materials, machines, activities, facilities, premises, and records pursuant to these rules.

**40.113(2)** During an inspection, Agency inspectors may consult privately with workers as specified in 40.114(136C). The licensee or registrant may accompany Agency inspectors during other phases of an inspection.

**40.113(3)** If, at the time of inspection, an individual has been authorized by the workers to represent them during Agency inspections, the licensee or registrant shall notify the inspectors of such authorization and shall give the workers' representative an opportunity to accompany the inspectors during the inspection of physical working conditions.

**40.113(4)** Each worker's representative shall be routinely engaged in work under control of the licensee or registrant and shall have received instructions as specified in 40.111(136C).

**40.113(5)** Different representatives of licensees or registrants and workers may accompany the inspectors during different phases of an inspection if there is no resulting interference with the conduct of the inspection. However, only one worker's representative at a time may accompany the inspectors.

**40.113(6)** With the approval of the licensee or registrant and the workers' representative, an individual who is not routinely engaged in work under control of the licensee or registrant, for example, a consultant to the licensee or registrant or to the workers' representative, shall be afforded the opportunity to accompany Agency inspectors during the inspection of physical working conditions.

**40.113(7)** Notwithstanding the other provisions of 40.113(136C), Agency inspectors are authorized to refuse to permit accompaniment by any individual who deliberately interferes with a fair and orderly inspection. With regard to areas containing information classified by an agency of the U.S. Government in the interest of national security, an individual who accompanies an inspector may have access to such information only if authorized to do so. With regard to any area containing proprietary information, the workers' representative for that area shall be an individual previously authorized by the licensee or registrant to enter that area.

**641—40.114(136C) Consultation with workers during inspections.**

**40.114(1)** Agency inspectors may consult privately with workers concerning matters of occupational radiation protection and other matters related to applicable provisions of these rules and licenses to the extent the inspectors deem necessary for the conduct of an effective and thorough inspection.

**40.114(2)** During the course of an inspection, any worker may bring privately to the attention of the inspectors, either orally or in writing, any past or present condition which the worker has reason to believe may have contributed to or caused any violation of the Act, these rules, or license condition, or any unnecessary exposure of an individual to sources of radiation under the licensee's or registrant's control. Any such notice in writing shall comply with the requirements of 40.115(1).

**40.114(3)** The provisions of 40.114(2) shall not be interpreted as authorization to disregard instructions pursuant to 40.111(136C).

**641—40.115(136C) Requests by workers for inspections.**

**40.115(1)** Any worker or representative of workers believing that a violation of the Act, these rules, or license conditions exists or has occurred in work under a license or registration with regard to radiological working conditions in which the worker is engaged may request an inspection by giving notice of the alleged violation to the Bureau of Radiological Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Any such notice shall be in writing, shall set forth the specific grounds for the notice, and shall be signed by the worker or representative of the workers. A copy shall be provided to the licensee or registrant by the Bureau of Radiological Health, no later than at the time of inspection except that, upon the request of the worker giving such notice, such worker's name and the name of individuals referred to therein shall not appear in such copy or on any record published, released, or made available by the Agency, except for good cause shown.

**40.115(2)** If, upon receipt of such notice, the Bureau of Radiological Health determines that the complaint meets the requirements set forth in 40.116(1), and that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the alleged violation exists or has occurred, an inspection shall be made as soon as practicable to determine if such alleged violation exists or has occurred. Inspections pursuant to 40.116(136C) need not be limited to matters referred to in the complaint.

**40.115(3)** No licensee, registrant, or contractor or subcontractor of a licensee or registrant shall discharge or in any manner discriminate against any worker because such worker has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding under these rules or has testified or is about to testify in any such proceeding or because of the exercise by such worker on behalf of such worker or others of any option afforded by this chapter.

**641—40.116(136C) Inspections not warranted—informal review.**

**40.116(1) a.** If the Bureau of Radiological Health determines, with respect to a complaint under this rule, that an inspection is not warranted because there are no reasonable grounds to believe that

a violation exists or has occurred, the Bureau of Radiological Health shall notify the complainant in writing of such determination. The complainant may obtain review of such determination by submitting a written statement of position with the Attorney General's Office. Such Agency will provide the licensee or registrant with a copy of such statement by certified mail, excluding, at the request of the complainant, the name of the complainant. The licensee or registrant may submit an opposing written statement of position with the Attorney General's Office. Such Agency will provide the complainant with a copy of such statement by certified mail.

b. Upon the request of the complainant, the Attorney General's Office may hold an informal conference in which the complainant and the licensee or registrant may orally present their views. An informal conference may also be held at the request of the licensee or registrant, but disclosure of the identity of the complainant will be made only following receipt of written authorization from the complainant. After considering all written and oral views presented, the Attorney General's Office shall affirm, modify, or reverse the determination of the Radiation Control Program and furnish the complainant and the licensee or registrant a written notification of the decision and the reason therefor.

**40.116(2)** If the Bureau of Radiological Health determines that an inspection is not warranted because the requirements of 40.116(1) have not been met, the complainant shall be notified in writing of such determination. Such determination shall be without prejudice to the filing of a new complaint meeting the requirements of 40.116(1).

#### **641—40.117(136C) Employee protection.**

**40.117(1)** Discrimination by a licensee or registrant, an applicant for a license or registration, or a contractor or subcontractor of a licensee or applicant against an employee for engaging in certain protected activities is prohibited. Discrimination includes discharge and other actions that relate to compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment. The protected activities are established in 641—Chapters 38 to 45 and in general are related to the administration or enforcement of requirements imposed under 641—Chapters 38 to 45.

a. The protected activities include but are not limited to:

(1) Providing the agency or the individual's employer information about alleged violations of either of the statutes named in this rule or possible violations of requirements imposed under either of those statutes;

(2) Refusing to engage in any practice made unlawful under either of the statutes named in this rule or under these requirements if the employee has identified the alleged illegality to the employer;

(3) Requesting that the agency institute action against the individual's employer for the administration or enforcement of these requirements;

(4) Testifying in any agency proceeding, or before Congress, or at any federal or state proceeding regarding any provision (or proposed provision) of federal statutes or these rules;

(5) Assisting or participating in, or about to assist or participate in, these activities.

b. These activities are protected even if no formal proceeding is actually initiated as a result of the employee's assistance or participation.

c. This rule has no application to any employee alleging discrimination prohibited by this rule who, acting without direction from the individual's employer (or the employer's agent), deliberately causes a violation of any requirement of 641—Chapters 38 to 45.

**40.117(2)** Any employee who believes that the employee has been discharged or otherwise discriminated against by any person for engaging in protected activities specified in 40.117(1)“a” may seek a remedy for the discharge or discrimination through an administrative proceeding in the U.S. Department of Labor. The administrative proceeding must be initiated within 180 days after an alleged violation occurs. The employee may file for the administrative proceeding by filing a complaint alleging the violation with the Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division. The Department of Labor may order reinstatement, back pay, and compensatory damages.

**40.117(3)** A violation of 40.117(1)“a”(1) or 40.117(1)“a”(4) by a licensee or registrant, an applicant for a license or registration, or a contractor or subcontractor of a licensee or applicant may be grounds for:

- a.* Denial, revocation, or suspension of the license or registration.
- b.* Imposition of a civil penalty on the licensee, registrant, or applicant.
- c.* Other enforcement action.

**40.117(4)** Actions taken by an employer or others which adversely affect an employee may be predicated upon nondiscriminatory grounds. The prohibition applies when the adverse action occurs because the employee has engaged in protected activities. An employee's engagement in protected activities does not automatically render the employee immune from discharge or discipline for legitimate reasons or from adverse action dictated by nonprohibited considerations.

**40.117(5)** No agreement affecting the compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, including an agreement to settle a complaint filed by an employee with the Department of Labor pursuant to 641—Chapters 38 to 45, may contain any provision which would prohibit, restrict, or otherwise discourage an employee from participating in protected activity as defined in 40.117(1) "a" including, but not limited to, providing information to the agency or to the individual's employer on potential violations or other matters within the agency's regulatory responsibilities.

## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX A

PROTECTION FACTORS FOR RESPIRATORS<sup>a</sup>

	Operating Mode	Assigned Protection Factor
I. Air-Purifying Respirators (particulate 1A <sup>b</sup> only) 1A <sup>c</sup> :		
Filtering facepiece disposable <sup>d</sup>	Negative Pressure	( <sup>d</sup> )
Facepiece, half <sup>e</sup>	Negative Pressure	10
Facepiece, full	Negative Pressure	100
Facepiece, half	Powered air-purifying respirators	50
Facepiece, full	Powered air-purifying respirators	1000
Helmet/hood	Powered air-purifying respirators	1000
Facepiece, loose-fitting	Powered air-purifying respirators	25
II. Atmosphere-Supplying Respirators (particulate, gases and vapors 1A <sup>f</sup> ):		
1. Air-line respirator:		
Facepiece, half	Demand	10
Facepiece, half	Continuous Flow	50
Facepiece, half	Pressure Demand	50
Facepiece, full	Demand	100
Facepiece, full	Continuous Flow	1000
Facepiece, full	Pressure Demand	1000
Helmet/hood	Continuous Flow	1000
Facepiece, loose-fitting	Continuous Flow	25
Suit	Continuous Flow	( <sup>g</sup> )
2. Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA):		
Facepiece, full	Demand	<sup>h</sup> 100
Facepiece, full	Pressure Demand	<sup>i</sup> 10,000
Facepiece, full	Demand, Recirculating	<sup>h</sup> 100
Facepiece, full	Positive Pressure Recirculating	<sup>i</sup> 10,000
III. Combination Respirators:		
Any combination of air-purifying and atmosphere-supplying respirators	(1) Assigned protection factor for type and mode of operation as listed above	

<sup>a</sup>These assigned protection factors apply only in a respiratory protection program that meets the requirement of 641—Chapter 40. They are applicable only to airborne radiological hazards and may not be appropriate to circumstances when chemical or other respiratory hazards exist instead of, or in addition to, radioactive hazards. Selection and use of respirators for such circumstances must also comply with Department of Labor regulations.

Radioactive contaminants for which the concentration values in Table I, Column 3, of Appendix B to 641—Chapter 40 are based on internal dose due to inhalation may, in addition, present external exposure

hazards at higher concentrations. Under these circumstances, limitations on occupancy may have to be governed by external dose limits.

<sup>b</sup>Air-purifying respirators with  $APF < 100$  must be equipped with particulate filters that are at least 95 percent efficient. Air-purifying respirators with  $APF = 100$  must be equipped with particulate filters that are at least 99 percent efficient. Air-purifying respirators with  $APF > 100$  must be equipped with particulate filters that are at least 99.97 percent efficient.

<sup>c</sup>The licensee may apply to the agency for the use of an APF greater than 1 for sorbent cartridges as protection against airborne radioactive gases and vapors (e.g., radioiodine).

<sup>d</sup>Licensees may permit individuals to use this type of respirator who have not been medically screened or fit tested on the device provided that no credit be taken for the use in estimating intake or dose. It is also recognized that it is difficult to perform an effective positive or negative pressure pre-use user seal check on this type of device. All other respiratory protection program requirements listed in 641—40.50(136C) apply. An assigned protection factor has not been assigned for these devices. However, an APF equal to 10 may be used if the licensee can demonstrate a fit factor of at least 100 by use of a validated or evaluated, qualitative or quantitative fit test.

<sup>e</sup>Under-chin type only. No distinction is made in this Appendix between elastomeric half-masks with replaceable cartridges and those designed with the filter medium as an integral part of the facepiece (e.g., disposable or reusable disposable). Both types are acceptable so long as the seal area of the latter contains some substantial type of seal-enhancing material such as rubber or plastic, the two or more suspension straps are adjustable, the filter medium is at least 95 percent efficient, and all other requirements of 641—Chapter 40 are met.

<sup>f</sup>The assigned protection factors for gases and vapors are not applicable to radioactive contaminants that present an absorption or submersion hazard. For tritium oxide vapor, approximately one-third of the intake occurs by absorption through the skin so that an overall protection factor of 3 is appropriate when atmosphere-supplying respirators are used to protect against tritium oxide. Exposure to radioactive noble gases is not considered a significant respiratory hazard, and protective actions for these contaminants should be based on external (submersion) dose considerations.

<sup>g</sup>No NIOSH approval schedule is currently available for atmosphere-supplying suits. This equipment may be used in an acceptable respiratory protection program as long as all the other minimum program requirements, with the exception of fit testing, are met.

<sup>h</sup>The licensee should implement institutional controls to ensure that these devices are not used in areas immediately dangerous to life or health.

<sup>i</sup>This type of respirator may be used as an emergency device in unknown concentrations for protection against inhalation hazards. External radiation hazards and other limitations to permitted exposure such as skin absorption shall be taken into account in these circumstances. This device may not be used by any individual who experiences perceptible outward leakage of breathing gas while wearing the device.



## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX B

ANNUAL LIMITS ON INTAKE (ALI) AND DERIVED AIR CONCENTRATIONS  
(DAC) OF RADIONUCLIDES FOR OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE; EFFLUENT  
CONCENTRATIONS; CONCENTRATIONS FOR RELEASE TO SANITARY SEWERAGE

## Introduction

For each radionuclide, Table I indicates the chemical form which is to be used for selecting the appropriate ALI or DAC value. The ALIs and DACs for inhalation are given for an aerosol with an activity median aerodynamic diameter (AMAD) of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , micron, and for three classes (D,W,Y) of radioactive material, which refer to their retention (approximately days, weeks or years) in the pulmonary region of the lung. This classification applies to a range of clearance half-times for D if less than 10 days, for W from 10 to 100 days, and for Y greater than 100 days. Table II provides concentration limits for airborne and liquid effluents released to the general environment. Table III provides concentration limits for discharges to sanitary sewerage.

NOTE: The values in Tables I, II, and III are presented in the computer "E" notation. In this notation a value of 6E-02 represents a value of  $6 \times 10^{-2}$  or 0.06, 6E+2 represents  $6 \times 10^2$  or 600, and 6E+0 represents  $6 \times 10^0$  or 6.

TABLE I "OCCUPATIONAL VALUES"

Note that the columns in Table I of this appendix captioned "Oral Ingestion ALI," "Inhalation ALI," and "DAC," are applicable to occupational exposure to radioactive material.

The ALIs in this appendix are the annual intakes of given radionuclide by "Reference Person" which would result in either (1) a committed effective dose equivalent of 5 rem (0.05 Sv), stochastic ALI, or (2) a committed dose equivalent of 50 rem (0.5 Sv) to an organ or tissue, nonstochastic ALI. The stochastic ALIs were derived to result in a risk, due to irradiation of organs and tissues, comparable to the risk associated with deep dose equivalent to the whole body of 5 rem (0.05 Sv). The derivation includes multiplying the committed dose equivalent to an organ or tissue by a weighting factor,  $w_T$ . This weighting factor is the proportion of the risk of stochastic effects resulting from irradiation of the organ or tissue, T, to the total risk of stochastic effects when the whole body is irradiated uniformly. The values of  $w_T$  are listed under the definition of weighting factor in 40.2. The nonstochastic ALIs were derived to avoid nonstochastic effects, such as prompt damage to tissue or reduction in organ function.

A value of  $w_T = 0.06$  is applicable to each of the five organs or tissues in the "remainder" category receiving the highest dose equivalents, and the dose equivalents of all other remaining tissues may be disregarded. The following portions of the GI tract—stomach, small intestine, upper large intestine, and lower large intestine—are to be treated as four separate organs.

The air concentration values listed in Table II, Column 1 were derived by one of two methods. For those radionuclides for which the stochastic limit is governing, the occupational stochastic inhalation ALI was divided by  $2.4 \times 10^9$  (ml), relating the inhalation ALI to the DAC, as explained above, and then divided by a factor of 300. The factor of 300 includes the following components: a factor of 50 to relate the 5 rem (0.05 Sv) annual occupational dose limit to the 0.1 rem limit for members of the public, a factor of 3 to adjust for the difference in exposure time and the inhalation rate for a worker and that for members of the public; and a factor of 2 to adjust the occupational values, derived for adults, so that they are applicable to other age groups.

When an ALI is defined by the stochastic dose limit, this value alone is given. When an ALI is determined by the nonstochastic dose limit to an organ, the organ or tissue to which the limit applies is shown, and the ALI for the stochastic limit is shown in parentheses. Abbreviated organ or tissue designations are used:

LLI wall	=	lower large intestine wall;
St. wall	=	stomach wall;
Blad wall	=	bladder wall; and
Bone surf	=	bone surface.

The use of the ALIs listed first, the more limiting of the stochastic and nonstochastic ALIs, will ensure that nonstochastic effects are avoided and that the risk of stochastic effects is limited to an acceptably low value. If, in a particular situation involving a radionuclide for which the nonstochastic ALI is limiting, use of that nonstochastic ALI is considered unduly conservative, the licensee may use the stochastic ALI to determine the committed effective dose equivalent. However, the licensee shall also ensure that the 50 rem (0.5 Sv) dose equivalent limit for any organ or tissue is not exceeded by the sum of the external deep dose equivalent plus the internal committed dose equivalent to that organ, not the effective dose. For the case where there is no external dose contribution, this would be demonstrated if the sum of the fractions of the nonstochastic ALIs ( $ALI_{ns}$ ) that contribute to the committed dose equivalent to the organ receiving the highest dose does not exceed unity, that is,  $\Sigma$  (intake (in  $\mu\text{Ci}$ ) of each radionuclide/ $ALI_{ns}$ )  $\leq 1.0$ . If there is an external deep dose equivalent contribution of  $H_d$ , then this sum must be less than  $1 - (H_d/50)$ , instead of  $\leq 1.0$ .

Note that the dose equivalents for an extremity, skin, and lens of the eye are not considered in computing the committed effective dose equivalent, but are subject to limits that must be met separately.

The derived air concentration (DAC) values are derived limits intended to control chronic occupational exposures. The relationship between the DAC and the ALI is given by:

$DAC = ALI(\text{in } \mu\text{Ci}) / (2000 \text{ hours per working year} \times 60 \text{ minutes/hour} \times 2 \times 10^4 \text{ ml per minute}) = [ALI / 2.4 \times 10^9] \mu\text{Ci/ml}$ , where  $2 \times 10^4$  ml is the volume of air breathed per minute at work by Reference Person under working conditions of light work.

The DAC values relate to one of two modes of exposure: either external submersion or the internal committed dose equivalents resulting from inhalation of radioactive materials. DACs based upon submersion are for immersion in a semi-infinite cloud of uniform concentration and apply to each radionuclide separately.

The ALI and DAC values include contributions to exposure by the single radionuclide named and any in-growth of daughter radionuclides produced in the body by decay of the parent. However, intakes that include both the parent and daughter radionuclides should be treated by the general method appropriate for mixtures.

The values of ALI and DAC do not apply directly when the individual both ingests and inhales a radionuclide, when the individual is exposed to a mixture of radionuclides by either inhalation or ingestion or both, or when the individual is exposed to both internal and external irradiation. See 641—40.16(136C). When an individual is exposed to radioactive materials which fall under several of the translocation classifications of the same radionuclide, such as, Class D, Class W, or Class Y, the exposure may be evaluated as if it were a mixture of different radionuclides.

It should be noted that the classification of a compound as Class D, W, or Y is based on the chemical form of the compound and does not take into account the radiological half-life of different radionuclides. For this reason, values are given for Class D, W, and Y compounds, even for very short-lived radionuclides.

TABLE II "EFFLUENT CONCENTRATIONS"

The columns in Table II of this appendix captioned "Effluents," "Air" and "Water" are applicable to the assessment and control of dose to the public, particularly in the implementation of the provisions of 641—40.27(136C). The concentration values given in Columns 1 and 2 of Table II are equivalent to the radionuclide concentrations which, if inhaled or ingested continuously over the course of a year, would produce a total effective dose equivalent of 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv).

Consideration of nonstochastic limits has not been included in deriving the air and water effluent concentration limits because nonstochastic effects are presumed not to occur at or below the dose levels

established for individual members of the public. For radionuclides, where the nonstochastic limit was governing in deriving the occupational DAC, the stochastic ALI was used in deriving the corresponding airborne effluent limit in Table II. For this reason, the DAC and airborne effluent limits are not always proportional as they were in Appendix A of this chapter of the eighth edition of Volume I of the Suggested State Regulations for Control of Radiation.

The air concentration values listed in Table II, Column 1 were derived by one of two methods. For those radionuclides for which the stochastic limit is governing, the occupational stochastic inhalation ALI was divided by  $2.4 \times 10^9$  (ml), relating the inhalation ALI to the DAC, as explained above, and then divided by a factor of 300. The factor of 300 includes the following components: a factor of 50 to relate the 5 rem (0.05 Sv) annual occupational dose limit to the 0.1 rem limit for members of the public, a factor of 3 to adjust for the difference in exposure time and the inhalation rate for a worker and that for members of the public; and a factor of 2 to adjust the occupational values, derived for adults, so that they are applicable to other age groups.

For those radionuclides for which submersion, that is external dose, is limiting, the occupational DAC in Table I, Column 3 was divided by 219. The factor of 219 is composed of a factor of 50, as described above, and a factor of 4.38 relating occupational exposure for 2,000 hours per year to full-time exposure (8,760 hours per year). Note that an additional factor of 2 for age considerations is not warranted in the submersion case.

The water concentrations were derived by taking the most restrictive occupational stochastic oral ingestion ALI and dividing by  $7.3 \times 10^7$ . The factor of  $7.3 \times 10^7$  (ml) includes the following components: the factors of 50 and 2 described above and a factor of  $7.3 \times 10^5$  (ml) which is the annual water intake of Reference Person.

Note 2 of this appendix provides groupings of radionuclides which are applicable to unknown mixtures of radionuclides. These groupings, including occupational inhalation ALIs and DACs, air and water effluent concentrations and releases to sewer, require demonstrating that the most limiting radionuclides in successive classes are absent. The limit for the unknown mixture is defined when the presence of one of the listed radionuclides cannot be definitely excluded as being present either from knowledge of the radionuclide composition of the source or from actual measurements.

TABLE III "RELEASES TO SEWERS"

The monthly average concentrations for release to sanitary sewerage are applicable to the provisions in 40.72. The concentration values were derived by taking the most restrictive occupational stochastic oral ingestion ALI and dividing by  $7.3 \times 10^6$  (ml). The factor of  $7.3 \times 10^6$  (ml) is composed of a factor of  $7.3 \times 10^5$  (ml), the annual water intake by Reference Person, and a factor of 10, such that the concentrations, if the sewage released by the licensee were the only source of water ingested by a Reference Person during a year, would result in a committed effective dose equivalent of 0.5 rem.

#### LIST OF ELEMENTS

Atomic			Atomic		
<u>Name</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Number</u>
Actinium	Ac	89	Mercury	Hg	80
Aluminum	Al	13	Molybdenum	Mo	42
Americium	Am	95	Neodymium	Nd	60
Antimony	Sb	51	Neptunium	Np	93
Argon	Ar	18	Nickel	Ni	28
Arsenic	As	33	Niobium	Nb	41
Astatine	At	85	Osmium	Os	76
Barium	Ba	56	Palladium	Pd	46
Berkelium	Bk	97	Phosphorus	P	15
Beryllium	Be	4	Platinum	Pt	78
Bismuth	Bi	83	Plutonium	Pu	94

Bromine	Br	35	Polonium	Po	84
Cadmium	Cd	48	Potassium	K	19
Calcium	Ca	20	Praseodymium	Pr	59
Californium	Cf	98	Promethium	Pm	61
Carbon	C	6	Protactinium	Pa	91
Cerium	Ce	58	Radium	Ra	88
Cesium	Cs	55	Radon	Rn	86
Chlorine	Cl	17	Rhenium	Re	75
Chromium	Cr	24	Rhodium	Rh	45
Cobalt	Co	27	Rubidium	Rb	37
Copper	Cu	29	Ruthenium	Ru	44
Curium	Cm	96	Samarium	Sm	62
Dysprosium	Dy	66	Scandium	Sc	21
Einsteinium	Es	99	Selenium	Se	34
Erbium	Er	68	Silicon	Si	14
Europium	Eu	63	Silver	Ag	47
Fermium	Fm	100	Sodium	Na	11
Fluorine	F	9	Strontium	Sr	38
Francium	Fr	87	Sulfur	S	16
Gadolinium	Gd	64	Tantalum	Ta	73
Gallium	Ga	31	Technetium	Tc	43
Germanium	Ge	32	Tellurium	Te	52
Gold	Au	79	Terbium	Tb	65
Hafnium	Hf	72	Thallium	Tl	81
Holmium	Ho	67	Thorium	Th	90
Hydrogen	H	1	Thulium	Tm	69
Indium	In	49	Tin	Sn	50
Iodine	I	53	Titanium	Ti	22
Iridium	Ir	77	Tungsten	W	74
Iron	Fe	26	Uranium	U	92
Krypton	Kr	36	Vanadium	V	23
Lanthanum	La	57	Xenon	Xe	54
Lead	Pb	82	Ytterbium	Yb	70
Lutetium	Lu	71	Yttrium	Y	39
Magnesium	Mg	12	Zinc	Zn	30
Manganese	Mn	25	Zirconium	Zr	40
Mendelevium	Md	101			

Atomic Radio-nuclide No.	Class	Table I Occupational Values			Table II Effluent Concentrations		Table III Releases to Sewers	
		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )				
1	Hydrogen-3	Water, DAC includes skin absorption	8E+4	8E+4	2E-5	1E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		Gas (HT or T <sub>2</sub> ) Submersion <sup>1</sup> : Use above values as HT and T <sub>2</sub> oxidize in air and in the body to HTO.						
4	Beryllium-7	W, all compounds except those given for Y	4E+4	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	6E-4	6E-3
		Y, oxides, halides, and nitrates	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
4	Beryllium-10	W, see <sup>7</sup> Be	1E+3 LLI wall	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
			(1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>7</sup> Be	-	1E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-
6	Carbon-11 <sup>2</sup>	Monoxide	-	1E+6	5E-4	2E-6	-	-
		Dioxide	-	6E+5	3E-4	9E-7	-	-
		Compounds	4E+5	4E+5	2E-4	6E-7	6E-3	6E-2
6	Carbon-14	Monoxide	-	2E+6	7E-4	2E-6	-	-
		Dioxide	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		Compounds	2E+3	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	3E-5	3E-4
9	Fluorine-18 <sup>2</sup>	D, fluorides of H, Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, and Fr	5E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
		St wall	(5E+4)	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
		W, fluorides of Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Ra, Al, Ga, In, Tl, As, Sb, Bi, Fe, Ru, Os, Co, Ni, Pd, Pt, Cu, Ag, Au, Zn, Cd, Hg, Sc, Y, Ti, Zr, V, Nb, Ta, Mn, Tc, and Re	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
		Y, lanthanum fluoride	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
11	Sodium-22	D, all compounds	4E+2	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	6E-6	6E-5
11	Sodium-24	D, all compounds	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	5E-5	5E-4
12	Magnesium-28	D, all compounds except those given for W	7E+2	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	9E-6	9E-5
		W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, halides, and nitrates	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
13	Aluminum-26	D, all compounds except those given for W	4E+2	6E+1	3E-8	9E-11	6E-6	6E-5
		W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, halides, and nitrates	-	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	-	-

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		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )			
14 Silicon-31	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and nitrates	-	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-
	Y, aluminosilicate glass	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
14 Silicon-32	D, see $^{31}\text{Si}$	2E+3	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	-	-
	LLI wall	(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see $^{31}\text{Si}$	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-
15 Phosphorus-32	D, all compounds except phosphates given for W	6E+2	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	9E-6	9E-5
	W, phosphates of $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ , $\text{S}^{3+}$ , $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ , $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ , $\text{Bi}^{3+}$ , and lanthanides	-	4E+2	2E-7	5E-10	-	-
	Y, see $^{31}\text{Si}$	-	5E+0	2E-9	7E-12	-	-
15 Phosphorus-33	D, see $^{32}\text{P}$	6E+3	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	8E-5	8E-4
	W, see $^{32}\text{P}$	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
16 Sulfur-35	Vapor	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-	-
	D, sulfides and sulfates except those given for W	1E+4	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
	LLI wall	(8E+3)	-	-	-	1E-4	1E-3
17 Chlorine-36	W, elemental sulfur, sulfides of Sr, Ba, Ge, Sn, Pb, As, Sb, Bi, Cu, Ag, Au, Zn, Cd, Hg, W, and Mo. Sulfates of Ca, Sr, Ba, Ra, As, Sb, and Bi	6E+3	-	-	-	-	-
	W, chlorides of H, Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, and Fr	2E+3	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	W, chlorides of lanthanides, Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Ra, Al, Ga, In, Tl, Ge, Sn, Pb, As, Sb, Bi, Fe, Ru, Os, Co, Rh, Ir, Ni, Pd, Pt, Cu, Ag, Au, Zn, Cd, Hg, Sc, Y, Ti, Zr, Hf, V, Nb, Ta, Cr, Mo, W, Mn, Tc, and Re	-	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
17	Chlorine-38 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>36</sup> Cl	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
		St wall	(3E+4)	-	-	-	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>36</sup> Cl	-	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
17	Chlorine-39 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>36</sup> Cl	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
		St wall	(4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>36</sup> Cl	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
18	Argon-37	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E+0	6E-3	-	-
18	Argon-39	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-4	8E-7	-	-
18	Argon-41	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
19	Potassium-40	D, all compounds	3E+2	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	4E-6	4E-5
19	Potassium-42	D, all compounds	5E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	6E-5	6E-4
19	Potassium-43	D, all compounds	6E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	9E-5	9E-4
19	Potassium-44 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
		St wall	(4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
19	Potassium-45 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	3E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall	(5E+4)	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
20	Calcium-41	W, all compounds	3E+3	4E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(4E+3)	(4E+3)	-	5E-9	6E-5	6E-4
20	Calcium-45	W, all compounds	2E+3	8E+2	4E-7	1E-9	2E-5	2E-4
20	Calcium-47	W, all compounds	8E+2	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	1E-5	1E-4
21	Scandium-43	Y, all compounds	7E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
21	Scandium-44m	Y, all compounds	5E+2	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
21	Scandium-44	Y, all compounds	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	5E-5	5E-4
21	Scandium-46	Y, all compounds	9E+2	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	1E-5	1E-4
21	Scandium-47	Y, all compounds	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
21	Scandium-48	Y, all compounds	8E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
21	Scandium-49 <sup>2</sup>	Y, all compounds	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
22	Titanium-44	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	3E+2	1E+1	5E-9	2E-11	4E-6	4E-5
		W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, halides, and nitrates	-	3E+1	1E-8	4E-11	-	-
		Y, SrTiO	-	6E+0	2E-9	8E-12	-	-

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		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
22 Titanium-45	D, see <sup>44</sup> Ti	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, see <sup>44</sup> Ti	-	4E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>44</sup> Ti	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
23 Vanadium-47 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	3E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	St wall	(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
23 Vanadium-48	W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and halides	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>47</sup> V	6E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	9E-6	9E-5
23 Vanadium-49	W, see <sup>47</sup> V	-	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
	D, see <sup>47</sup> V	7E+4	3E+4	1E-5	-	-	-
24 Chromium-48	LLI wall	(9E+4)	(3E+4)	-	5E-8	1E-3	1E-2
	Bone surf	-	2E+4	8E-6	2E-8	-	-
	W, see <sup>47</sup> V	-	2E+4	8E-6	2E-8	-	-
24 Chromium-48	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	6E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
	W, halides and nitrates	-	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
24 Chromium-49 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	3E+4	8E+4	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	Y, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
24 Chromium-51	D, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	4E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	5E-4	5E-3
	W, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	-	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>48</sup> Cr	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
25 Manganese-51 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, and nitrates	-	6E+4	3E-5	8E-8	-	-
25 Manganese-52m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	3E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	St wall	(4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
25 Manganese-52	W, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	7E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
25 Manganese-52	W, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-



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		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
25	Manganese-53	D, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	5E+4	1E+4	5E-6	-	7E-4	7E-3
				Bone surf				
			-	(2E+4)	-	3E-8	-	-
		W, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
25	Manganese-54	D, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	2E+3	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	-	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
25	Manganese-56	D, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	5E+3	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>51</sup> Mn	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
26	Iron-52	D, all compounds except those given for W	9E+2	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	1E-5	1E-4
		W, oxides, hydroxides, and halides	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
26	Iron-55	D, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	9E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
26	Iron-59	D, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	8E+2	3E+2	1E-7	5E-10	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	-	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-
26	Iron-60	D, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	3E+1	6E+0	3E-9	9E-12	4E-7	4E-6
		W, see <sup>52</sup> Fe	-	2E+1	8E-9	3E-11	-	-
27	Cobalt-55	W, all compounds except those given for Y	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, halides, and nitrates	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
27	Cobalt-56	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	5E+2	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	6E-6	6E-5
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	4E+2	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	-	-
27	Cobalt-57	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	8E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	6E-5	6E-4
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	4E+3	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
27	Cobalt-58m	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	6E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	8E-4	8E-3
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
27	Cobalt-58	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	1E+3	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
27	Cobalt-60m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	1E+6	4E+6	2E-3	6E-6	-	-
		St wall	(1E+6)	-	-	-	2E-2	2E-1
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	-	3E+6	1E-3	4E-6	-	-
27	Cobalt-60	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	5E+2	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	3E-6	3E-5
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	2E+2	3E+1	1E-8	5E-11	-	-
27	Cobalt-61 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	2E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
27	Cobalt-62m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>55</sup> Co	4E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall	(5E+4)	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
		Y, see <sup>55</sup> Co	-	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
28	Nickel-56	D, all compounds except those given for W	1E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, oxides, hydroxides, and carbides	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
		Vapor	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
28	Nickel-57	D, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		Vapor	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
28	Nickel-59	D, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	2E+4	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	-	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
		Vapor	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
28	Nickel-63	D, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	9E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		Vapor	-	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
28	Nickel-65	D, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	8E+3	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
		Vapor	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
28	Nickel-66	D, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	4E+2	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(5E+2)	-	-	-	6E-6	6E-5
		W, see <sup>56</sup> Ni	-	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
		Vapor	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
29	Copper-60 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	3E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
		St wall	(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
		W, sulfides, halides, and nitrates	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
29	Copper-61	D, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	4E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-
29	Copper-64	D, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
29	Copper-67	D, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	5E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	6E-5	6E-4
		W, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>60</sup> Cu	-	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
30	Zinc-62	Y, all compounds	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-5	2E-4
30	Zinc-63 <sup>2</sup>	Y, all compounds	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
			St wall					
			(3E+4)	-	-	-	3E-4	3E-3
30	Zinc-65	Y, all compounds	4E+2	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	5E-6	5E-5
30	Zinc-69m	Y, all compounds	4E+3	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	6E-5	6E-4
30	Zinc-69 <sup>2</sup>	Y, all compounds	6E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	8E-4	8E-3
30	Zinc-71m	Y, all compounds	6E+3	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
30	Zinc-72	Y, all compounds	1E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
31	Gallium-65 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	5E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
			St wall					
			(6E+4)	-	-	-	9E-4	9E-3
		W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, halides, and nitrates	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
31	Gallium-66	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	1E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
31	Gallium-67	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	7E+3	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
31	Gallium-68 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
31	Gallium-70 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	5E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
			St wall					
			(7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
31	Gallium-72	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	1E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
31	Gallium-73	D, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	5E+3	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>65</sup> Ga	-	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
32	Germanium-66	D, all compounds except those given for W	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, oxides, sulfides, and halides	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
32	Germanium-67 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	3E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
			St wall					
			(4E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
		W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
32	Germanium-68	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	5E+3	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	6E-5	6E-4
		W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	1E+2	4E-8	1E-10	-	-
32	Germanium-69	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	1E+4	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
32 Germanium-71	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	5E+5	4E+5	2E-4	6E-7	7E-3	7E-2
	W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
32 Germanium-75 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	4E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	St wall	(7E+4)	-	-	-	9E-4	9E-3
32 Germanium-77	W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	8E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	9E+3	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	1E-4	1E-3
32 Germanium-78 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	2E+4	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
33 Arsenic-69 <sup>2</sup>	St wall	(2E+4)	-	-	-	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>66</sup> Ge	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
33 Arsenic-70 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	3E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
	St wall	(4E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
33 Arsenic-70 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	1E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	2E-4	2E-3
33 Arsenic-71	W, all compounds	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	5E-5	5E-4
33 Arsenic-72	W, all compounds	9E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
33 Arsenic-73	W, all compounds	8E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	1E-4	1E-3
33 Arsenic-74	W, all compounds	1E+3	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	2E-5	2E-4
33 Arsenic-76	W, all compounds	1E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
33 Arsenic-77	W, all compounds	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(5E+3)	-	-	-	6E-5	6E-4
33 Arsenic-78 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	8E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
34 Selenium-70 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and elemental Se	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
34 Selenium-73m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	6E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	3E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
34 Selenium-73	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	3E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
34 Selenium-75	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	5E+2	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	-	6E+2	3E-7	8E-10	-	-
34 Selenium-79	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	6E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	8E-6	8E-5
	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	-	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
34 Selenium-81m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	4E+4	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)			
34 Selenium-81 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	6E+4	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall (8E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
34 Selenium-83 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	-	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>70</sup> Se	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	4E-4	4E-3
35 Bromine-74m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>70</sup> Se	3E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
	D, bromides of H, Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, and Fr	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-
35 Bromine-74 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	St wall (2E+4)	-	-	-	3E-4	3E-3
		W, bromides of lanthanides, Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Ra, Al, Ga, In, Tl, Ge, Sn, Pb, As, Sb, Bi, Fe, Ru, Os, Co, Rh, Ir, Ni, Pd, Pt, Cu, Ag, Au, Zn, Cd, Hg, Sc, Y, Ti, Zr, Hf, V, Nb, Ta, Mn, Tc, and Re	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-
35 Bromine-74 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
		St wall (4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
35 Bromine-75 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	8E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	3E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
35 Bromine-76	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	St wall (4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-
35 Bromine-77	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	5E-5	5E-4
		W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-
35 Bromine-80m	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	2E+4	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-
35 Bromine-80 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	2E+4	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-
35 Bromine-82	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall (9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
35 Bromine-83	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-
		3E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	4E-5	4E-4
35 Bromine-83	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-
		5E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
35 Bromine-83	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	St wall (7E+4)	-	-	-	9E-4	9E-3
		W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)			
35 Bromine-84 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
		St wall (3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>74m</sup> Br	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-74 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-76	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	9E-6	4E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-77 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	4E-6	2E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-79	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-81	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	7E-4	3E-6	-	-
36 Krypton-83m <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-2	5E-5	-	-
36 Krypton-85m	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-5	1E-7	-	-
36 Krypton-85	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-4	7E-7	-	-
36 Krypton-87 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
36 Krypton-88	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-6	9E-9	-	-
37 Rubidium-79 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
37 Rubidium-81m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+5	3E+5	1E-4	5E-7	-	-
		St wall (3E+5)	-	-	-	4E-3	4E-2
37 Rubidium-81	D, all compounds	4E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	5E-4	5E-3
37 Rubidium-82m	D, all compounds	1E+4	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	2E-4	2E-3
37 Rubidium-83	D, all compounds	6E+2	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	9E-6	9E-5
37 Rubidium-84	D, all compounds	5E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
37 Rubidium-86	D, all compounds	5E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
37 Rubidium-87	D, all compounds	1E+3	2E+3	6E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
37 Rubidium-88 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
		St wall (3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
37 Rubidium-89 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (6E+4)	-	-	-	9E-4	9E-3
38 Strontium-80 <sup>2</sup>	D, all soluble compounds except SrTiO Y, all insoluble compounds and SrTiO	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
		-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
38 Strontium-81 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
		2E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
38 Strontium-82	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr LLI wall Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+2	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-
		(2E+2)	-	-	-	3E-6	3E-5
		2E+2	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
38 Strontium-83	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+3	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	2E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
38 Strontium-85m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	2E+5	6E+5	3E-4	9E-7	3E-3	3E-2
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	-	8E+5	4E-4	1E-6	-	-
38 Strontium-85	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	4E-5	4E-4
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	-	2E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
38 Strontium-87m	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	5E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	6E-4	6E-3
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	4E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
38 Strontium-89	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	6E+2	8E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (6E+2)	-	-	-	8E-6	8E-5
38 Strontium-90	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	5E+2	1E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+1	2E+1	8E-9	-	-	-
38 Strontium-91		Bone surf (4E+1)	Bone surf (2E+1)	-	3E-11	5E-7	5E-6
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	-	4E+0	2E-9	6E-12	-	-
38 Strontium-92	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	2E+3	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
39 Yttrium-86m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	3E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	Y, see <sup>80</sup> Sr	-	7E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
39 Yttrium-86	W, all compounds except those given for Y	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
39 Yttrium-87	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
39 Yttrium-88	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
39 Yttrium-89	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	1E+3	3E+2	1E-7	3E-10	1E-5	1E-4
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	-	-
39 Yttrium-90m	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	8E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
39 Yttrium-91	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	4E+2	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
		LLI wall (5E+2)	-	-	-	7E-6	7E-5
39 Yttrium-91m <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	1E+5	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	2E-3	2E-2
39 Yttrium-91	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	5E+2	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	-	-
39 Yttrium-91		LLI wall (6E+2)	-	-	-	8E-6	8E-5
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
39 Yttrium-92	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	3E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
39 Yttrium-93	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
39 Yttrium-94 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	2E+4 St wall	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
		(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
39 Yttrium-95 <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	W, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	4E+4 St wall	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		(5E+4)	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
40 Zirconium-86	Y, see <sup>86m</sup> Y	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	1E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	2E-5	2E-4
40 Zirconium-86	W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, and nitrates	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
	Y, carbide	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
40 Zirconium-88	D, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	4E+3	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	5E-5	5E-4
	W, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-
40 Zirconium-89	Y, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
	D, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	2E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
40 Zirconium-89	W, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
40 Zirconium-93	D, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	1E+3 Bone surf	6E+0 Bone surf	3E-9	-	-	-
		(3E+3)	(2E+1)	-	2E-11	4E-5	4E-4
40 Zirconium-93	W, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	2E+1 Bone surf	1E-8	-	-	-
		-	(6E+1)	-	9E-11	-	-
40 Zirconium-93	Y, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	6E+1 Bone surf	2E-8	-	-	-
		-	(7E+1)	-	9E-11	-	-
40 Zirconium-95	D, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	1E+3	1E+2 Bone surf	5E-8	-	2E-5	2E-4
		-	(3E+2)	-	4E-10	-	-
40 Zirconium-95	W, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	4E+2	2E-7	5E-10	-	-
	Y, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
40 Zirconium-97	D, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	6E+2	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	9E-6	9E-5
	W, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
40 Zirconium-97	Y, see <sup>86</sup> Zr	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)			
41 Niobium-88 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	5E+4	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall (7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
41 Niobium-89 <sup>2</sup> (66 min)	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-
41 Niobium-89 (122 min)	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	5E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	7E-5	7E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
41 Niobium-90	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	1E-5	1E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
41 Niobium-93m	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	9E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (1E+4)	-	-	-	2E-4	2E-3
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	-	-
41 Niobium-94	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	9E+2	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	1E-5	1E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-
41 Niobium-95m	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
41 Niobium-95	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
41 Niobium-96	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
41 Niobium-97 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	2E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
41 Niobium-98 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	1E+4	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	Y, see <sup>88</sup> Nb	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
42 Molybdenum-90	D, all compounds except those given for Y	4E+3	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, oxides, hydroxides, and MoS	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
42 Molybdenum-93m	D, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	9E+3	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
	Y, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	4E+3	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
42 Molybdenum-93	D, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	5E-5	5E-4
	Y, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	2E+4	2E+2	8E-8	2E-10	-	-
42 Molybdenum-99	D, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	1E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-

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		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )			
42 Molybdenum-101 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	4E+4 St wall	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		(5E+4)	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
	Y, see <sup>90</sup> Mo	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
43 Technetium-93m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W  W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, and nitrates	7E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
43 Technetium-93	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	3E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
43 Technetium-94m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
43 Technetium-94	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	9E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	-	-
43 Technetium-95m	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	5E-5	5E-4
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
43 Technetium-95	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	1E+4	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
43 Technetium-96m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	2E+5	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	2E-3	2E-2
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
43 Technetium-96	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
43 Technetium-97m	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	5E+3 St wall	7E+3	3E-6	-	6E-5	6E-4
		(7E+3)	-	1E-8	-	-	-
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
43 Technetium-97	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	4E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	5E-4	5E-3
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
43 Technetium-98	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	1E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
43 Technetium-99m	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	8E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	1E-3	1E-2
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
43 Technetium-99	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	4E+3 St wall	5E+3	2E-6	-	6E-5	6E-4
		(6E+3)	-	8E-9	-	-	-
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
43 Technetium-101 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	9E+4 St wall	3E+5	1E-4	5E-7	-	-
		(1E+5)	-	-	-	2E-3	2E-2
	W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	4E+5	2E-4	5E-7	-	-

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		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi)      DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
43	Technetium-104 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
		St wall	(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
		W, see <sup>93m</sup> Tc	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
44	Ruthenium-94 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, halides	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
44	Ruthenium-97	D, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	8E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
44	Ruthenium-103	D, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	2E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
44	Ruthenium-105	D, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	5E+3	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
44	Ruthenium-106	D, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	2E+2	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	-	-
		LLI wall	(2E+2)	-	-	-	3E-6	3E-5
		W, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	5E+1	2E-8	8E-11	-	-
		Y, see <sup>94</sup> Ru	-	1E+1	5E-9	2E-11	-	-
45	Rhodium-99m	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, halides	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
45	Rhodium-99	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
45	Rhodium-100	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-	-
45	Rhodium-101m	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	6E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
45	Rhodium-101	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	2E+3	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )				DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
45 Rhodium-102m	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	1E+3	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-	
		LLI wall						
		(1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4	
45 Rhodium-102	W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	4E+2	2E-7	5E-10	-	-	
	Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-	
	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	6E+2	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	8E-6	8E-5	
45 Rhodium-102	W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	-	-	
	Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	6E+1	2E-8	8E-11	-	-	
	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	4E+5	1E+6	5E-4	2E-6	6E-3	6E-2	
45 Rhodium-103m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	1E+6	5E-4	2E-6	-	-	
	Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	1E+6	5E-4	2E-6	-	-	
	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-	
45 Rhodium-105	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	LLI wall						
		(4E+3)	-	-	-	5E-5	5E-4	
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
45 Rhodium-106m	Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-	
	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	8E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3	
	W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-	
45 Rhodium-107 <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	4E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-	
	D, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	7E+4	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-	
	St wall							
46 Palladium-100	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	(9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2	
		W, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>99m</sup> Rh	-	3E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
46 Palladium-100	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	1E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	2E-5	2E-4	
	W, nitrates	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-	
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-	
46 Palladium-101	D, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
	W, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-	
	Y, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-	
46 Palladium-103	D, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	6E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-	
	LLI wall							
	(7E+3)	-	-	-	1E-4	1E-3		
46 Palladium-107	W, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-	
	Y, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-	
	D, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	3E+4	2E+4	9E-6	-	-	-	
46 Palladium-107	D, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	LLI wall Kidneys						
		(4E+4)	(2E+4)	-	3E-8	5E-4	5E-3	
		W, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-	

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
46	Palladium-109	D, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	2E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>100</sup> Pd	-	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
47	Silver-102 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	5E+4 St wall (6E+4)	2E+5	8E-5	2E-7	-	-
		W, nitrates and sulfides	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
47	Silver-103 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	4E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
47	Silver-104m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	3E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
47	Silver-104 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
47	Silver-105	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	3E+3	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	4E-5	4E-4
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
47	Silver-106m	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	8E+2	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
47	Silver-106 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	6E+4 St wall (6E+4)	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
47	Silver-108m	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	6E+2	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	9E-6	9E-5
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+1	1E-8	3E-11	-	-
47	Silver-110m	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	5E+2	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	6E-6	6E-5
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	-	-
47	Silver-111	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	9E+2 LLI wall (1E+3)	2E+3 Liver (2E+3)	6E-7	-	-	-
		W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+2	4E-7	2E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
47 Silver-112	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	3E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
47 Silver-115 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	3E+4 St wall	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
		(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
48 Cadmium-104 <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>102</sup> Ag	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, sulfides, halides, and nitrates	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
48 Cadmium-107	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
48 Cadmium-109	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	3E+2	4E+1	1E-8	-	-	-
		Kidneys	Kidneys				
48 Cadmium-113m		(4E+2)	(5E+1)	-	7E-11	6E-6	6E-5
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+2	5E-8	-	-	-
		-	(1E+2)	-	2E-10	-	-
48 Cadmium-113	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	2E+1	2E+0	1E-9	-	-	-
		Kidneys	Kidneys				
48 Cadmium-115m		(4E+1)	(4E+0)	-	5E-12	5E-7	5E-6
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	8E+0	4E-9	-	-	-
		-	(1E+1)	-	2E-11	-	-
48 Cadmium-113	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+1	5E-9	2E-11	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	2E+1	2E+0	9E-10	-	-	-
		Kidneys	Kidneys				
48 Cadmium-115m		(3E+1)	(3E+0)	-	5E-12	4E-7	4E-6
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	8E+0	3E-9	-	-	-
		-	(1E+1)	-	2E-11	-	-
48 Cadmium-115m	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	3E+2	5E+1	2E-8	-	4E-6	4E-5
		-	(8E+1)	-	1E-10	-	-
48 Cadmium-115m	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-
	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
48 Cadmium-115	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	9E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (1E+3)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
48 Cadmium-117m	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
48 Cadmium-117	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
	D, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
	W, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
49 Indium-109	Y, see <sup>104</sup> Cd	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
	D, all compounds except those given for W	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, and nitrates	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
49 Indium-110 <sup>2</sup> (69.1 min)	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
49 Indium-110 (4.9 h)	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	5E+3	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
49 Indium-111	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	4E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	6E-5	6E-4
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
49 Indium-112 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	2E+5	6E+5	3E-4	9E-7	2E-3	2E-2
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	7E+5	3E-4	1E-6	-	-
49 Indium-113m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	5E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	7E-4	7E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
49 Indium-114m	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	3E+2	6E+1	3E-8	9E-11	-	-
	LLI wall (4E+2)	-	-	-	-	5E-6	5E-5
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	1E+2	4E-8	1E-10	-	-
49 Indium-115m	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
49 Indium-115	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	4E+1	1E+0	6E-10	2E-12	5E-7	5E-6
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	5E+0	2E-9	8E-12	-	-
49 Indium-116m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	2E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
49 Indium-117m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
49 Indium-117 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	6E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	8E-4	8E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
49 Indium-119m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>109</sup> In	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
	St wall (5E+4)	-	-	-	-	7E-4	7E-3
	W, see <sup>109</sup> In	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
50 Tin-110	D, all compounds except those given for W	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	5E-5	5E-4
	W, sulfides, oxides, hydroxides, halides, nitrates, and stannic phosphate	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
50 Tin-111 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	7E+4	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	1E-3	1E-2
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
50 Tin-113	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	5E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
50 Tin-117m	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	-	-	-
	LLI wall	(2E+3)	(2E+3)	-	3E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Bone surf	-	-	-	-	-	-
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
50 Tin-119m	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	3E+3	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(4E+3)	-	-	-	6E-5	6E-4
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
50 Tin-121m	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	3E+3	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(4E+3)	-	-	-	5E-5	5E-4
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	5E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
50 Tin-121	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	6E+3	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
	LLI wall	(6E+3)	-	-	-	8E-5	8E-4
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
50 Tin-123m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	5E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	7E-4	7E-3
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
50 Tin-123	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	5E+2	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
	LLI wall	(6E+2)	-	-	-	9E-6	9E-5
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	-	-
50 Tin-125	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	4E+2	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(5E+2)	-	-	-	6E-6	6E-5
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	4E+2	1E-7	5E-10	-	-
50 Tin-126	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	3E+2	6E+1	2E-8	8E-11	4E-6	4E-5
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	7E+1	3E-8	9E-11	-	-
50 Tin-127	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	7E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	9E-5	9E-4
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
50 Tin-128 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, see <sup>110</sup> Sn	-	4E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
51	Antimony-115 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	8E+4	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, sulfides, sulfates, and nitrates	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-116m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-116 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	7E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
		St wall	(9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	3E+5	1E-4	5E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-117	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	7E+4	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	9E-4	9E-3
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-118m	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	6E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	5E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
51	Antimony-119	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
51	Antimony-120 <sup>2</sup> (16 min)	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	1E+5	4E+5	2E-4	6E-7	-	-
		St wall	(2E+5)	-	-	-	2E-3	2E-2
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	5E+5	2E-4	7E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-120 (5.76 d)	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	1E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	9E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
51	Antimony-122	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	8E+2	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(8E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	7E+2	1E+3	4E-7	2E-9	-	-
51	Antimony-124m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	3E+5	8E+5	4E-4	1E-6	3E-3	3E-2
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	2E+5	6E+5	2E-4	8E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-124	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	6E+2	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	5E+2	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	-	-
51	Antimony-125	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	2E+3	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-
51	Antimony-126m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall	(7E+4)	-	-	-	9E-4	9E-3
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
51	Antimony-126	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	6E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	7E-6	7E-5
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	5E+2	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-
51	Antimony-127	D, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	8E+2	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(8E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>115</sup> Sb	7E+2	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
52	Tellurium-127m	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	6E+2	3E+2	1E-7	-	9E-6	9E-5
				Bone surf				
			-	(4E+2)	-	6E-10	-	-
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
52	Tellurium-127	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	7E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
52	Tellurium-129m	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	5E+2	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	7E-6	7E-5
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	-	-
52	Tellurium-129 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	3E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	4E-4	4E-3
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
52	Tellurium-131m	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	3E+2	4E+2	2E-7	-	-	-
			Thyroid	Thyroid				
			(6E+2)	(1E+3)	-	2E-9	8E-6	8E-5
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	4E+2	2E-7	-	-	-
			Thyroid					
			-	(9E+2)	-	1E-9	-	-
52	Tellurium-131 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	3E+3	5E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid	Thyroid				
			(6E+3)	(1E+4)	-	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	5E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid					
			-	(1E+4)	-	2E-8	-	-
52	Tellurium-132	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	2E+2	2E+2	9E-8	-	-	-
			Thyroid	Thyroid				
			(7E+2)	(8E+2)	-	1E-9	9E-6	9E-5
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	2E+2	9E-8	-	-	-
			Thyroid					
			-	(6E+2)	-	9E-10	-	-
52	Tellurium-133m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	3E+3	5E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid	Thyroid				
			(6E+3)	(1E+4)	-	2E-8	9E-5	9E-4
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	5E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid					
			-	(1E+4)	-	2E-8	-	-
52	Tellurium-133 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	1E+4	2E+4	9E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid	Thyroid				
			(3E+4)	(6E+4)	-	8E-8	4E-4	4E-3
		W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	2E+4	9E-6	-	-	-
			Thyroid					
			-	(6E+4)	-	8E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )			
52 Tellurium-134 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>116</sup> Te	2E+4	2E+4	1E-5	-	-	-
		Thyroid (2E+4)	Thyroid (5E+4)	-	7E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	W, see <sup>116</sup> Te	-	2E+4 Thyroid	1E-5	-	-	-
		-	(5E+4)	-	7E-8	-	-
53 Iodine-120m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	1E+4	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
		Thyroid (1E+4)	-	-	-	2E-4	2E-3
53 Iodine-120 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+3	9E+3	4E-6	-	-	-
		Thyroid (8E+3)	Thyroid (1E+4)	-	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
53 Iodine-121	D, all compounds	1E+4	2E+4	8E-6	-	-	-
		Thyroid (3E+4)	Thyroid (5E+4)	-	7E-8	4E-4	4E-3
53 Iodine-123	D, all compounds	3E+3	6E+3	3E-6	-	-	-
		Thyroid (1E+4)	Thyroid (2E+4)	-	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
53 Iodine-124	D, all compounds	5E+1	8E+1	3E-8	-	-	-
		Thyroid (2E+2)	Thyroid (3E+2)	-	4E-10	2E-6	2E-5
53 Iodine-125	D, all compounds	4E+1	6E+1	3E-8	-	-	-
		Thyroid (1E+2)	Thyroid (2E+2)	-	3E-10	2E-6	2E-5
53 Iodine-126	D, all compounds	2E+1	4E+1	1E-8	-	-	-
		Thyroid (7E+1)	Thyroid (1E+2)	-	2E-10	1E-6	1E-5
53 Iodine-128 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
53 Iodine-129	D, all compounds	5E+0	9E+0	4E-9	-	-	-
		Thyroid (2E+1)	Thyroid (3E+1)	-	4E-11	2E-7	2E-6
53 Iodine-130	D, all compounds	4E+2	7E+2	3E-7	-	-	-
		Thyroid (1E+3)	Thyroid (2E+3)	-	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
53 Iodine-131	D, all compounds	3E+1	5E+1	2E-8	-	-	-
		Thyroid (9E+1)	Thyroid (2E+2)	-	2E-10	1E-6	1E-5
53 Iodine-132m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+3	8E+3	4E-6	-	-	-
		Thyroid (1E+4)	Thyroid (2E+4)	-	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )			
53 Iodine-132	D, all compounds	4E+3	8E+3	3E-6	-	-	-
		Thyroid (9E+3)	Thyroid (1E+4)	-	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
53 Iodine-133	D, all compounds	1E+2	3E+2	1E-7	-	-	-
		Thyroid (5E+2)	Thyroid (9E+2)	-	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
53 Iodine-134 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
		Thyroid (3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
53 Iodine-135	D, all compounds	8E+2	2E+3	7E-7	-	-	-
		Thyroid (3E+3)	Thyroid (4E+3)	-	6E-9	3E-5	3E-4
54 Xenon-120 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-121 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-6	1E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-122	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	7E-5	3E-7	-	-
54 Xenon-123	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	6E-6	3E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-125	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-5	7E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-127	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-5	6E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-129m	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	2E-4	9E-7	-	-
54 Xenon-131m	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	4E-4	2E-6	-	-
54 Xenon-133m	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-4	6E-7	-	-
54 Xenon-133	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-4	5E-7	-	-
54 Xenon-135m <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	9E-6	4E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-135	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	1E-5	7E-8	-	-
54 Xenon-138 <sup>2</sup>	Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	-	4E-6	2E-8	-	-
55 Cesium-125 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	5E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
55 Cesium-127	D, all compounds	6E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	9E-4	9E-3
55 Cesium-129	D, all compounds	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	3E-4	3E-3
55 Cesium-130 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	6E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall (1E+5)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
55 Cesium-131	D, all compounds	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	3E-4	3E-3
55 Cesium-132	D, all compounds	3E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	4E-5	4E-4
55 Cesium-134m	D, all compounds	1E+5	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (1E+5)	-	-	-	2E-3	2E-2
55 Cesium-134	D, all compounds	7E+1	1E+2	4E-8	2E-10	9E-7	9E-6
55 Cesium-135m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	1E+5	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	1E-3	1E-2
55 Cesium-135	D, all compounds	7E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
55 Cesium-136	D, all compounds	4E+2	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	6E-6	6E-5

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu$ Ci/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu$ Ci/ml)	Water ( $\mu$ Ci/ml)		
			ALI ( $\mu$ Ci)	ALI ( $\mu$ Ci)				DAC ( $\mu$ Ci/ml)
55	Cesium-137	D, all compounds	1E+2	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	1E-6	1E-5
55	Cesium-138 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
			St wall					
			(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
56	Barium-126 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	6E+3	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
56	Barium-128	D, all compounds	5E+2	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	7E-6	7E-5
56	Barium-131m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	4E+5	1E+6	6E-4	2E-6	-	-
			St wall					
			(5E+5)	-	-	-	7E-3	7E-2
56	Barium-131	D, all compounds	3E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
56	Barium-133m	D, all compounds	2E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
			LLI wall					
			(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
56	Barium-133	D, all compounds	2E+3	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	2E-5	2E-4
56	Barium-135m	D, all compounds	3E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	4E-5	4E-4
56	Barium-139 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
56	Barium-140	D, all compounds	5E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
			LLI wall					
			(6E+2)	-	-	-	8E-6	8E-5
56	Barium-141 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
56	Barium-142 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	5E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	7E-4	7E-3
57	Lanthanum-131 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	5E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	6E-4	6E-3
		W, oxides and hydroxides	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
57	Lanthanum-132	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	3E+3	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
57	Lanthanum-135	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	4E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
57	Lanthanum-137	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	1E+4	6E+1	3E-8	-	2E-4	2E-3
			Liver					
			-	(7E+1)	-	1E-10	-	-
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	3E+2	1E-7	-	-	-
			Liver					
			-	(3E+2)	-	4E-10	-	-
57	Lanthanum-138	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	9E+2	4E+0	1E-9	5E-12	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	1E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-
57	Lanthanum-140	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	6E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	9E-6	9E-5
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
57	Lanthanum-141	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	4E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	5E-5	5E-4
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
57	Lanthanum-142 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	8E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
57	Lanthanum-143 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>131</sup> La	4E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
			St wall (4E+4)	-	-	-	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>131</sup> La	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
58	Cerium-134	W, all compounds except those given for Y	5E+2	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (6E+2)	-	-	-	8E-6	8E-5
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, and fluorides	-	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
58	Cerium-135	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	2E+3	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
58	Cerium-137m	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	2E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-	-
58	Cerium-137	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	5E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	7E-4	7E-3
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
58	Cerium-139	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	5E+3	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-5	7E-4
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
58	Cerium-141	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	2E+3	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
58	Cerium-143	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	1E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
58	Cerium-144	W, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	2E+2	3E+1	1E-8	4E-11	-	-
			LLI wall (3E+2)	-	-	-	3E-6	3E-5
		Y, see <sup>134</sup> Ce	-	1E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-
59	Praseodymium-136 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	5E+4	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
			St wall (7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and fluorides	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
59	Praseodymium-137 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	4E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	5E-4	5E-3
		Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
59	Praseodymium-138m	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	1E+4	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
59 Praseodymium-139	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	6E-4	6E-3
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
59 Praseodymium-142m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	8E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	1E-3	1E-2
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
59 Praseodymium-142	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	1E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	1E-5	1E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
59 Praseodymium-143	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	9E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	7E+2	3E-7	9E-10	-	-
59 Praseodymium-144 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	3E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall (4E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
59 Praseodymium-145	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	3E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
59 Praseodymium-147 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall (8E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Pr	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
60 Neodymium-136 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	1E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	Y, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and fluorides	-	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
60 Neodymium-138	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	2E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
60 Neodymium-139m	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	5E+3	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
60 Neodymium-139 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	9E+4	3E+5	1E-4	5E-7	1E-3	1E-2
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
60 Neodymium-141	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	2E+5	7E+5	3E-4	1E-6	2E-3	2E-2
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	6E+5	3E-4	9E-7	-	-
60 Neodymium-147	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	1E+3	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	8E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
60 Neodymium-149 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	-	-
60 Neodymium-151 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	7E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	9E-4	9E-3
	Y, see <sup>136</sup> Nd	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
61	Promethium-141 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		St wall	(6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and fluorides	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
61	Promethium-143	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	5E+3	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	7E-5	7E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
61	Promethium-144	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	1E+3	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-
61	Promethium-145	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	1E+4	2E+2	7E-8	-	1E-4	1E-3
		Bone surf	-	(2E+2)	-	3E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	-	-
61	Promethium-146	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	2E+3	5E+1	2E-8	7E-11	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	4E+1	2E-8	6E-11	-	-
61	Promethium-147	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	4E+3	1E+2	5E-8	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(5E+3)	(2E+2)	-	3E-10	7E-5	7E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	1E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
61	Promethium-148m	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	7E+2	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	1E-5	1E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	3E+2	1E-7	5E-10	-	-
61	Promethium-148	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	4E+2	5E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
		LLI wall	(5E+2)	-	-	-	7E-6	7E-5
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	-	-
61	Promethium-149	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	1E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	2E+3	8E-7	2E-9	-	-
61	Promethium-150	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	5E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
61	Promethium-151	W, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	2E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>141</sup> Pm	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
62	Samarium-141m <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	3E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
62	Samarium-141 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	2E-7	-	-
		St wall	(6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
62	Samarium-142 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	8E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
62	Samarium-145	W, all compounds	6E+3	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	8E-5	8E-4
62	Samarium-146	W, all compounds	1E+1	4E-2	1E-11	-	-	-
		Bone surf		Bone surf				

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )				DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
		(3E+1)	(6E-2)	-	9E-14	3E-7	3E-6	
62	Samarium-147	W, all compounds	2E+1 Bone surf	4E-2 Bone surf	2E-11	-	-	-
		(3E+1)	(7E-2)	-	1E-13	4E-7	4E-6	
62	Samarium-151	W, all compounds	1E+4 LLI wall	1E+2 Bone surf	4E-8	-	-	-
		(1E+4)	(2E+2)	-	2E-10	2E-4	2E-3	
62	Samarium-153	W, all compounds	2E+3 LLI wall	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		(2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4	
62	Samarium-155 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	6E+4 St wall	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		(8E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2	
62	Samarium-156	W, all compounds	5E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	7E-5	7E-4
63	Europium-145	W, all compounds	2E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
63	Europium-146	W, all compounds	1E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
63	Europium-147	W, all compounds	3E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	4E-5	4E-4
63	Europium-148	W, all compounds	1E+3	4E+2	1E-7	5E-10	1E-5	1E-4
63	Europium-149	W, all compounds	1E+4	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-4	2E-3
63	Europium-150 (12.62 h)	W, all compounds	3E+3	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
63	Europium-150 (34.2 y)	W, all compounds	8E+2	2E+1	8E-9	3E-11	1E-5	1E-4
63	Europium-152m	W, all compounds	3E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	4E-5	4E-4
63	Europium-152	W, all compounds	8E+2	2E+1	1E-8	3E-11	1E-5	1E-4
63	Europium-154	W, all compounds	5E+2	2E+1	8E-9	3E-11	7E-6	7E-5
63	Europium-155	W, all compounds	4E+3	9E+1	4E-8	-	5E-5	5E-4
			-	Bone surf	-	2E-10	-	-
			(1E+2)	-	-	2E-10	-	-
63	Europium-156	W, all compounds	6E+2	5E+2	2E-7	6E-10	8E-6	8E-5
63	Europium-157	W, all compounds	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	3E-5	3E-4
63	Europium-158 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
64	Gadolinium-145 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	5E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
			St wall	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
			(5E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
		W, oxides, hydroxides, and fluorides	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
64	Gadolinium-146	D, see <sup>145</sup> Gd	1E+3	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>145</sup> Gd	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
64	Gadolinium-147	D, see <sup>145</sup> Gd	2E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>145</sup> Gd	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )			
64 Gadolinium-148	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	1E+1	8E+3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (2E+1)	Bone surf (2E+2)	-	2E-14	3E-7	3E-6
64 Gadolinium-149	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	3E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
64 Gadolinium-151	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	6E+3	4E+2	2E-7	-	9E-5	9E-4
		Bone surf -	(6E+2)	-	9E-10	-	-
64 Gadolinium-152	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	2E+1	1E-2	4E-12	-	-	-
	W, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	-	4E-2	2E-11	-	-	-
64 Gadolinium-153	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	5E+3	1E+2	6E-8	-	6E-5	6E-4
	W, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	-	(2E+2)	-	3E-10	-	-
64 Gadolinium-159	D, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	3E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see $^{145}\text{Gd}$	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
65 Terbium-147 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	1E-4	1E-3
65 Terbium-149	W, all compounds	5E+3	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-5	7E-4
65 Terbium-150	W, all compounds	5E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	7E-5	7E-4
65 Terbium-151	W, all compounds	4E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	5E-5	5E-4
65 Terbium-153	W, all compounds	5E+3	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	7E-5	7E-4
65 Terbium-154	W, all compounds	2E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	2E-5	2E-4
65 Terbium-155	W, all compounds	6E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	8E-5	8E-4
65 Terbium-156m (5.0 h)	W, all compounds	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
65 Terbium-156m (24.4 h)	W, all compounds	7E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	1E-4	1E-3
65 Terbium-156	W, all compounds	1E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
65 Terbium-157	W, all compounds	5E+4	3E+2	1E-7	-	-	-
		LLI wall (5E+4)	Bone surf (6E+2)	-	8E-10	7E-4	7E-3

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
		ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )				
65	Terbium-158	W, all compounds	1E+3	2E+1	8E-9	3E-11	2E-5	2E-4
65	Terbium-160	W, all compounds	8E+2	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	1E-5	1E-4
65	Terbium-161	W, all compounds	2E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
66	Dysprosium-155	W, all compounds	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
66	Dysprosium-157	W, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
66	Dysprosium-159	W, all compounds	1E+4	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	2E-4	2E-3
66	Dysprosium-165	W, all compounds	1E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
66	Dysprosium-166	W, all compounds	6E+2	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (8E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
67	Holmium-155 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	4E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	6E-4	6E-3
67	Holmium-157 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	3E+5	1E+6	6E-4	2E-6	4E-3	4E-2
67	Holmium-159 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	2E+5	1E+6	4E-4	1E-6	3E-3	3E-2
67	Holmium-161	W, all compounds	1E+5	4E+5	2E-4	6E-7	1E-3	1E-2
67	Holmium-162m <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	5E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	7E-4	7E-3
67	Holmium-162 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	5E+5	2E+6	1E-3	3E-6	-	-
			St wall (8E+5)	-	-	-	1E-2	1E-1
67	Holmium-164m <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	1E+5	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	1E-3	1E-2
67	Holmium-164 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	2E+5	6E+5	3E-4	9E-7	-	-
			St wall (2E+5)	-	-	-	3E-3	3E-2
67	Holmium-166m	W, all compounds	6E+2	7E+0	3E-9	9E-12	9E-6	9E-5
67	Holmium-166	W, all compounds	9E+2	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (9E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
67	Holmium-167	W, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	2E-4	2E-3
68	Erbium-161	W, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	2E-4	2E-3
68	Erbium-165	W, all compounds	6E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	9E-4	9E-3
68	Erbium-169	W, all compounds	3E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (4E+3)	-	-	-	5E-5	5E-4
68	Erbium-171	W, all compounds	4E+3	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	5E-5	5E-4
68	Erbium-172	W, all compounds	1E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
69	Thulium-162 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	7E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
			St wall (7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
69	Thulium-166	W, all compounds	4E+3	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
69	Thulium-167	W, all compounds	2E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4

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		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)			
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)					
69	Thulium-170	W, all compounds	8E+2	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	-	-	
		LLI wall	(1E+3)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4	
69	Thulium-171	W, all compounds	1E+4	3E+2	1E-7	-	-	-	
		LLI wall	(1E+4)	Bone surf	(6E+2)	-	8E-10	2E-4	2E-3
69	Thulium-172	W, all compounds	7E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-	
		LLI wall	(8E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4	
69	Thulium-173	W, all compounds	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4	
69	Thulium-175 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	7E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-	
		St wall	(9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2	
70	Ytterbium-162 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	7E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	1E-3	1E-2	
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, and fluorides	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-166	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	1E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-167 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	3E+5	8E+5	3E-4	1E-6	4E-3	4E-2	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	7E+5	3E-4	1E-6	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-169	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	2E+3	8E+2	4E-7	1E-9	2E-5	2E-4	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-175	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	3E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-	
		LLI wall	(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-177 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-	
70	Ytterbium-178 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
		Y, see <sup>162</sup> Yb	-	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-	
71	Lutetium-169	W, all compounds except those given for Y	3E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	3E-5	3E-4	
		Y, oxides, hydroxides, and fluorides	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-	
71	Lutetium-170	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	1E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4	
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-	
71	Lutetium-171	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	2E+3	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	3E-5	3E-4	
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-	
71	Lutetium-172	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	1E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4	
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-	

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi) DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
71	Lutetium-173	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	5E+3	3E+2	1E-7	-	7E-5	7E-4
				Bone surf				
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	(5E+2)	-	6E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
71	Lutetium-174m	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	2E+3	2E+2	1E-7	-	-	-
			LLI wall	Bone surf				
			(3E+3)	(3E+2)	-	5E-10	4E-5	4E-4
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	-	-
71	Lutetium-174	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	5E+3	1E+2	5E-8	-	7E-5	7E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(2E+2)	-	3E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
71	Lutetium-176m	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	8E+3	3E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
71	Lutetium-176	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	7E+2	5E+0	2E-9	-	1E-5	1E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(1E+1)	-	2E-11	-	-
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	8E+0	3E-9	1E-11	-	-
71	Lutetium-177m	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	7E+2	1E+2	5E-8	-	1E-5	1E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(1E+2)	-	2E-10	-	-
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	8E+1	3E-8	1E-10	-	-
71	Lutetium-177	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	2E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
			LLI wall					
			(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
71	Lutetium-178m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
			St wall					
			(6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
71	Lutetium-178 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
			St wall					
			(4E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
71	Lutetium-179	W, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	6E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	9E-5	9E-4
		Y, see <sup>169</sup> Lu	-	2E+4	6E-6	3E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
72	Hafnium-170	D, all compounds except those given for W	3E+3	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	4E-5	4E-4
		W, oxides, hydroxides, carbides, and nitrates	-	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
72	Hafnium-172	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	1E+3	9E+0	4E-9	-	2E-5	2E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(2E+1)	-	3E-11	-	-
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	4E+1	2E-8	-	-	-
				Bone surf				
			-	(6E+1)	-	8E-11	-	-
72	Hafnium-173	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
72	Hafnium-175	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	3E+3	9E+2	4E-7	-	4E-5	4E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(1E+3)	-	1E-9	-	-
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
72	Hafnium-177m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
72	Hafnium-178m	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	3E+2	1E+0	5E-10	-	3E-6	3E-5
				Bone surf				
			-	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	-	-
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	5E+0	2E-9	-	-	-
				Bone surf				
			-	(9E+0)	-	1E-11	-	-
72	Hafnium-179m	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	1E+3	3E+2	1E-7	-	1E-5	1E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(6E+2)	-	8E-10	-	-
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	6E+2	3E-7	8E-10	-	-
72	Hafnium-180m	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	7E+3	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
72	Hafnium-181	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	1E+3	2E+2	7E-8	-	2E-5	2E-4
				Bone surf				
			-	(4E+2)	-	6E-10	-	-
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-
72	Hafnium-182m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	4E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	5E-4	5E-3
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
72	Hafnium-182	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	2E+2	8E-1	3E-10	-	-	-
			Bone surf (4E+2)	Bone surf (2E+0)	-	2E-12	5E-6	5E-5
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	3E+0	1E-9	-	-	-
			-	Bone surf (7E+0)	-	1E-11	-	-
72	Hafnium-183 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>170</sup> Hf	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-172 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	4E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	5E-4	5E-3
		Y, elemental Ta, oxides, hydroxides, halides, carbides, nitrates, and nitrides	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
73	Tantalum-173	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	7E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	9E-5	9E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-174 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	3E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
73	Tantalum-175	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	6E+3	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-176	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	5E-5	5E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-177	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	1E+4	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-178	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	2E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	2E-4	2E-3
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
73	Tantalum-179	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	2E+4	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	3E-4	3E-3
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
73	Tantalum-180m	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	-	-
73	Tantalum-180	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	1E+3	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	2E+1	1E-8	3E-11	-	-
73	Tantalum-182m <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	2E+5	5E+5	2E-4	8E-7	-	-
		St wall	(2E+5)	-	-	-	3E-3	3E-2
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	4E+5	2E-4	6E-7	-	-
73	Tantalum-182	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	8E+2	3E+2	1E-7	5E-10	1E-5	1E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	1E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
73	Tantalum-183	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	9E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
		LLI wall	(1E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	-	-



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
73 Tantalum-184	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
73 Tantalum-185 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	3E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
	Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	-	-
73 Tantalum-186 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	5E+4	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
	St wall	(7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
	Y, see <sup>172</sup> Ta	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
74 Tungsten-176	D, all compounds	1E+4	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	1E-4	1E-3
74 Tungsten-177	D, all compounds	2E+4	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
74 Tungsten-178	D, all compounds	5E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	7E-5	7E-4
74 Tungsten-179 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	5E+5	2E+6	7E-4	2E-6	7E-3	7E-2
74 Tungsten-181	D, all compounds	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3
74 Tungsten-185	D, all compounds	2E+3	7E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
74 Tungsten-187	D, all compounds	2E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	3E-5	3E-4
74 Tungsten-188	D, all compounds	4E+2	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
	LLI wall	(5E+2)	-	-	-	7E-6	7E-5
75 Rhenium-177 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	9E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
	St wall	(1E+5)	-	-	-	2E-3	2E-2
	W, oxides, hydroxides, and nitrates	-	4E+5	1E-4	5E-7	-	-
75 Rhenium-178 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	7E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
	St wall	(1E+5)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	-	-
75 Rhenium-181	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	5E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	7E-5	7E-4
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
75 Rhenium-182 (12.7 h)	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	7E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	9E-5	9E-4
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	2E+4	6E-6	2E-8	-	-
75 Rhenium-182 (64.0 h)	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	1E+3	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
75 Rhenium-184m	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-
75 Rhenium-184	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	2E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi)      DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
75	Rhenium-186m	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	1E+3	2E+3	7E-7	-	-	-
			St wall (2E+3)	St wall (2E+3)	-	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
75	Rhenium-186	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
75	Rhenium-187	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	6E+5	8E+5	4E-4	-	8E-3	8E-2
			St wall (9E+5)	-	1E-6	-	-	-
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
75	Rhenium-188m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	8E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
75	Rhenium-188	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
75	Rhenium-189	D, see <sup>177</sup> Re	3E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	4E-5	4E-4
		W, see <sup>177</sup> Re	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
76	Osmium-180 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	1E+5	4E+5	2E-4	5E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		W, halides and nitrates	-	5E+5	2E-4	7E-7	-	-
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	5E+5	2E-4	6E-7	-	-
76	Osmium-181 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-
76	Osmium-182	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	2E+3	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
76	Osmium-185	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	2E+3	5E+2	2E-7	7E-10	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
76	Osmium-189m	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	8E+4	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	1E-3	1E-2
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
76	Osmium-191m	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
76	Osmium-191	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	2E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (3E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
76 Osmium-193	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
		LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	2E-5	2E-4
	W, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
76 Osmium-194	D, see <sup>180</sup> Os	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		4E+2	4E+1	2E-8	6E-11	-	-
	LLI wall (6E+2)	-	-	-	8E-6	8E-5	
77 Iridium-182 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	-	6E+1	2E-8	8E-11	-	-
		4E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
	St wall (4E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3	
77 Iridium-184	W, halides, nitrates, and metallic iridium	-	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	8E+3	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
77 Iridium-185	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
77 Iridium-186	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	2E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	3E-5	3E-4
77 Iridium-187	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	1E-4	1E-3
77 Iridium-188	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	3E-5	3E-4
77 Iridium-189	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	5E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
77 Iridium-190m <sup>2</sup>	LLI wall (5E+3)	-	-	-	-	7E-5	7E-4
	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	-	-
77 Iridium-190m <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	2E+5	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	2E-3	2E-2
	W, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
	Y, see <sup>182</sup> Ir	-	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )				
77 Iridium-190	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	1E+3	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	1E-5	1E-4	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	1E+3	4E-7	1E-9	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-	
77 Iridium-192m	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	3E+3	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	4E-5	4E-4	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+1	6E-9	2E-11	-	-	
77 Iridium-192	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	9E+2	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	1E-5	1E-4	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	-	-	
77 Iridium-194m	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	6E+2	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	9E-6	9E-5	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+2	7E-8	2E-10	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	1E+2	4E-8	1E-10	-	-	
77 Iridium-194	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	1E-5	1E-4	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-	
77 Iridium-195m	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	8E+3	2E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-	
77 Iridium-195	D, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
	W, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	5E+4	2E-5	7E-8	-	-	
	Y, see $^{182}\text{Ir}$	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-	
78 Platinum-186	D, all compounds	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
78 Platinum-188	D, all compounds	2E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	2E-5	2E-4	
78 Platinum-189	D, all compounds	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3	
78 Platinum-191	D, all compounds	4E+3	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	5E-5	5E-4	
78 Platinum-193m	D, all compounds	3E+3	6E+3	3E-6	8E-9	-	-	
78 Platinum-193	D, all compounds	LLI wall	(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
		LLI wall	(5E+4)	-	-	-	6E-4	6E-3
		LLI wall	(2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
78 Platinum-195m	D, all compounds	2E+3	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-	
78 Platinum-197m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3	
78 Platinum-197	D, all compounds	3E+3	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4	
78 Platinum-199 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	5E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	7E-4	7E-3	
78 Platinum-200	D, all compounds	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4	

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
79 Gold-193	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
	W, halides and nitrates	-	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	-	-
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	-	-
79 Gold-194	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	3E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	5E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
79 Gold-195	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	4E+2	2E-7	6E-10	-	-
79 Gold-198m	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	1E-5	1E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
79 Gold-198	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	1E+3	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	2E+3	8E-7	3E-9	-	-
	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
79 Gold-199	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	3E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
	LLI wall	(3E+3)	-	-	-	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
79 Gold-200m	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	1E+3	4E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
79 Gold-200 <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	2E+4	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	3E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	4E-4	4E-3
	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
79 Gold-201 <sup>2</sup>	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	D, see <sup>193</sup> Au	7E+4	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
	St wall	(9E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
80 Mercury-193m	W, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	2E+5	1E-4	3E-7	-	-
	Y, see <sup>193</sup> Au	-	2E+5	9E-5	3E-7	-	-
	Vapor	-	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
80 Mercury-193	Organic D	4E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	6E-5	6E-4
	D, sulfates	3E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, oxides, hydroxides, halides, nitrates, and sulfides	-	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
80 Mercury-193	Vapor	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
	Organic D	2E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (µCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (µCi/ml)	Water (µCi/ml)	
			ALI (µCi)	ALI (µCi)			
80 Mercury-194	Vapor	-	3E+1	1E-8	4E-11	-	-
	Organic D	2E+1	3E+1	1E-8	4E-11	2E-7	2E-6
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	8E+2	4E+1	2E-8	6E-11	1E-5	1E-4
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	-	-
80 Mercury-195m	Vapor	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
	Organic D	3E+3	6E+3	3E-6	8E-9	4E-5	4E-4
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	-	-
80 Mercury-195	Vapor	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
	Organic D	2E+4	5E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	1E+4	4E+4	1E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	-	-
80 Mercury-197m	Vapor	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
	Organic D	4E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	5E-5	5E-4
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	3E+3	7E+3	3E-6	1E-8	4E-5	4E-4
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	-	-
80 Mercury-197	Vapor	-	8E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
	Organic D	7E+3	1E+4	6E-6	2E-8	9E-5	9E-4
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	6E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	8E-5	8E-4
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
80 Mercury-199m <sup>2</sup>	Vapor	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
	Organic D	6E+4	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
		(1E+5)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	6E+4	1E+5	6E-5	2E-7	8E-4	8E-3
80 Mercury-203	Vapor	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
	Organic D	5E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	7E-6	7E-5
	D, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>193m</sup> Hg	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
81 Thallium-194m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	5E+4	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		(7E+4)	-	-	-	1E-3	1E-2
81 Thallium-194 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	3E+5	6E+5	2E-4	8E-7	-	-
		(3E+5)	-	-	-	4E-3	4E-2
81 Thallium-195 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	6E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	9E-4	9E-3
81 Thallium-197	D, all compounds	7E+4	1E+5	5E-5	2E-7	1E-3	1E-2
81 Thallium-198m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	3E+4	5E+4	2E-5	8E-8	4E-4	4E-3
81 Thallium-198	D, all compounds	2E+4	3E+4	1E-5	5E-8	3E-4	3E-3
81 Thallium-199	D, all compounds	6E+4	8E+4	4E-5	1E-7	9E-4	9E-3
81 Thallium-200	D, all compounds	8E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	1E-4	1E-3
81 Thallium-201	D, all compounds	2E+4	2E+4	9E-6	3E-8	2E-4	2E-3
81 Thallium-202	D, all compounds	4E+3	5E+3	2E-6	7E-9	5E-5	5E-4

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		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )				
81	Thallium-204	D, all compounds	2E+3	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
82	Lead-195m <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	6E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	8E-4	8E-3
82	Lead-198	D, all compounds	3E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	4E-4	4E-3
82	Lead-199 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+4	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
82	Lead-200	D, all compounds	3E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	4E-5	4E-4
82	Lead-201	D, all compounds	7E+3	2E+4	8E-6	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
82	Lead-202m	D, all compounds	9E+3	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	1E-4	1E-3
82	Lead-202	D, all compounds	1E+2	5E+1	2E-8	7E-11	2E-6	2E-5
82	Lead-203	D, all compounds	5E+3	9E+3	4E-6	1E-8	7E-5	7E-4
82	Lead-205	D, all compounds	4E+3	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	5E-5	5E-4
82	Lead-209	D, all compounds	2E+4	6E+4	2E-5	8E-8	3E-4	3E-3
82	Lead-210	D, all compounds	6E-1 Bone surf	2E-1 Bone surf	1E-10	-	-	-
			(1E+0)	(4E-1)	-	6E-13	1E-8	1E-7
82	Lead-211 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	1E+4	6E+2	3E-7	9E-10	2E-4	2E-3
82	Lead-212	D, all compounds	8E+1 Bone surf	3E+1	1E-8	5E-11	-	-
			(1E+2)	-	-	-	2E-6	2E-5
82	Lead-214 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	9E+3	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	1E-4	1E-3
83	Bismuth-200 <sup>2</sup>	D, nitrates	3E+4	8E+4	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
		W, all other compounds	-	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
83	Bismuth-201 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	1E+4	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-
83	Bismuth-202 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	1E+4	4E+4	2E-5	6E-8	2E-4	2E-3
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
83	Bismuth-203	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	2E+3	7E+3	3E-6	9E-9	3E-5	3E-4
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
83	Bismuth-205	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	1E+3	3E+3	1E-6	3E-9	2E-5	2E-4
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	-	-
83	Bismuth-206	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	6E+2	1E+3	6E-7	2E-9	9E-6	9E-5
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	9E+2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
83	Bismuth-207	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	1E+3	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	1E-5	1E-4
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	4E+2	1E-7	5E-10	-	-
83	Bismuth-210m	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	4E+1	5E+0	2E-9	-	-	-
		Kidneys	Kidneys					
			(6E+1)	(6E+0)	-	9E-12	8E-7	8E-6
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	7E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
83	Bismuth-210	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	8E+2	2E+2	1E-7	-	1E-5	1E-4
				Kidneys				
			-	(4E+2)	-	5E-10	-	-
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	3E+1	1E-8	4E-11	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )      DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
83	Bismuth-212 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	5E+3	2E+2	1E-7	3E-10	7E-5	7E-4
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
83	Bismuth-213 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	7E+3	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	4E+2	1E-7	5E-10	-	-
83	Bismuth-214 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	2E+4	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
		St wall	(2E+4)	-	-	-	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>200</sup> Bi	-	9E-2	4E-7	1E-9	-	-
84	Polonium-203 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds except those given for W	3E+4	6E+4	3E-5	9E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, oxides, hydroxides, and nitrates	-	9E+4	4E-5	1E-7	-	-
84	Polonium-205 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>203</sup> Po	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	3E-4	3E-3
		W, see <sup>203</sup> Po	-	7E+4	3E-5	1E-7	-	-
84	Polonium-207	D, see <sup>203</sup> Po	8E+3	3E+4	1E-5	3E-8	1E-4	1E-3
		W, see <sup>203</sup> Po	-	3E+4	1E-5	4E-8	-	-
84	Polonium-210	D, see <sup>203</sup> Po	3E+0	6E-1	3E-10	9E-13	4E-8	4E-7
		W, see <sup>203</sup> Po	-	6E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
85	Astatine-207 <sup>2</sup>	D, halides	6E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	8E-5	8E-4
		W	-	2E+3	9E-7	3E-9	-	-
85	Astatine-211	D, halides	1E+2	8E+1	3E-8	1E-10	2E-6	2E-5
		W	-	5E+1	2E-8	8E-11	-	-
86	Radon-220	With daughters removed	-	2E+4	7E-6	2E-8	-	-
		With daughters present	-	2E+1	9E-9	3E-11	-	-
				(or 12 working level months)	(or 1.0 working level)			
86	Radon-222	With daughters removed	-	1E+4	4E-6	1E-8	-	-
		With daughters present	-	1E+2	3E-8	1E-10	-	-
				(or 4 working level months)	(or 0.33 working level)			
87	Francium-222 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	2E+3	5E+2	2E-7	6E-10	3E-5	3E-4
87	Francium-223 <sup>2</sup>	D, all compounds	6E+2	8E+2	3E-7	1E-9	8E-6	8E-5
88	Radium-223	W, all compounds	5E+0	7E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
		Bone surf	(9E+0)	-	-	-	1E-7	1E-6



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
			ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )			
88 Radium-224	W, all compounds	8E+0	2E+0	7E-10	2E-12	-	-
		Bone surf (2E+1)	-	-	-	2E-7	2E-6
88 Radium-225	W, all compounds	8E+0	7E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
		Bone surf (2E+1)	-	-	-	2E-7	2E-6
88 Radium-226	W, all compounds	2E+0	6E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
		Bone surf (5E+0)	-	-	-	6E-8	6E-7
88 Radium-227 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	2E+4	1E+4	6E-6	-	-	-
		Bone surf (2E+4)	Bone surf (2E+4)	-	3E-8	3E-4	3E-3
88 Radium-228	W, all compounds	2E+0	1E+0	5E-10	2E-12	-	-
		Bone surf (4E+0)	-	-	-	6E-8	6E-7
89 Actinium-224	D, all compounds except those given for W and Y	2E+3 LLI wall	3E+1 Bone surf	1E-8	-	-	-
		(2E+3)	(4E+1)	-	5E-11	3E-5	3E-4
	W, halides and nitrates	-	5E+1	2E-8	7E-11	-	-
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	5E+1	2E-8	6E-11	-	-
89 Actinium-225	D, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	5E+1 LLI wall	3E-1 Bone surf	1E-10	-	-	-
		(5E+1)	(5E-1)	-	7E-13	7E-7	7E-6
	W, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	6E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
	Y, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	6E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
89 Actinium-226	D, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	1E+2 LLI wall	3E+0 Bone surf	1E-9	-	-	-
		(1E+2)	(4E+0)	-	5E-12	2E-6	2E-5
	W, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	5E+0	2E-9	7E-12	-	-
	Y, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	5E+0	2E-9	6E-12	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi)      DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
89 Actinium-227	D, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	2E-1 Bone surf	4E-4 Bone surf	2E-13	-	-	-
		(4E-1)	(8E-4)	-	1E-15	5E-9	5E-8
	W, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	2E-3 Bone surf	7E-13	-	-	-
		-	(3E-3)	-	4E-15	-	-
89 Actinium-228	D, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	4E-3	2E-12	6E-15	-	-
		2E+3	9E+0 Bone surf	4E-9	-	3E-5	3E-4
	W, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	-	(2E+1)	-	2E-11	-	-
		-	4E+1 Bone surf	2E-8	-	-	-
90 Thorium-226 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	-	(6E+1)	-	8E-11	-	-
		-	4E+1	2E-8	6E-11	-	-
	Y, see <sup>224</sup> Ac	5E+3 St wall	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
90 Thorium-227	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	(5E+3)	-	-	-	7E-5	7E-4
		-	1E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
	Y, oxides and hydroxides	1E+2	3E-1	1E-10	5E-13	2E-6	2E-5
90 Thorium-228	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	3E-1	1E-10	5E-13	-	-
		6E+0 Bone surf	1E-2 Bone surf	4E-12	-	-	-
90 Thorium-229	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	(1E+1)	(2E-2)	-	3E-14	2E-7	2E-6
		-	2E-2	7E-12	2E-14	-	-
	Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	6E-1 Bone surf	9E-4 Bone surf	4E-13	-	-	-
90 Thorium-230	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	(1E+0)	(2E-3)	-	3E-15	2E-8	2E-7
		-	2E-3	1E-12	-	-	-
	Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	(3E-3)	-	4E-15	-	-
90 Thorium-231	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	4E+0 Bone surf	6E-3 Bone surf	3E-12	-	-	-
		(9E+0)	(2E-2)	-	2E-14	1E-7	1E-6
	Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	2E-2 Bone surf	6E-12	-	-	-
90 Thorium-231	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	(2E-2)	-	3E-14	-	-
		4E+3	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	5E-5	5E-4
	Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	6E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	
		Oral Ingestion ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )	INHALATION ALI ( $\mu\text{Ci}$ )      DAC ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		Air ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Water ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )		
90	Thorium-232	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	7E-1	1E-3	5E-13	-	-	-
			Bone surf (2E+0)	Bone surf (3E-3)	-	4E-15	3E-8	3E-7
		Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	3E-3	1E-12	-	-	-
			-	Bone surf (4E-3)	-	6E-15	-	-
90	Thorium-234	W, see <sup>226</sup> Th	3E+2	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	-	-
			LLI wall (4E+2)	-	-	-	5E-6	5E-5
		Y, see <sup>226</sup> Th	-	2E+2	6E-8	2E-10	-	-
91	Protactinium-227 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	4E+3	1E+2	5E-8	2E-10	5E-5	5E-4
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	1E+2	4E-8	1E-10	-	-
91	Protactinium-228	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	1E+3	1E+1	5E-9	-	2E-5	2E-4
			-	Bone surf (2E+1)	-	3E-11	-	-
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	1E+1	5E-9	2E-11	-	-
91	Protactinium-230	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	6E+2	5E+0	2E-9	7E-12	-	-
			Bone surf (9E+2)	-	-	-	1E-5	1E-4
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	4E+0	1E-9	5E-12	-	-
91	Protactinium-231	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	2E-1	2E-3	6E-13	-	-	-
			Bone surf (5E-1)	Bone surf (4E-3)	-	6E-15	6E-9	6E-8
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	4E-3	2E-12	-	-	-
			-	Bone surf (6E-3)	-	8E-15	-	-
91	Protactinium-232	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	1E+3	2E+1	9E-9	-	2E-5	2E-4
			-	Bone surf (6E+1)	-	8E-11	-	-
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	6E+1	2E-8	-	-	-
			-	Bone surf (7E+1)	-	1E-10	-	-
91	Protactinium-233	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	1E+3	7E+2	3E-7	1E-9	-	-
			LLI wall (2E+3)	-	-	-	E-5	2E-4
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi) DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
91	Protactinium-234	W, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	2E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	3E-5	3E-4
		Y, see <sup>227</sup> Pa	-	7E+3	3E-6	9E-9	-	-
92	Uranium-230	D, UF, UOF, UO(NO)	4E+0	4E-1	2E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(6E+0)	(6E-1)	-	8E-13	8E-8	8E-7
		W, UO, UF, UCI	-	4E-1	1E-10	5E-13	-	-
		Y, UO, UO	-	3E-1	1E-10	4E-13	-	-
92	Uranium-231	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	5E+3	8E+3	3E-6	1E-8	-	-
		LLI wall	(4E+3)	-	-	-	6E-5	6E-4
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	6E+3	2E-6	8E-9	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
92	Uranium-232	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	2E+0	2E-1	9E-11	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(4E+0)	(4E-1)	-	6E-13	6E-8	6E-7
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	4E-1	2E-10	5E-13	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	8E-3	3E-12	1E-14	-	-
92	Uranium-233	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	1E+1	1E+0	5E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	7E-1	3E-10	1E-12	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	4E-2	2E-11	5E-14	-	-
92	Uranium-234 <sup>3</sup>	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	1E+1	1E+0	5E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	7E-1	3E-10	1E-12	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	4E-2	2E-11	5E-14	-	-
92	Uranium-235 <sup>3</sup>	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	1E+1	1E+0	6E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	8E-1	3E-10	1E-12	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	4E-2	2E-11	6E-14	-	-
92	Uranium-236	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	1E+1	1E+0	5E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
		W, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	8E-1	3E-10	1E-12	-	-
		Y, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	4E-2	2E-11	6E-14	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)			
92 Uranium-237	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	2E+3 LLI wall	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		(2E+3)	-	-	-	3E-5	3E-4
		-	2E+3	7E-7	2E-9	-	-
92 Uranium-238 <sup>3</sup>	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	2E+3	6E-7	2E-9	-	-
		1E+1 Bone surf	1E+0 Bone surf	6E-10	-	-	-
		(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
92 Uranium-239 <sup>2</sup>	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	8E-1	3E-10	1E-12	-	-
		-	4E-2	2E-11	6E-14	-	-
		7E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	9E-4	9E-3
92 Uranium-240	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	2E+5	7E-5	2E-7	-	-
		-	2E+5	6E-5	2E-7	-	-
		1E+3	4E+3	2E-6	5E-9	2E-5	2E-4
92 Uranium-natural <sup>3</sup>	D, see <sup>230</sup> U	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
		-	2E+3	1E-6	3E-9	-	-
		1E+1 Bone surf	1E+0 Bone surf	5E-10	-	-	-
93 Neptunium-232 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	(2E+1)	(2E+0)	-	3E-12	3E-7	3E-6
		-	8E-1	3E-10	9E-13	-	-
		-	5E-2	2E-11	9E-14	-	-
93 Neptunium-233 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	1E+5	2E+3 Bone surf	7E-7	-	2E-3	2E-2
		-	(5E+2)	-	6E-9	-	-
93 Neptunium-234	W, all compounds	8E+5	3E+6	1E-3	4E-6	1E-2	1E-1
93 Neptunium-235	W, all compounds	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	3E-5	3E-4
93 Neptunium-236 (1.15E+5 y)	W, all compounds	2E+4 LLI wall	8E+2 Bone surf	3E-7	-	-	-
		(2E+4)	(1E+3)	-	2E-9	3E-4	3E-3
		3E+0 Bone surf	2E-2 Bone surf	9E-12	-	-	-
93 Neptunium-236 (22.5 h)	W, all compounds	(6E+0)	(5E-2)	-	8E-14	9E-8	9E-7
		3E+3 Bone surf	3E+1 Bone surf	1E-8	-	-	-
93 Neptunium-237	W, all compounds	(4E+3)	(7E+1)	-	1E-10	5E-5	5E-4
		5E-1 Bone surf	4E-3 Bone surf	2E-12	-	-	-
93 Neptunium-238	W, all compounds	(1E+0)	(1E-2)	-	1E-14	2E-8	2E-7
		1E+3	6E+1 Bone surf	3E-8	-	2E-5	2E-4
		-	(2E+2)	-	2E-10	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi)      DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
93	Neptunium-239	W, all compounds	2E+3 LLI wall (2E+3)	2E+3 -	9E-7 -	3E-9 -	- 2E-5 2E-4	- 2E-4
93	Neptunium-240 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	2E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	3E-4	3E-3
94	Plutonium-234	W, all compounds except PuO	8E+3	2E+2	9E-8	3E-10	1E-4	1E-3
		Y, PuO	-	2E+2	8E-8	3E-10	-	-
94	Plutonium-235 <sup>2</sup>	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	9E+5	3E+6	1E-3	4E-6	1E-2	1E-1
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	3E+6	1E-3	3E-6	-	-
94	Plutonium-236	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	2E+0 Bone surf (4E+0)	2E-2 Bone surf (4E-2)	8E-12 -	- 5E-14	- 6E-8	- 6E-7
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	4E-2	2E-11	6E-14	-	-
94	Plutonium-237	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	1E+4	3E+3	1E-6	5E-9	2E-4	2E-3
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	-	-
94	Plutonium-238	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	9E-1 Bone surf (2E+0)	7E-3 Bone surf (1E-2)	3E-12 -	- 2E-14	- 2E-8	- 2E-7
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	2E-2	8E-12	2E-14	-	-
94	Plutonium-239	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	8E-1 Bone surf (1E+0)	6E-3 Bone surf (1E-2)	3E-12 -	- 2E-14	- 2E-8	- 2E-7
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	2E-2 Bone surf (2E-2)	7E-12 -	- 2E-14	- -	- -
94	Plutonium-240	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	8E-1 Bone surf (1E+0)	6E-3 Bone surf (1E-2)	3E-12 -	- 2E-14	- 2E-8	- 2E-7
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	2E-2 Bone surf (2E-2)	7E-12 -	- 2E-14	- -	- -
94	Plutonium-241	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	4E+1 Bone surf (7E+1)	3E-1 Bone surf (6E-1)	1E-10 -	- 8E-13	- 1E-6	- 1E-5
		Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	8E-1 Bone surf (1E+0)	3E-10 -	- 1E-12	- -	- -

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)			
94 Plutonium-242	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	8E-1	7E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (1E+0)	Bone surf (1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
	Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	2E-2 Bone surf (2E-2)	7E-12	-	-	-
94 Plutonium-243	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	2E+4	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	2E-4	2E-3
	Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	4E+4	2E-5	5E-8	-	-
94 Plutonium-244	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	8E-1	7E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (2E+0)	Bone surf (1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
	Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	2E-2 Bone surf (2E-2)	7E-12	-	-	-
94 Plutonium-245	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	2E+3	5E+3	2E-6	6E-9	3E-5	3E-4
	Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	4E+3	2E-6	6E-9	-	-
94 Plutonium-246	W, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	4E+2 LLI wall (4E+2)	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
	Y, see <sup>234</sup> Pu	-	3E+2	1E-7	4E-10	-	-
95 Americium-237 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	8E+4	3E+5	1E-4	4E-7	1E-3	1E-2
95 Americium-238 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	4E+4	3E+3 Bone surf (6E+3)	1E-6	-	5E-4	5E-3
		-	-	-	9E-9	-	-
95 Americium-239	W, all compounds	5E+3	1E+4	5E-6	2E-8	7E-5	7E-4
95 Americium-240	W, all compounds	2E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	3E-5	3E-4
95 Americium-241	W, all compounds	8E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (1E+0)	Bone surf (1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
95 Americium-242m	W, all compounds	8E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (1E+0)	Bone surf (1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
95 Americium-242	W, all compounds	4E+3	8E+1 Bone surf (9E+1)	4E-8	-	5E-5	5E-4
		-	-	-	1E-10	-	-
95 Americium-243	W, all compounds	8E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf (1E+0)	Bone surf (1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)			
95 Americium-244m <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	6E+4	4E+3	2E-6	-	-	-
		St wall	Bone surf				
		(8E+4)	(7E+3)	-	1E-8	1E-3	1E-2
95 Americium-244	W, all compounds	3E+3	2E+2	8E-8	-	4E-5	4E-4
			Bone surf				
		-	(3E+2)	-	4E-10	-	-
95 Americium-245	W, all compounds	3E+4	8E+4	3E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
95 Americium-246m <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	5E+4	2E+5	8E-5	3E-7	-	-
		(6E+4)	-	-	-	8E-4	8E-3
95 Americium-246 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	3E+4	1E+5	4E-5	1E-7	4E-4	4E-3
96 Curium-238	W, all compounds	2E+4	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	2E-4	2E-3
96 Curium-240	W, all compounds	6E+1	6E-1	2E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(8E+1)	(6E-1)	-	9E-13	1E-6	1E-5
96 Curium-241	W, all compounds	1E+3	3E+1	1E-8	-	2E-5	2E-4
			Bone surf				
		-	(4E+1)	-	5E-11	-	-
96 Curium-242	W, all compounds	3E+1	3E-1	1E-10	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(5E+1)	(3E-1)	-	4E-13	7E-7	7E-6
96 Curium-243	W, all compounds	1E+0	9E-3	4E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(2E+0)	(2E-2)	-	2E-14	3E-8	3E-7
96 Curium-244	W, all compounds	1E+0	1E-2	5E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(3E+0)	(2E-2)	-	3E-14	3E-8	3E-7
96 Curium-245	W, all compounds	7E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(1E+0)	(1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
96 Curium-246	W, all compounds	7E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(1E+0)	(1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
96 Curium-247	W, all compounds	8E-1	6E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(1E+0)	(1E-2)	-	2E-14	2E-8	2E-7
96 Curium-248	W, all compounds	2E-1	2E-3	7E-13	-	-	-
		Bone surf	Bone surf				
		(4E-1)	(3E-3)	-	4E-15	5E-9	5E-8



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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
			ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)				DAC (μCi/ml)
96	Curium-249 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds	5E+4	2E+4 Bone surf	7E-6	-	7E-4	7E-3
			-	(3E+4)	-	4E-8	-	-
96	Curium-250	W, all compounds	4E-2 Bone surf	3E-4 Bone surf	1E-13	-	-	-
			(6E-2)	(5E-4)	-	8E-16	9E-10	9E-9
97	Berkelium-245	W, all compounds	2E+3	1E+3	5E-7	2E-9	3E-5	3E-4
97	Berkelium-246	W, all compounds	3E+3	3E+3	1E-6	4E-9	4E-5	4E-4
97	Berkelium-247	W, all compounds	5E-1 Bone surf	4E-3 Bone surf	2E-12	-	-	-
			(1E+0)	(9E-3)	-	1E-14	2E-8	2E-7
97	Berkelium-249	W, all compounds	2E+2 Bone surf	2E+0 Bone surf	7E-10	-	-	-
			(5E+2)	(4E+0)	-	5E-12	6E-6	6E-5
97	Berkelium-250	W, all compounds	9E+3	3E+2 Bone surf	1E-7	-	1E-4	1E-3
			-	(7E+2)	-	1E-9	-	-
98	Californium-244 <sup>2</sup>	W, all compounds except those given for Y	3E+4 St wall	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
			(3E+4)	-	-	-	4E-4	4E-3
		Y, oxides and hydroxides	-	6E+2	2E-7	8E-10	-	-
98	Californium-246	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	4E+2	9E+0	4E-9	1E-11	5E-6	5E-5
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	9E+0	4E-9	1E-11	-	-
98	Californium-248	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	8E+0 Bone surf	6E-2 Bone surf	3E-11	-	-	-
			(2E+1)	(1E-1)	-	2E-13	2E-7	2E-6
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	1E-1	4E-11	1E-13	-	-
98	Californium-249	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	5E-1 Bone surf	4E-3 Bone surf	2E-12	-	-	-
			(1E+0)	(9E-3)	-	1E-14	2E-8	2E-7
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	1E-2 Bone surf	4E-12	-	-	-
			-	(1E-2)	-	2E-14	-	-
98	Californium-250	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	1E+0 Bone surf	9E-3 Bone surf	4E-12	-	-	-
			(2E+0)	(2E-2)	-	3E-14	3E-8	3E-7
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	3E-2	1E-11	4E-14	-	-

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)	
		Oral Ingestion	INHALATION		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)		
		ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/ml)				
98	Californium-251	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	5E-1 Bone surf (1E+0)	4E-3 Bone surf (9E-3)	2E-12	-	-	2E-7
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	1E-2 Bone surf (1E-2)	4E-12	-	-	-
98	Californium-252	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	2E+0 Bone surf (5E+0)	2E-2 Bone surf (4E-2)	8E-12	-	-	-
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	3E-2	1E-11	5E-14	-	-
98	Californium-253	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	2E+2 Bone surf (4E+2)	2E+0	8E-10	3E-12	-	-
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	2E+0	7E-10	2E-12	5E-6	5E-5
98	Californium-254	W, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	2E+0	2E-2	9E-12	3E-14	3E-8	3E-7
		Y, see <sup>244</sup> Cf	-	2E-2	7E-12	2E-14	-	-
99	Einsteinium-250	W, all compounds	4E+4 Bone surf (1E+3)	5E+2	2E-7	-	6E-4	6E-3
99	Einsteinium-251	W, all compounds	7E+3	9E+2 Bone surf (1E+3)	4E-7	-	1E-4	1E-3
99	Einsteinium-253	W, all compounds	2E+2	1E+0	6E-10	2E-12	2E-6	2E-5
99	Einsteinium-254m	W, all compounds	3E+2	1E+1	4E-9	1E-11	-	-
99	Einsteinium-254	W, all compounds	(3E+2) Bone surf (2E+1)	-	-	-	4E-6	4E-5
			8E+0 Bone surf (2E+1)	7E-2 Bone surf (1E-1)	3E-11	-	-	-
100	Fermium-252	W, all compounds	5E+2	1E+1	5E-9	2E-11	6E-6	6E-5
100	Fermium-253	W, all compounds	1E+3	1E+1	4E-9	1E-11	1E-5	1E-4
100	Fermium-254	W, all compounds	3E+3	9E+1	4E-8	1E-10	4E-5	4E-4
100	Fermium-255	W, all compounds	5E+2	2E+1	9E-9	3E-11	7E-6	7E-5
100	Fermium-257	W, all compounds	2E+1 Bone surf (4E+1)	2E-1 Bone surf (2E-1)	7E-11	-	-	-
101	Mendelevium-257	W, all compounds	7E+3	8E+1 Bone surf	4E-8	-	1E-4	1E-3

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		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 1	Col. 2	Monthly Average Concentration (μCi/ml)
		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi) DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
101	Mendelevium-258	W, all compounds	(9E+1)	-	1E-10	-	-
			3E+1	2E-1	1E-10	-	-
			Bone surf (5E+1)	Bone surf (3E-1)	-	5E-13	6E-7
							6E-6
		- Any single radionuclide not listed above with decay mode other than alpha emission or spontaneous fission and with radioactive half-life less than 2 hours Submersion <sup>1</sup>	-	2E+2	1E-7	1E-9	-
		- Any single radionuclide not listed above with decay mode other than alpha emission or spontaneous fission and with radioactive half-life greater than 2 hours	-	2E-1	1E-10	1E-12	1E-8
		- Any single radionuclide not listed above that decays by alpha emission or spontaneous fission, or any mixture for which either the identity or the concentration of any radio-nuclide in the mixture is not known	-	4E-4	2E-13	1E-15	2E-9
							2E-8

FOOTNOTES:

<sup>1</sup>“Submersion” means that values given are for submersion in a hemispherical semi-infinite cloud of airborne material.

<sup>2</sup>These radionuclides have radiological half-lives of less than 2 hours. The total effective dose equivalent received during operations with these radionuclides might include a significant contribution from external exposure. The DAC values for all radionuclides, other than those designated Class “Submersion,” are based upon the committed effective dose equivalent due to the intake of the radionuclide into the body and do NOT include potentially significant contributions to dose equivalent from external exposures. The licensee may substitute 1E-7 μCi/ml for the listed DAC to account for the submersion dose prospectively, but should use individual monitoring devices or other radiation measuring instruments that measure external exposure to demonstrate compliance with the limits. (see 40.17)

<sup>3</sup>For soluble mixtures of U-238, U-234, and U-235 in air, chemical toxicity may be the limiting factor (see 40.15(5)). If the percent by weight (enrichment) of U-235 is not greater than 5, the concentration value for a 40-hour workweek is 0.2 milligrams uranium per cubic meter of air average. For any enrichment, the product of the average concentration and time of exposure during a 40-hour workweek shall not exceed 8E-3 (SA) μCi-hr/ml, where SA is the specific activity of the uranium inhaled. The specific activity for natural uranium is 6.77E-7 curies per gram U. The specific activity for other mixtures of U-238, U-235, and U-234, if not known, shall be:

$$SA = 3.6E-7 \text{ curies/gram U U-depleted}$$

$$SA = [0.4 + 0.38 (\text{enrichment}) + 0.0034 (\text{enrichment})^2] E-6, \text{ enrichment} \geq 0.72$$

where enrichment is the percentage by weight of U-235, expressed as percent.

NOTE:

1. If the identity of each radionuclide in a mixture is known but the concentration of one or more of the radionuclides in the mixture is not known, the DAC for the mixture shall be the most restrictive DAC of any radionuclide in the mixture.

2. If the identity of each radionuclide in the mixture is not known, but it is known that certain radionuclides specified in this appendix are not present in the mixture, the inhalation ALI, DAC, and effluent and sewage concentrations for the mixture are the lowest values specified in this appendix for any radionuclide that is not known to be absent from the mixture; or

If it is known that Ac-227-D and Cm-250-W are not present

-	7E-4	3E-13	-	-	-
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If, in addition, it is known that Ac-227-W,Y, Th-229-W,Y, Th-230-W, Th-232-W,Y, Pa-231-W,Y, Np-237-W, Pu-239-W, Pu-240-W, Pu-242-W, Am-241-W, Am-242m-W, Am-243-W, Cm-245-W, Cm-246-W, Cm-247-W, Cm-248-W, Bk-247-W, Cf-249-W, and Cf-251-W are not present

-	7E-3	3E-12	-	-	-
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If, in addition, it is known that Sm-146-W, Sm-147-W, Gd-148-D,W, Gd-152-D,W, Th-228-W,Y, Th-230-Y, U-232-Y, U-233-Y, U-234-Y, U-235-Y, U-236-Y, U-238-Y, Np-236-W, Pu-236-W,Y, Pu-238-W,Y, Pu-239-Y, Pu-240-Y, Pu-242-Y, Pu-244-W,Y, Cm-243-W, Cm-244-W, Cf-248-W, Cf-249-Y, Cf-250-W,Y, Cf-251-Y, Cf-252-W,Y, and Cf-254-W,Y are not present

-	7E-2	3E-11	-	-	-
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		Oral Ingestion ALI (μCi)	INHALATION ALI (μCi) DAC (μCi/ml)		Air (μCi/ml)	Water (μCi/ml)	
If, in addition, it is known that Pb-210-D, Bi-210m-W, Po-210-D,W, Ra-223-W, Ra-225-W, Ra-226-W, Ac-225-D,W,Y, Th-227-W,Y, U-230-D,W,Y, U-232-D,W, Pu-241-W, Cm-240-W, Cm-242-W, Cf-248-Y, Es-254-W, Fm-257-W, and Md-258-W are not present							
		-	7E-1	3E-10	-	-	-
If, in addition, it is known that Si-32-Y, Ti-44-Y, Fe-60-D, Sr-90-Y, Zr-93-D,Cd-113m-D, Cd-113-D, In-115-D,W, La-138-D, Lu-176-W, Hf-178m-D,W, Hf-182-D,W, Bi-210m-D, Ra-224-W, Ra-228-W, Ac-226-D,W,Y, Pa-230-W,Y, U-233-D,W, U-234-D,W, U-235-D, W, U-236-D,W, U-238-D,W, Pu-241-Y, Bk-249-W, Cf-253-W,Y, and Es-253-W are not present							
		-	7E+0	3E-9	-	-	-
If it is known that Ac-227-D,W,Y, Th-229-W,Y, Th-232-W,Y, Pa-231-W, Y, Cm-248-W, and Cm-250-W are not present							
		-	-	-	-	1E-14	-
If, in addition, it is known that Sm-146-W, Gd-148-D,W, Gd-152-D, Th-228-W,Y, Th-230-W,Y, U-232-Y, U-233-Y, U-234-Y, U-235-Y, U-236-Y, U-238-Y, U-Nat-Y, Np-236-W, Np-237-W, Pu-236-W,Y, Pu-238-W,Y, Pu-239-W,Y, Pu-240-W,Y, Pu-242-W,Y, Pu-244-W,Y, Am-241-W, Am-242m-W, Am-243-W, Cm-243-W, Cm-244-W, Cm-245-W, Cm-246-W, Cm-247-W, Bk-247-W, Cf-249-W,Y, Cf-250-W,Y, Cf-251-W,Y, Cf-252-W,Y, and Cf-254-W,Y are not present							
		-	-	-	1E-13	-	-
If, in addition, it is known that Sm-147-W, Gd-152-W, Pb-210-D, Bi-210m-W, Po-210-D,W, Ra-223-W, Ra-225-W, Ra-226-W, Ac-225-D, W,Y, Th-227-W,Y, U-230-D,W,Y, U-232-D,W, U-Nat-W, Pu-241-W, Cm-240-W, Cm-242-W, Cf-248-W,Y, Es-254-W, Fm-257-W, and Md-258-W are not present							
		-	-	-	-	1E-12	-
If, in addition it is known that Fe-60, Sr-90, Cd-113m, Cd-113, In-115, I-129, Cs-134, Sm-145, Sm-147, Gd-148, Gd-152, Hg-194 (organic), Bi-210m, Ra-223, Ra-224, Ra-225, Ac-225, Th-228, Th-230, U-233, U-234, U-235, U-236, U-238, U-Nat, Cm-242, Cf-248, Es-254, Fm-257, and Md-258 are not present							
		-	-	-	-	1E-6	1E-5

3. If a mixture of radionuclides consists of uranium and its daughters in ore dust (10 μm AMAD particle distribution assumed) prior to chemical separation of the uranium from the ore, the following values may be used for the DAC of the mixture: 6E-11 μCi of gross alpha activity from uranium-238, uranium-234, thorium-230, and radium-226 per milliliter of air; 3E-11 μCi of natural uranium per milliliter of air; or 45 micrograms of natural uranium per cubic meter of air.

4. If the identity and concentration of each radionuclide in a mixture are known, the limiting values should be derived as follows: determine, for each radionuclide in the mixture, the ratio between the concentration present in the mixture and the concentration otherwise established in Appendix B, Chapter 40 for the specific radionuclide when not in a mixture. The sum of such ratios for all of the radionuclides in the mixture may not exceed "1" (i.e., "unity").

EXAMPLE: If radionuclides "A," "B," and "C" are present in concentrations C<sub>A</sub>, C<sub>B</sub>, and C<sub>C</sub>, and if the applicable DACs are DAC<sub>A</sub>, DAC<sub>B</sub>, and DAC<sub>C</sub>, respectively, then the concentrations shall be limited so that the following relationship exists:

$$\frac{C_A}{DAC_A} + \frac{C_B}{DAC_B} + \frac{C_C}{DAC_C} \leq 1$$

## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX C

QUANTITIES<sup>1</sup> OF LICENSED OR REGISTERED MATERIAL REQUIRING LABELING

Radionuclide	Quantity ( $\mu$ Ci)*	Radionuclide	Quantity ( $\mu$ Ci)*
Hydrogen-3	1,000	Chromium-48	1,000
Beryllium-7	1,000	Chromium-49	1,000
Beryllium-10	1	Chromium-51	1,000
Carbon-11	1,000	Manganese-51	1,000
Carbon-14	100	Manganese-52m	1,000
Fluorine-18	1,000	Manganese-52	100
Sodium-22	10	Manganese-53	1,000
Sodium-24	100	Manganese-54	100
Magnesium-28	100	Manganese-56	1,000
Aluminum-26	10	Iron-52	100
Silicon-31	1,000	Iron-55	100
Silicon-32	1	Iron-59	10
Phosphorus-32	10	Iron-60	1
Phosphorus-33	100	Cobalt-55	100
Sulfur-35	100	Cobalt-56	10
Chlorine-36	10	Cobalt-57	100
Chlorine-38	1,000	Cobalt-58m	1,000
Chlorine-39	1,000	Cobalt-58	100
Argon-39	1,000	Cobalt-60m	1,000
Argon-41	1,000	Cobalt-60	1
Potassium-40	100	Cobalt-61	1,000
Potassium-42	1,000	Cobalt-62m	1,000
Potassium-43	1,000	Nickel-56	100
Potassium-44	1,000	Nickel-57	100
Potassium-45	1,000	Nickel-59	100
Calcium-41	100	Nickel-63	100
Calcium-45	100	Nickel-65	1,000
Calcium-47	100	Nickel-66	10
Scandium-43	1,000	Copper-60	1,000
Scandium-44m	100	Copper-61	1,000
Scandium-44	100	Copper-64	1,000
Scandium-46	10	Copper-67	1,000
Scandium-47	100	Zinc-62	100
Scandium-48	100	Zinc-63	1,000
Scandium-49	1,000	Zinc-65	10
Titanium-44	1	Zinc-69m	100

Titanium-45	1,000	Zinc-69	1,000
Vanadium-47	1,000	Zinc-71m	1,000
Vanadium-48	100	Zinc-72	100
Vanadium-49	1,000	Gallium-65	1,000
Gallium-66	100	Krypton-81	1,000
Gallium-67	1,000	Krypton-83m	1,000
Gallium-68	1,000	Krypton-85m	1,000
Gallium-70	1,000	Krypton-85	1,000
Gallium-72	100	Krypton-87	1,000
Gallium-73	1,000	Krypton-88	1,000
Germanium-66	1,000	Rubidium-79	1,000
Germanium-67	1,000	Rubidium-81m	1,000
Germanium-68	10	Rubidium-81	1,000
Germanium-69	1,000	Rubidium-82m	1,000
Germanium-71	1,000	Rubidium-83	100
Germanium-75	1,000	Rubidium-84	100
Germanium-77	1,000	Rubidium-86	100
Germanium-78	1,000	Rubidium-87	100
Arsenic-69	1,000	Rubidium-88	1,000
Arsenic-70	1,000	Rubidium-89	1,000
Arsenic-71	100	Strontium-80	100
Arsenic-72	100	Strontium-81	1,000
Arsenic-73	100	Strontium-83	100
Arsenic-74	100	Strontium-85m	1,000
Arsenic-76	100	Strontium-85	100
Arsenic-77	100	Strontium-87m	1,000
Arsenic-78	1,000	Strontium-89	10
Selenium-70	1,000	Strontium-90	0.1
Selenium-73m	1,000	Strontium-91	100
Selenium-73	100	Strontium-92	100
Selenium-75	100	Yttrium-86m	1,000
Selenium-79	100	Yttrium-86	100
Selenium-81m	1,000	Yttrium-87	100
Selenium-81	1,000	Yttrium-88	10
Selenium-83	1,000	Yttrium-90m	1,000
Bromine-74m	1,000	Yttrium-90	10
Bromine-74	1,000	Yttrium-91m	1,000
Bromine-75	1,000	Yttrium-91	10
Bromine-76	100	Yttrium-92	100
Bromine-77	1,000	Yttrium-93	100
Bromine-80m	1,000	Yttrium-94	1,000

Bromine-80	1,000	Yttrium-95	1,000
Bromine-82	100	Zirconium-86	100
Bromine-83	1,000	Zirconium-88	10
Bromine-84	1,000	Zirconium-89	100
Krypton-74	1,000	Zirconium-93	1
Krypton-76	1,000	Zirconium-95	10
Krypton-77	1,000	Zirconium-97	100
Krypton-79	1,000		
Niobium-88	1,000	Palladium-101	1,000
Niobium-89m		Palladium-103	100
(66 min)	1,000	Palladium-107	10
Niobium-89		Palladium-109	100
(122 min)	1,000	Silver-102	1,000
Niobium-90	100	Silver-103	1,000
Niobium-93m	10	Silver-104m	1,000
Niobium-94	1	Silver-104	1,000
Niobium-95m	100	Silver-105	100
Niobium-95	100	Silver-106m	100
Niobium-96	100	Silver-106	1,000
Niobium-97	1,000	Silver-108m	1
Niobium-98	1,000	Silver-110m	10
Molybdenum-90	100	Silver-111	100
Molybdenum-93m	100	Silver-112	100
Molybdenum-93	10	Silver-115	1,000
Molybdenum-99	100	Cadmium-104	1,000
Molybdenum-101	1,000	Cadmium-107	1,000
Technetium-93m	1,000	Cadmium-109	1
Technetium-93	1,000	Cadmium-113m	0.1
Technetium-94m	1,000	Cadmium-113	100
Technetium-94	1,000	Cadmium-115m	10
Technetium-96m	1,000	Cadmium-115	100
Technetium-96	100	Cadmium-117m	1,000
Technetium-97m	100	Cadmium-117	1,000
Technetium-97	1,000	Indium-109	1,000
Technetium-98	10	Indium-110m	
Technetium-99m	1,000	(69.1m)	1,000
Technetium-99	100	Indium-110	
Technetium-101	1,000	(4.9h)	1,000
Technetium-104	1,000	Indium-111	100
Ruthenium-94	1,000	Indium-112	1,000
Ruthenium-97	1,000	Indium-113m	1,000

Ruthenium-103	100	Indium-114m	10
Ruthenium-105	1,000	Indium-115m	1,000
Ruthenium-106	1	Indium-115	100
Rhodium-99m	1,000	Indium-116m	1,000
Rhodium-99	100	Indium-117m	1,000
Rhodium-100	100	Indium-117	1,000
Rhodium-101m	1,000	Indium-119m	1,000
Rhodium-101	10	Tin-110	100
Rhodium-102m	10	Tin-111	1,000
Rhodium-102	10	Tin-113	100
Rhodium-103m	1,000	Tin-117m	100
Rhodium-105	100	Tin-119m	100
Rhodium-106m	1,000	Tin-121m	100
Rhodium-107	1,000	Tin-121	1,000
Palladium-100	100		
Tin-123m	1,000	Tellurium-133	1,000
Tin-123	10	Tellurium-134	1,000
Tin-125	10	Iodine-120m	1,000
Tin-126	10	Iodine-120	100
Tin-127	1,000	Iodine-121	1,000
Tin-128	1,000	Iodine-123	100
Antimony-115	1,000	Iodine-124	10
Antimony-116m	1,000	Iodine-125	1
Antimony-116	1,000	Iodine-126	1
Antimony-117	1,000	Iodine-128	1,000
Antimony-118m	1,000	Iodine-129	1
Antimony-119	1,000	Iodine-130	10
Antimony-120		Iodine-131	1
(16m)	1,000	Iodine-132m	100
Antimony-120		Iodine-132	100
(5.76d)	100	Iodine-133	10
Antimony-122	100	Iodine-134	1,000
Antimony-124m	1,000	Iodine-135	100
Antimony-124	10	Xenon-120	1,000
Antimony-125	100	Xenon-121	1,000
Antimony-126m	1,000	Xenon-122	1,000
Antimony-126	100	Xenon-123	1,000
Antimony-127	100	Xenon-125	1,000
Antimony-128		Xenon-127	1,000
(10.4m)	1,000	Xenon-129m	1,000
Antimony-128		Xenon-131m	1,000



(9.01h)	100	Xenon-133m	1,000
Antimony-129	100	Xenon-133	1,000
Antimony-130	1,000	Xenon-135m	1,000
Antimony-131	1,000	Xenon-135	1,000
Tellurium-116	1,000	Xenon-138	1,000
Tellurium-121m	10	Cesium-125	1,000
Tellurium-121	100	Cesium-127	1,000
Tellurium-123m	10	Cesium-129	1,000
Tellurium-123	100	Cesium-130	1,000
Tellurium-125m	10	Cesium-131	1,000
Tellurium-127m	10	Cesium-132	100
Tellurium-127	1,000	Cesium-134m	1,000
Tellurium-129m	10	Cesium-134	10
Tellurium-129	1,000	Cesium-135m	1,000
Tellurium-131m	10	Cesium-135	100
Tellurium-131	100	Cesium-136	10
Tellurium-132	10	Cesium-137	10
Tellurium-133m	100	Cesium-138	1,000
Barium-126	1,000	Promethium-141	1,000
Barium-128	100	Promethium-143	100
Barium-131m	1,000	Promethium-144	10
Barium-131	100	Promethium-145	10
Barium-133m	100	Promethium-146	1
Barium-133	100	Promethium-147	10
Barium-135m	100	Promethium-148m	10
Barium-139	1,000	Promethium-148	10
Barium-140	100	Promethium-149	100
Barium-141	1,000	Promethium-150	1,000
Barium-142	1,000	Promethium-151	100
Lanthanum-131	1,000	Samarium-141m	1,000
Lanthanum-132	100	Samarium-141	1,000
Lanthanum-135	1,000	Samarium-142	1,000
Lanthanum-137	10	Samarium-145	100
Lanthanum-138	100	Samarium-146	1
Lanthanum-140	100	Samarium-147	100
Lanthanum-141	100	Samarium-151	10
Lanthanum-142	1,000	Samarium-153	100
Lanthanum-143	1,000	Samarium-155	1,000
Cerium-134	100	Samarium-156	1,000
Cerium-135	100	Europium-145	100
Cerium-137m	100	Europium-146	100
Cerium-137	1,000	Europium-147	100

Cerium-139	100	Europium-148	10
Cerium-141	100	Europium-149	100
Cerium-143	100	Europium-150	
Cerium-144	1	(12.62h)	100
Praseodymium-136	1,000	Europium-150	
Praseodymium-137	1,000	(34.2y)	1
Praseodymium-138m	1,000	Europium-152m	100
Praseodymium-139	1,000	Europium-152	1
Praseodymium-142m	1,000	Europium-154	1
Praseodymium-142	100	Europium-155	10
Praseodymium-143	100	Europium-156	100
Praseodymium-144	1,000	Europium-157	100
Praseodymium-145	100	Europium-158	1,000
Praseodymium-147	1,000	Gadolinium-145	1,000
Neodymium-136	1,000	Gadolinium-146	10
Neodymium-138	100	Gadolinium-147	100
Neodymium-139m	1,000	Gadolinium-148	0.001
Neodymium-139	1,000	Gadolinium-149	100
Neodymium-141	1,000	Gadolinium-151	10
Neodymium-147	100	Gadolinium-152	100
Neodymium-149	1,000	Gadolinium-153	10
Neodymium-151	1,000	Gadolinium-159	100
Terbium-147	1,000	Ytterbium-162	1,000
Terbium-149	100	Ytterbium-166	100
Terbium-150	1,000	Ytterbium-167	1,000
Terbium-151	100	Ytterbium-169	100
Terbium-153	1,000	Ytterbium-175	100
Terbium-154	100	Ytterbium-177	1,000
Terbium-155	1,000	Ytterbium-178	1,000
Terbium-156m		Lutetium-169	100
(5.0h)	1,000	Lutetium-170	100
Terbium-156m		Lutetium-171	100
(24.4h)	1,000	Lutetium-172	100
Terbium-156	100	Lutetium-173	10
Terbium-157	10	Lutetium-174m	10
Terbium-158	1	Lutetium-174	10
Terbium-160	10	Lutetium-176m	1,000
Terbium-161	100	Lutetium-176	100
Dysprosium-155	1,000	Lutetium-177m	10
Dysprosium-157	1,000	Lutetium-177	100
Dysprosium-159	100	Lutetium-178m	1,000
Dysprosium-165	1,000	Lutetium-178	1,000

Dysprosium-166	100	Lutetium-179	1,000
Holmium-155	1,000	Hafnium-170	100
Holmium-157	1,000	Hafnium-172	1
Holmium-159	1,000	Hafnium-173	1,000
Holmium-161	1,000	Hafnium-175	100
Holmium-162m	1,000	Hafnium-177m	1,000
Holmium-162	1,000	Hafnium-178m	0.1
Holmium-164m	1,000	Hafnium-179m	10
Holmium-164	1,000	Hafnium-180m	1,000
Holmium-166m	1	Hafnium-181	10
Holmium-166	100	Hafnium-182m	1,000
Holmium-167	1,000	Hafnium-182	0.1
Erbium-161	1,000	Hafnium-183	1,000
Erbium-165	1,000	Hafnium-184	100
Erbium-169	100	Tantalum-172	1,000
Erbium-171	100	Tantalum-173	1,000
Erbium-172	100	Tantalum-174	1,000
Thulium-162	1,000	Tantalum-175	1,000
Thulium-166	100	Tantalum-176	100
Thulium-167	100	Tantalum-177	1,000
Thulium-170	10	Tantalum-178	1,000
Thulium-171	10	Tantalum-179	100
Thulium-172	100	Tantalum-180m	1,000
Thulium-173	100	Tantalum-180	100
Thulium-175	1,000	Tantalum-182m	1,000
Tantalum-182	10	Iridium-188	100
Tantalum-183	100	Iridium-189	100
Tantalum-184	100	Iridium-190m	1,000
Tantalum-185	1,000	Iridium-190	100
Tantalum-186	1,000	Iridium-192m	
Tungsten-176	1,000	(1.4m)	10
Tungsten-177	1,000	Iridium-192	
Tungsten-178	1,000	(73.8d)	1
Tungsten-179	1,000	Iridium-194m	10
Tungsten-181	1,000	Iridium-194	100
Tungsten-185	100	Iridium-195m	1,000
Tungsten-187	100	Iridium-195	1,000
Tungsten-188	10	Platinum-186	1,000
Rhenium-177	1,000	Platinum-188	100
Rhenium-178	1,000	Platinum-189	1,000
Rhenium-181	1,000	Platinum-191	100
Rhenium-182		Platinum-193m	100

(12.7h)	1,000	Platinum-193	1,000
Rhenium-182		Platinum-195m	100
(64.0h)	100	Platinum-197m	1,000
Rhenium-184m	10	Platinum-197	100
Rhenium-184	100	Platinum-199	1,000
Rhenium-186m	10	Platinum-200	100
Rhenium-186	100	Gold-193	1,000
Rhenium-187	1,000	Gold-194	100
Rhenium-188m	1,000	Gold-195	10
Rhenium-188	100	Gold-198m	100
Rhenium-189	100	Gold-198	100
Osmium-180	1,000	Gold-199	100
Osmium-181	1,000	Gold-200m	100
Osmium-182	100	Gold-200	1,000
Osmium-185	100	Gold-201	1,000
Osmium-189m	1,000	Mercury-193m	100
Osmium-191m	1,000	Mercury-193	1,000
Osmium-191	100	Mercury-194	1
Osmium-193	100	Mercury-195m	100
Osmium-194	1	Mercury-195	1,000
Iridium-182	1,000	Mercury-197m	100
Iridium-184	1,000	Mercury-197	1,000
Iridium-185	1,000	Mercury-199m	1,000
Iridium-186	100	Mercury-203	100
Iridium-187	1,000		
Thallium-194m	1,000	Francium-223	100
Thallium-194	1,000	Radium-223	0.1
Thallium-195	1,000	Radium-224	0.1
Thallium-197	1,000	Radium-225	0.1
Thallium-198m	1,000	Radium-226	0.1
Thallium-198	1,000	Radium-227	1,000
Thallium-199	1,000	Radium-228	0.1
Thallium-200	1,000	Actinium-224	1
Thallium-201	1,000	Actinium-225	0.01
Thallium-202	100	Actinium-226	0.1
Thallium-204	100	Actinium-227	0.001
Lead-195m	1,000	Actinium-228	1
Lead-198	1,000	Thorium-226	10
Lead-199	1,000	Thorium-227	0.01
Lead-200	100	Thorium-228	0.001
Lead-201	1,000	Thorium-229	0.001
Lead-202m	1,000	Thorium-230	0.001

Lead-202	10	Thorium-231	100
Lead-203	1,000	Thorium-232	100
Lead-205	100	Thorium-234	10
Lead-209	1,000	Thorium-natural	100
Lead-210	0.01	Protactinium-227	10
Lead-211	100	Protactinium-228	1
Lead-212	1	Protactinium-230	0.1
Lead-214	100	Protactinium-231	0.001
Bismuth-200	1,000	Protactinium-232	1
Bismuth-201	1,000	Protactinium-233	100
Bismuth-202	1,000	Protactinium-234	100
Bismuth-203	100	Uranium-230	0.01
Bismuth-205	100	Uranium-231	100
Bismuth-206	100	Uranium-232	0.001
Bismuth-207	10	Uranium-233	0.001
Bismuth-210m	0.1	Uranium-234	0.001
Bismuth-210	1	Uranium-235	0.001
Bismuth-212	10	Uranium-236	0.001
Bismuth-213	10	Uranium-237	100
Bismuth-214	100	Uranium-238	100
Polonium-203	1,000	Uranium-239	1,000
Polonium-205	1,000	Uranium-240	100
Polonium-207	1,000	Uranium-natural	100
Polonium-210	0.1	Neptunium-232	100
Astatine-207	100	Neptunium-233	1,000
Astatine-211	10	Neptunium-234	100
Radon-220	1	Neptunium-235	100
Radon-222	1	Neptunium-236	
Francium-222	100	(1.15E+5)	0.001
Neptunium-236 (22.5h)	1	Curium-242	0.01
Neptunium-237	0.001	Curium-243	0.001
Neptunium-238	10	Curium-244	0.001
Neptunium-239	100	Curium-245	0.001
Neptunium-240	1,000	Curium-246	0.001
Plutonium-234	10	Curium-247	0.001
Plutonium-235	1,000	Curium-248	0.001
Plutonium-236	0.001	Curium-249	1,000
Plutonium-237	100	Berkelium-245	100
Plutonium-238	0.001	Berkelium-246	100
Plutonium-239	0.001	Berkelium-247	0.001
		Berkelium-249	0.1

Plutonium-240	0.001	Berkelium-250	10
Plutonium-241	0.01	Californium-244	100
Plutonium-242	0.001	Californium-246	1
Plutonium-243	1,000	Californium-248	0.01
Plutonium-244	0.001	Californium-249	0.001
Plutonium-245	100	Californium-250	0.001
Americium-237	1,000	Californium-251	0.001
Americium-238	100	Californium-252	0.001
Americium-239	1,000	Californium-253	0.1
Americium-240	100	Californium-254	0.001
Americium-241	0.001	Einsteinium-250	100
Americium-242m	0.001	Einsteinium-251	100
Americium-242	10	Einsteinium-253	0.1
Americium-243	0.001	Einsteinium-254m	1
Americium-244m	100	Einsteinium-254	0.01
Americium-244	10	Fermium-252	1
Americium-245	1,000	Fermium-253	1
Americium-246m	1,000	Fermium-254	10
Americium-246	1,000	Fermium-255	1
Curium-238	100	Fermium-257	0.01
Curium-240	0.1	Mendelevium-257	10
Curium-241	1	Mendelevium-258	0.01
Any alpha-emitting radionuclide not listed above or mixtures of alpha emitters of unknown composition	0.001	Any radionuclide other than alpha-emitting radionuclides not listed above, or mixtures of beta emitters of unknown composition	0.01

\*To convert  $\mu\text{Ci}$  to  $\text{kBq}$ , multiply the  $\mu\text{Ci}$  value by 37.

<sup>1</sup>The quantities listed above were derived by taking 1/10th of the most restrictive ALI listed in Table I, Columns 1 and 2, of Appendix B to this chapter, rounding to the nearest factor of 10, and constraining the values listed between 37 Bq and 37 MBq (0.001 and 1,000  $\mu\text{Ci}$ ). Values of 3.7 MBq (100  $\mu\text{Ci}$ ) have been assigned for radionuclides having a radioactive half-life in excess of E+9 years, except rhenium, 37 MBq (1,000  $\mu\text{Ci}$ ), to take into account their low specific activity.

NOTE: For purposes of 40.61(5), 40.64(1), and 40.95(1) where there is involved a combination of radionuclides in known amounts, the limit for the combination shall be derived as follows: determine, for each radionuclide in the combination, the ratio between the quantity present in the combination and the limit otherwise established for the specific radionuclide when not in combination. The sum of such ratios for all radionuclides in the combination may not exceed "1"—that is, unity.

## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX D

## REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFERS AND MANIFESTS OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE INTENDED FOR DISPOSAL AT LICENSED LAND DISPOSAL FACILITIES

As used in this appendix, the following definitions apply:

“Chelating agent” means amine polycarboxylic acids (e.g., EDTA, DTPA), hydroxy-carboxylic acids, and polycarboxylic acids (e.g., citric acid, carboic acid, and glucinic acid).

“Chemical description” means a description of the principal chemical characteristics of a low-level radioactive waste.

“Computer-readable medium” means that the regulatory agency’s computer can transfer the information from the medium into its memory.

“Consignee” means the designated receiver of the shipment of low-level radioactive waste.

“Decontamination facility” means a facility operating under an Agreement State or Nuclear Regulatory Commission license whose principal purpose is decontamination of equipment or materials to accomplish recycle, reuse, or other waste management objectives and, for purposes of this appendix, is not considered to be a consignee for LLW shipments.

“Disposal container” means a container principally used to confine low-level radioactive waste during disposal operations at a land disposal facility (also see “high integrity container”). Note that for some shipments, the disposal container may be the transport package.

“EPA identification number” means the number received by a transporter following application to the administrator of EPA as required by 40 CFR Part 263.

“Forms 540, 540A, 541, 541A, 542, and 542A” are official forms referenced in this appendix. Licensees need not use originals of these forms as long as any substitute forms are equivalent to the original documentation in respect to content, clarity, size, and location of information. Upon agreement between the shipper and consignee, Forms 541 (and 541A) and Forms 542 (and 542A) may be completed, transmitted, and stored in electronic media. The electronic media must have the capability for producing legible, accurate, and complete records in the format of the uniform manifest.

“Generator” means a licensee operating under an Agreement State or Nuclear Regulatory Commission license who (1) is a waste generator as defined in this rule, or (2) is the licensee to whom waste can be attributed within the context of the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1985 (e.g., waste generated as a result of decontamination or recycle activities).

“High integrity container (HIC)” means a container commonly designed to meet the structural stability requirements of 10 CFR 61.56, and to meet United States Department of Transportation requirements for a Type A package.

“Land disposal facility” means the land, buildings and structures, and equipment which are intended to be used for the disposal of radioactive wastes. For purposes of this appendix, a “geologic repository” as defined in 10 CFR Part 60 is not considered a land disposal facility.

“Package” means the assembly of components necessary to ensure compliance with the packaging requirements of United States Department of Transportation regulations, together with its radioactive contents, as presented for transport.

“Physical description” means the items called for on Form 541 to describe a low-level radioactive waste.

“Residual waste” means low-level radioactive waste resulting from processing or decontamination activities that cannot be easily separated into distinct batches attributable to specific waste generators. This waste is attributable to the processor or decontamination facility, as applicable.

“Shipper” means the licensed entity (i.e., the waste generator, waste collector, or waste processor) who offers low-level radioactive waste for transportation, typically consigning this type of waste to a licensed waste collector, waste processor, or land disposal facility operator.

“Shipping paper” means Form 540 and, if required, Form 540A which includes the information required by United States Department of Transportation in 49 CFR Part 172.

“Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest” or “uniform manifest” means the combination of Forms 540, 541 and, if necessary, 542, and their respective continuation sheets as needed, or equivalent.

“Waste collector” means an entity, operating under an Agreement State or Nuclear Regulatory Commission license, whose principal purpose is to collect and consolidate waste generated by others, and to transfer this waste, without processing or repackaging the collected waste, to another licensed waste collector, licensed waste processor, or licensed land disposal facility.

“Waste description” means the physical, chemical and radiological description of a low-level radioactive waste as called for on Form 541.

“Waste generator” means an entity, operating under an Agreement State or Nuclear Regulatory Commission license, who (1) possesses any material or component that contains radioactivity or is radioactively contaminated for which the licensee foresees no further use, and (2) transfers this material or component to a licensed land disposal facility or to a licensed waste collector or processor for handling or treatment prior to disposal. A licensee performing processing or decontamination services may be a “waste generator” if the transfer of low-level radioactive waste from its facility is defined as “residual waste.”

“Waste processor” means an entity, operating under an Agreement State or Nuclear Regulatory Commission license, whose principal purpose is to process, repackage, or otherwise treat low-level radioactive material or waste generated by others prior to eventual transfer of waste to a licensed low-level radioactive waste land disposal facility.

“Waste type” means a waste within a disposal container having a unique physical description (i.e., a specific waste descriptor code or description; or a waste sorbed on or solidified in a specifically defined media).

#### I. Manifest

A waste generator, collector, or processor who transports, or offers for transportation, low-level radioactive waste intended for ultimate disposal at a licensed low-level radioactive waste land disposal facility must prepare a manifest reflecting information requested on applicable Forms 540 (Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest (Shipping Paper)) and 541 (Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest (Container and Waste Description)) and, if necessary, on an applicable Form 542 (Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest (Manifest Index and Regional Compact Tabulation)). Forms 540 and 540A must be completed and must physically accompany the pertinent low-level waste shipment. Upon agreement between shipper and consignee, Forms 541 and 541A and 542 and 542A may be completed, transmitted, and stored in electronic media with the capability for producing legible, accurate, and complete records on the respective forms. Licensees are not required by this agency to comply with the manifesting requirements of this part when they ship:

(a) LLW for processing and expect its return (i.e., for storage under their license) prior to disposal at a licensed land disposal facility;

(b) LLW that is being returned to the licensee who is the “waste generator” or “generator,” as defined in this part; or

(c) Radioactively contaminated material to a “waste processor” that becomes the processor’s “residual waste.”

For guidance in completing these forms, refer to the instructions that accompany the forms. Copies of manifests required by this appendix may be legible carbon copies, photocopies, or computer printouts that reproduce the data in the format of the uniform manifest.

NRC Forms 540, 540A, 541, 541A, 542, and 542A, and the accompanying instructions, in hard copy, may be obtained by writing or calling the Office of Information Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0111, telephone (301) 415-5877 or by visiting the NRC’s Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov> and selecting forms from the index found on the home page.

This appendix includes information requirements of the United States Department of Transportation, as codified in 49 CFR Part 172. Information on hazardous, medical, or other waste required to meet Environmental Protection Agency regulations, as codified in 40 CFR Parts 259, 261, or elsewhere, is not addressed in this section, and must be provided on the required EPA forms. However, the required EPA forms must accompany the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest required by this chapter.



### Information Requirements

#### A. General Information

The shipper of the radioactive waste shall provide the following information on the uniform manifest:

1. The name, facility's address, and telephone number of the licensee shipping the waste;
2. An explicit declaration indicating whether the shipper is acting as a waste generator, collector, processor, or a combination of these identifiers for purposes of the manifested shipment; and
3. The name, address, and telephone number, or the name and EPA identification number, for the carrier transporting the waste.

#### B. Shipment Information

The shipper of the radioactive waste shall provide the following information regarding the waste shipment on the uniform manifest:

1. The date of the waste shipment;
2. The total number of packages/disposal containers;
3. The total disposal volume and disposal weight in the shipment;
4. The total radionuclide activity in the shipment;
5. The activity of each of the radionuclides, H-3, C-14, Tc-99, and I-129 contained in the shipment; and
6. The total masses of U-233, U-235, and plutonium in special nuclear material, and the total mass of uranium and thorium in source material.

#### C. Disposal Container and Waste Information

The shipper of the radioactive waste shall provide the following information on the uniform manifest regarding the waste and each disposal container of waste in the shipment:

1. An alphabetic or numeric identification that uniquely identifies each disposal container in the shipment;
2. A physical description of the disposal container, including the manufacturer and model of any high integrity container;
3. The volume displaced by the disposal container;
4. The gross weight of the disposal container, including the waste;
5. For waste consigned to a disposal facility, the maximum radiation level at the surface of each disposal container;
6. A physical and chemical description of the waste;
7. The total weight percentage of chelating agent for any waste containing more than 0.1 percent chelating agent by weight, plus the identity of the principal chelating agent;
8. The approximate volume of waste within a container;
9. The sorbing or solidification media, if any, and the identity of the solidification media vendor and brand name;
10. The identities and activities of individual radionuclides contained in each container, the masses of U-233, U-235, and plutonium in special nuclear material, and the masses of uranium and thorium in source material. For discrete waste types (i.e., activated materials, contaminated equipment, mechanical filters, sealed source/devices, and wastes in solidification/stabilization media), the identities and activities of individual radionuclides associated with or contained in these waste types within a disposal container shall be reported;
11. The total radioactivity within each container; and
12. For wastes consigned to a disposal facility, the classification of the waste pursuant to 10 CFR 61.55. Waste not meeting the structural stability requirements of 10 CFR 61.56(b) must be identified.

#### D. Uncontainerized Waste Information

The shipper of the radioactive waste shall provide the following information on the uniform manifest regarding a waste shipment delivered without a disposal container:

1. The approximate volume and weight of the waste;
2. A physical and chemical description of the waste;
3. The total weight percentage of chelating agent if the chelating agent exceeds 0.1 percent by weight, plus the identity of the principal chelating agent;

4. For waste consigned to a disposal facility, the classification of the waste pursuant to 10 CFR 61.55. Waste not meeting the structural stability requirements of 10 CFR 61.56(b) must be identified;

5. The identities and activities of individual radionuclides contained in the waste, the masses of U-233, U-235, and plutonium in special nuclear material, and the masses of uranium and thorium in source material; and

6. For wastes consigned to a disposal facility, the maximum radiation levels at the surface of the waste.

#### E. Multigenerator Disposal Container Information

This section applies to disposal containers enclosing mixtures of waste originating from different generators. (Note: The origin of the LLW resulting from a processor's activities may be attributable to one or more "generators" (including "waste generators") as defined in this appendix.) It also applies to mixtures of wastes shipped in an uncontainerized form, for which portions of the mixture within the shipment originate from different generators.

1. For homogeneous mixtures of waste, such as incinerator ash, provide the waste description applicable to the mixture and the volume of the waste attributed to each generator.

2. For heterogeneous mixtures of waste, such as the combined products from a large compactor, identify each generator contributing waste to the disposal container and, for discrete waste types (i.e., activated materials, contaminated equipment, mechanical filters, sealed source/devices, and wastes in solidification/stabilization media), the identities and activities of individual radionuclides contained in these waste types within the disposal container. For each generator, provide the following:

(a) The volume of waste within the disposal container;

(b) A physical and chemical description of the waste, including the solidification agent, if any;

(c) The total weight percentage of chelating agents for any disposal container containing more than 0.1 percent chelating agent by weight, plus the identity of the principal chelating agent;

(d) The sorbing or solidification media, if any, and the identity of the solidification media vendor and brand name if the media is claimed to meet stability requirements in 10 CFR 61.56(b); and

(e) Radionuclide identities and activities contained in the waste, the masses of U-233, U-235, and plutonium in special nuclear material, and the masses of uranium and thorium in source material if contained in the waste.

#### II. Certification

An authorized representative of the waste generator, processor, or collector shall certify by signing and dating the shipment manifest that the transported materials are properly classified, described, packaged, marked, and labeled and are in proper condition for transportation according to the applicable regulations of the United States Department of Transportation and this agency. A collector in signing the certification is certifying that nothing has been done to the collected waste that would invalidate the waste generator's certification.

#### III. Control and Tracking

A. Any licensee who transfers radioactive waste to a land disposal facility or a licensed waste collector shall comply with the requirements in paragraphs A.1. through A.9. of this appendix. Any licensee who transfers waste to a licensed waste processor for waste treatment or repackaging shall comply with the requirements of paragraphs A.4. through A.9. of this appendix. A licensee shall:

1. Prepare all wastes so that the waste is classified according to 10 CFR 61.55 and meets the waste characteristics requirements in 10 CFR 61.56;

2. Label each disposal container (or transport package if potential radiation hazards preclude labeling of the individual disposal container) of waste to identify whether it is Class A waste, Class B waste, Class C waste, or greater than Class C waste, in accordance with 10 CFR 61.55;

3. Conduct a quality assurance program to ensure compliance with 10 CFR 61.55 and 61.56 (the program must include management evaluation of audits);

4. Prepare the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest as required by this appendix;

5. Forward a copy or electronically transfer the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest to the intended consignee so that either (1) receipt of the manifest precedes the LLW shipment or (2) the

manifest is delivered to the consignee with the waste at the time the waste is transferred to the consignee. Using both (1) and (2) is also acceptable;

6. Include Form 540 (and Form 540A, if required) with the shipment regardless of the option chosen in paragraph A.5. of this section;

7. Receive acknowledgment of the receipt of the shipment in the form of a signed copy of Form 540;

8. Retain a copy of or electronically store the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and documentation of acknowledgment of receipt as the record of transfer of licensed material as required by 641—subrule 39.4(41); and

9. For any shipments or any part of a shipment for which acknowledgment of receipt has not been received within the times set forth in this appendix, conduct an investigation in accordance with paragraph E of this appendix.

B. Any waste collector licensee who handles only prepackaged waste shall:

1. Acknowledge receipt of the waste from the shipper within one week of receipt by returning a signed copy of Form 540;

2. Prepare a new manifest to reflect consolidated shipments that meet the requirements of this appendix. The waste collector shall ensure that, for each container of waste in the shipment, the manifest identifies the generator of that container of waste;

3. Forward a copy or electronically transfer the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest to the intended consignee so that either: (1) receipt of the manifest precedes the LLW shipment or (2) the manifest is delivered to the consignee with the waste at the time the waste is transferred to the consignee. Using both (1) and (2) is also acceptable;

4. Include Form 540 (and Form 540A, if required) with the shipment regardless of the option chosen in paragraph B.3. of this section;

5. Receive acknowledgment of the receipt of the shipment in the form of a signed copy of Form 540;

6. Retain a copy of or electronically store the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and documentation of acknowledgment of receipt as the record of transfer of licensed material as required by 641—subrule 39.4(41);

7. For any shipments or any part of a shipment for which acknowledgment of receipt has not been received within the times set forth in this appendix, conduct an investigation in accordance with paragraph E of this appendix; and

8. Notify the shipper and this agency when any shipment, or part of a shipment, has not arrived within 60 days after receipt of an advance manifest, unless notified by the shipper that the shipment has been canceled.

C. Any licensed waste processor who treats or repackages waste shall:

1. Acknowledge receipt of the waste from the shipper within one week of receipt by returning a signed copy of Form 540;

2. Prepare a new manifest that meets the requirements of this appendix. Preparation of the new manifest reflects that the processor is responsible for meeting these requirements. For each container of waste in the shipment, the manifest shall identify the waste generators, the preprocessed waste volume, and the other information as required in paragraph E.1. of this appendix;

3. Prepare all wastes so that the waste is classified according to 10 CFR 61.55 and meets the waste characteristics requirements in 10 CFR 61.56;

4. Label each package of waste to identify whether it is Class A waste, Class B waste, or Class C waste, in accordance with 10 CFR 61.55 and 61.57;

5. Conduct a quality assurance program to ensure compliance with 10 CFR 61.55 and 61.56 (the program shall include management evaluation of audits);

6. Forward a copy or electronically transfer the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest to the intended consignee so that either (1) receipt of the manifest precedes the LLW shipment or (2) the manifest is delivered to the consignee with the waste at the time the waste is transferred to the consignee. Using both (1) and (2) is also acceptable;

7. Include Form 540 (and Form 540A, if required) with the shipment regardless of the option chosen in paragraph C.6. of this section;
8. Receive acknowledgment of the receipt of the shipment in the form of a signed copy of Form 540;
9. Retain a copy of or electronically store the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and documentation of acknowledgment of receipt as the record of transfer of licensed material as required by 641—subrule 39.4(41);
10. For any shipment or any part of a shipment for which acknowledgment of receipt has not been received within the times set forth in this appendix, conduct an investigation in accordance with paragraph E of this appendix; and
11. Notify the shipper and this agency of any shipment, or part of a shipment, that has not arrived within 60 days after receipt of an advance manifest, unless notified by the shipper that the shipment has been canceled.
  - D. The land disposal facility operator shall:
    1. Acknowledge receipt of the waste within one week of receipt by returning, as a minimum, a signed copy of Form 540 to the shipper. The shipper to be notified is the licensee who last possessed the waste and transferred the waste to the operator. If any discrepancy exists between materials listed on the Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and materials received, copies or electronic transfer of the affected forms must be returned indicating the discrepancy;
    2. Maintain copies of all completed manifests and electronically store the information required by 10 CFR 61.80(l) until the license is terminated; and
    3. Notify the shipper and this agency when any shipment, or part of a shipment, has not arrived within 60 days after receipt of an advance manifest, unless notified by the shipper that the shipment has been canceled.
  - E. Any shipment or part of a shipment for which acknowledgment is not received within the times set forth in this section must:
    1. Be investigated by the shipper if the shipper has not received notification or receipt within 20 days after transfer; and
    2. Be traced and reported. The investigation shall include tracing the shipment and filing a report with this agency. Each licensee who conducts a trace investigation shall file a written report with this agency within two weeks of completion of the investigation.

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## APPENDIX E

CLASSIFICATION AND CHARACTERISTICS OF LOW-LEVEL  
RADIOACTIVE WASTE

## I. Classification of Radioactive Waste for Land Disposal

a) Considerations. Determination of the classification of radioactive waste involves two considerations. First, consideration must be given to the concentration of long-lived radionuclides (and their shorter-lived precursors) whose potential hazard will persist long after such precautions as institutional controls, improved waste form, and deeper disposal have ceased to be effective. These precautions delay the time when long-lived radionuclides could cause exposures. In addition, the magnitude of the potential dose is limited by the concentration and availability of the radionuclide at the time of exposure. Second, consideration must be given to the concentration of shorter-lived radionuclides for which requirements on institutional controls, waste form, and disposal methods are effective.

## b) Classes of waste.

1) Class A waste is waste that is usually segregated from other waste classes at the disposal site. The physical form and characteristics of Class A waste must meet the minimum requirements set forth in Section II. (a). If Class A waste also meets the stability requirements set forth in Section II. (b), it is not necessary to segregate the waste for disposal.

2) Class B waste is waste that must meet more rigorous requirements on waste form to ensure stability after disposal. The physical form and characteristics of Class B waste must meet both the minimum and stability requirements set forth in Section II.

3) Class C waste is waste that not only must meet more rigorous requirements on waste form to ensure stability but also requires additional measures at the disposal facility to protect against inadvertent intrusion. The physical form and characteristics of Class C waste must meet both the minimum and stability requirements set forth in Section II.

c) Classification determined by long-lived radionuclides. If the radioactive waste contains only radionuclides listed in Table I, classification shall be determined as follows:

1) If the concentration does not exceed 0.1 times the value in Table I, the waste is Class A.

2) If the concentration exceeds 0.1 times the value in Table I, but does not exceed the value in Table I, the waste is Class C.

3) If the concentration exceeds the value in Table I, the waste is not generally acceptable for land disposal.

4) For wastes containing mixtures of radionuclides listed in Table I, the total concentration shall be determined by the sum of fractions rule described in Section I.(g).

TABLE I

Radionuclide	Concentration	
	curie/cubic meter <sup>a</sup>	nanocurie/gram <sup>b</sup>
C-14	8	
C-14 in activated metal	80	
Ni-59 in activated metal	220	
Nb-94 in activated metal	0.2	
Tc-99	3	
I-129	0.08	

Alpha emitting transuranic radionuclides with half-life greater than five years	100
Pu-241	3,500
Cm-242	20,000
Ra-226	100

<sup>a</sup> To convert the Ci/m<sup>3</sup> values to gigabecquerel (GBq) per cubic meter, multiply the Ci/m<sup>3</sup> value by 37.

<sup>b</sup>To convert the nCi/g values to becquerel (Bq) per gram, multiply the nCi/g value by 37.

d) Classification determined by short-lived radionuclides. If the waste does not contain any of the radionuclides listed in Table I, classification shall be determined based on the concentrations shown in Table II. However, as specified in Section I.(f), if radioactive waste does not contain any nuclides listed in either Table I or II, it is Class A.

- 1) If the concentration does not exceed the value in Column 1, the waste is Class A.
- 2) If the concentration exceeds the value in Column 1 but does not exceed the value in Column 2, the waste is Class B.
- 3) If the concentration exceeds the value in Column 2 but does not exceed the value in Column 3, the waste is Class C.
- 4) If the concentration exceeds the value in Column 3, the waste is not generally acceptable for near-surface disposal.
- 5) For wastes containing mixtures of the radionuclides listed in Table II, the total concentration shall be determined by the sum of fractions rule described in Section I.(g).

TABLE II

Radionuclide	Concentration, curie/cubic meter *		
	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Total of all radionuclides with less than 5-year half-life	700	*	*
H-3	40	*	*
Co-60	700	*	*
Ni-63	3.5	70	700
Ni-63 in activated metal	35	700	7000
Sr-90	0.04	150	7000
Cs-137	1	44	4600

\*AGENCY NOTE: To convert the Ci/m<sup>3</sup> value to gigabecquerel (GBq) per cubic meter, multiply the Ci/m<sup>3</sup> value by 37. There are no limits established for these radionuclides in Class B or C wastes. Practical considerations such as the effects of external radiation and internal heat generation on transportation, handling, and disposal will limit the concentrations for these wastes. These wastes shall be Class B unless the concentrations of other radionuclides in Table II determine the waste to be Class C independent of these radionuclides.

e) Classification determined by both long- and short-lived radionuclides. If the radioactive waste contains a mixture of radionuclides, some of which are listed in Table I and some of which are listed in Table II, classification shall be determined as follows:

- 1) If the concentration of a radionuclide listed in Table I is less than 0.1 times the value listed in Table I, the class shall be that determined by the concentration of radionuclides listed in Table II.
- 2) If the concentration of a radionuclide listed in Table I exceeds 0.1 times the value listed in Table I, but does not exceed the value in Table I, the waste shall be Class C, provided the concentration of radionuclides listed in Table II does not exceed the value shown in Column 3 of Table II.

f) Classification of wastes with radionuclides other than those listed in Tables I and II. If the waste does not contain any radionuclides listed in either Table I or II, it is Class A.

g) Determination of concentrations in wastes. The concentration of a radionuclide may be determined by indirect methods such as use of scaling factors which relate the inferred concentration of one radionuclide to another that is measured, or radionuclide material accountability, if there is reasonable assurance that the indirect methods can be correlated with actual measurements. The concentration of a radionuclide may be averaged over the volume of the waste, or weight of the waste if the units are expressed as becquerel (nanocurie) per gram.

h) The sum of the fractions rule for mixtures of radionuclides. For determining classification for waste that contains a mixture of radionuclides, it is necessary to determine the sum of fractions by dividing each radionuclide's concentration by the appropriate limit and adding the resulting values. The appropriate limits must all be taken from the same column of the same table. The sum of the fractions for the column must be less than 1.0 if the waste class is to be determined by that column. Example: A waste contains Sr-90 in a concentration of 1.85 TBq/m<sup>3</sup> (50 Ci/m<sup>3</sup>) and Cs-137 in a concentration of 814 GBq/m<sup>3</sup> (22 Ci/m<sup>3</sup>). Since the concentrations both exceed the values in Column 1, Table II, they must be compared to Column 2 values. For Sr-90 fraction,  $50/150 = 0.33$ ; for Cs-137 fraction,  $22/44 = 0.5$ ; the sum of the fractions = 0.83. Since the sum is less than 1.0, the waste is Class B.

## II. Radioactive Waste Characteristics

a) The following are minimum requirements for all classes of waste and are intended to facilitate handling and provide protection of health and safety of personnel at the disposal site.

1) Wastes shall be packaged in conformance with the conditions of the license issued to the site operator to which the waste will be shipped. Where the conditions of the site license are more restrictive than the provisions of this chapter, the site license conditions shall govern.

2) Wastes shall not be packaged for disposal in cardboard or fiberboard boxes.

3) Liquid waste shall be packaged in sufficient absorbent material to absorb twice the volume of the liquid.

4) Solid waste containing liquid shall contain as little freestanding and noncorrosive liquid as is reasonably achievable, but in no case shall the liquid exceed 1% of the volume.

5) Waste shall not be readily capable of detonation or of explosive decomposition or reaction at normal pressures and temperatures, or of explosive reaction with water.

6) Waste shall not contain, or be capable of generating, quantities of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes harmful to persons transporting, handling, or disposing of the waste. This does not apply to radioactive gaseous waste packaged in accordance with Section II.(a)(8).

7) Waste must not be pyrophoric. Pyrophoric materials contained in wastes shall be treated, prepared, and packaged to be nonflammable.<sup>4</sup>

8) Wastes in a gaseous form shall be packaged at an absolute pressure that does not exceed 1.5 atmospheres at 20°C. Total activity shall not exceed 100 Ci (3.7 TBq) per container.

<sup>4</sup>See 641—38.2 of these rules for the definition of pyrophoric.

9) Wastes containing hazardous, biological, pathogenic, or infectious material shall be treated to reduce to the maximum extent practicable the potential hazard from the nonradiological materials.

b) The following requirements are intended to provide stability of the waste. Stability is intended to ensure that the waste does not degrade and affect overall stability of the site through slumping, collapse, or other failure of the disposal unit and thereby lead to water infiltration. Stability is also a factor in limiting exposure to an inadvertent intruder, since it provides a recognizable and nondispersible waste.

1) Waste shall have structural stability. A structurally stable waste form will generally maintain its physical dimensions and its form, under the expected disposal conditions such as weight of overburden and compaction equipment, the presence of moisture, and microbial activity, and internal factors such as radiation effects and chemical changes. Structural stability can be provided by the waste form itself, processing the waste to a stable form, or placing the waste in a disposal container or structure that provides stability after disposal.

2) Notwithstanding the provisions in Section II.(a)(3) and (4), liquid wastes, or wastes containing liquid, shall be converted into a form that contains as little freestanding and noncorrosive liquid as is reasonably achievable, but in no case shall the liquid exceed 1% of the volume of the waste when the waste is in a disposal container designed to ensure stability, or 0.5% of the volume of the waste for waste processed to a stable form.

3) Void spaces within the waste and between the waste and its package shall be reduced to the extent practicable.

### III. Labeling

Each package of waste shall be clearly labeled to identify whether it is Class A, Class B, or Class C waste, in accordance with Section I.



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## APPENDIX F

## QUANTITIES FOR USE WITH DECOMMISSIONING

<u>Material</u>	<u>Microcurie*</u>
Americium-241	0.01
Antimony-122	100
Antimony-124	10
Antimony-125	10
Arsenic-73	100
Arsenic-74	10
Arsenic-76	10
Arsenic-77	100
Barium-131	10
Barium-133	10
Barium-140	10
Bismuth-210	1
Bromine-82	10
Cadmium-109	10
Cadmium-115m	10
Cadmium-115	100
Calcium-45	10
Calcium-47	10
Carbon-14	100
Cerium-141	100
Cerium-143	100
Cerium-144	1
Cesium-131	1,000
Cesium-134m	100
Cesium-134	1
Cesium-135	10
Cesium-136	10
Cesium-137	10
Chlorine-36	10
Chlorine-38	10
Chromium-51	1,000
Cobalt-58m	10
Cobalt-58	10
Cobalt-60	1
Copper-64	100
Dysprosium-165	10
Dysprosium-166	100

<u>Material</u>	<u>Microcurie*</u>
Erbium-169	100
Erbium-171	100
Europium-152 (9.2 h)	100
Europium-152 (13 yr)	1
Europium-154	1
Europium-155	10
Florine-18	1,000
Gadolinium-153	10
Gadolinium-159	100
Gallium-72	10
Germanium-71	100
Gold-198	100
Gold-199	100
Hafnium-181	10
Holmium-166	100
Hydrogen-3	1,000
Indium-113m	100
Indium-114m	10
Indium-115m	100
Indium-115	10
Iodine-125	1
Iodine-126	1
Iodine-129	0.1
Iodine-131	1
Iodine-132	10
Iodine-133	1
Iodine-134	10
Iodine-135	10
Iridium-192	10
Iridium-194	100
Iron-55	100
Iron-59	10
Krypton-85	100
Krypton-87	10
Lanthanum-140	10
Lutetium-177	100
Manganese-52	10
Manganese-54	10
Manganese-56	10
Mercury-197m	100
Mercury-197	100

<u>Material</u>	<u>Microcurie*</u>
Mercury-203	10
Molybdenum-99	100
Neodymium-147	100
Neodymium-149	100
Nickel-59	100
Nickel-63	10
Nickel-65	100
Niobium-93m	10
Niobium-95	10
Niobium-97	10
Osmium-185	10
Osmium-191m	100
Osmium-191	100
Osmium-193	100
Palladium-103	100
Palladium-109	100
Phosphorus-32	10
Platinum-191	100
Platinum-193m	100
Platinum-193	100
Platinum-197m	100
Platinum-197	100
Plutonium-239	0.01
Polonium-210	0.1
Potassium-42	10
Praseodymium-142	100
Praseodymium-143	100
Promethium-147	10
Promethium-149	10
Radium-226	0.01
Rhenium-186	100
Rhenium-188	100
Rhodium-103m	100
Rhodium-105	100
Rubidium-86	10
Rubidium-87	10
Ruthenium-97	100
Ruthenium-103	10
Ruthenium-105	10
Ruthenium-106	1
Samarium-151	10

<u>Material</u>	<u>Microcurie*</u>
Samarium-153	100
Scandium-46	10
Scandium-47	100
Scandium-48	10
Selenium-75	10
Silicon-31	100
Silver-105	10
Silver-110m	1
Silver-111	100
Sodium-22	1
Sodium-24	10
Strontium-85	10
Strontium-89	1
Strontium-90	0.1
Strontium-91	10
Strontium-92	10
Sulfur-35	100
Tantalum-182	10
Technetium-96	10
Technetium-97m	100
Technetium-97	100
Technetium-99m	100
Technetium-99	10
Tellurium-125m	10
Tellurium-127m	10
Tellurium-127	100
Tellurium-129m	10
Tellurium-129	100
Tellurium-131m	10
Tellurium-132	10
Terbium-160	10
Thallium-200	100
Thallium-201	100
Thallium-202	100
Thallium-204	10
Thorium (natural)**	100
Thulium-170	10
Thulium-171	10
Tin-113	10
Tin-125	10
Tungsten-181	10

<u>Material</u>	<u>Microcurie*</u>
Tungsten-185	10
Tungsten-187	100
Uranium (natural)**	100
Uranium-233	0.01
Uranium-234	0.01
Uranium-235	0.01
Vanadium-48	10
Xenon-131m	1,000
Xenon-133	100
Xenon-135	100
Ytterbium-175	100
Yttrium-90	10
Yttrium-91	10
Yttrium-92	100
Yttrium-93	100
Zinc-65	10
Zinc-69m	100
Zinc-69	1,000
Zirconium-93	10
Zirconium-95	10
Zirconium-97	10
Any alpha-emitting radionuclide not listed above or mixtures of alpha emitters of unknown composition	0.01
Any radionuclide other than alpha-emitting radionuclides, not listed above or mixtures of beta emitters of unknown composition	0.1

\*To convert  $\mu\text{Ci}$  to kBq, multiply the  $\mu\text{Ci}$  value by 37.

\*\*Based on alpha disintegration rate of U-238, U-234, and U-235.

NOTE: This Appendix is retained for use by those Agreement States that need to adopt decommissioning regulations compatible with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

NOTE: Where there is involved a combination of isotopes in known amounts, the limit for the combination should be derived as follows: Determine, for each isotope in the combination, the ratio between the quantity present in the combination and the limit otherwise established for the specific isotope when not in combination. The sum of such ratios for all the isotopes in the combination may not exceed "1"—that is, unity.

## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX G

## RADIONUCLIDES OF CONCERN

Radionuclide	Quantity of Concern <sup>1</sup> (TBq)	Quantity of Concern <sup>2</sup> (Ci)
Am-241	0.6	16
Am-241/Be	0.6	16
Cf-252	0.2	5.4
Cm-244	0.5	14
Co-60	0.3	8.1
Cs-137	1	27
Gd-153	10	270
Ir-192	0.8	22
Pm-147	400	11,000
Pu-238	0.6	16
Pu-239/Be	0.6	16
Ra-226	0.4	11
Se-75	2	54
Sr-90 (Y-90)	10	270
Tm-170	200	5,400
Yb-169	3	81
Combinations of radioactive materials listed above <sup>3</sup>	See footnote below <sup>4</sup>	

<sup>1</sup>The aggregate activity of multiple, collocated sources of the same radionuclide should be included when the total activity equals or exceeds the quantity of concern.

<sup>2</sup>The primary values used for compliance with this Order are TBq. The curie (Ci) values are rounded to two significant figures for informational purposes only.

<sup>3</sup>Radioactive materials are to be considered aggregated or collocated if breaching a common physical security barrier (e.g., a locked door at the entrance to a storage room) would allow access to the radioactive material or devices containing the radioactive material.

<sup>4</sup>If several radionuclides are aggregated, the sum of the ratios of the activity of each source,  $i$  of radionuclide,  $n$ ,  $A_{(i,n)}$ , to the quantity of concern for radionuclide  $n$ ,  $Q_{(n)}$ , listed for that radionuclide equals or exceeds one. [(aggregated source activity for radionuclide A) ÷ (quantity of concern for radionuclide A)] + [(aggregated source activity for radionuclide B) ÷ (quantity of concern for radionuclide B)] + etc. .... ≥ 1

Use the following method to determine which sources of radioactive material require increased controls (ICs):

- Include any single source equal to or greater than the quantity of concern in Appendix G.
- Include multiple collocated sources of the same radionuclide when the combined quantity equals or exceeds the quantity of concern.
- For combinations of radionuclides, include multiple collocated sources of different radionuclides when the aggregate quantities satisfy the following unity rule: [(amount of radionuclide A) ÷ (quantity of concern of radionuclide A)] + [(amount of radionuclide B) ÷ (quantity of concern of radionuclide B)] + etc. .... ≥ 1

## Guidance for Aggregation of Sources

NRC supports the use of the IAEA's source categorization methodology as defined in TECDOC-1344, "Categorization of Radioactive Sources," (July 2003) (see [http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/te\\_1344\\_web.pdf](http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/te_1344_web.pdf)) and as endorsed by the agency's Code of Conduct for the Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources, January 2004 (see <http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/publications/PDF/Code-2004.pdf>). The Code defines a three-tiered

source categorization scheme. Category 1 corresponds to the largest source strength (equal to or greater than 100 times the quantity of concern values listed in the table in Appendix G) and Category 3 corresponds to the smallest (equal to or exceeding one-tenth the quantity of concern values listed in the table in Appendix G). Increased controls apply to sources that are equal to or greater than the quantity of concern values listed in the table in Appendix G, plus aggregations of smaller sources that are equal to or greater than the quantities in the table in Appendix G. Aggregation only applies to sources that are collocated.

Licensees that possess sources in total quantities that equal or exceed the table in Appendix G quantities are required to implement increased controls. Where there are many small (less than the quantity of concern values) collocated sources whose total aggregate activity equals or exceeds the table in Appendix G values, licensees are to implement increased controls.

Some source handling or storage activities may cover several buildings or several locations within specific buildings. The question then becomes: When are sources considered collocated for purposes of aggregation? For purposes of the additional controls, sources are considered collocated if breaching a single barrier (e.g., a locked door at the entrance to a storage room) would allow access to the sources. Sources behind an outer barrier should be aggregated separately from those behind an inner barrier (e.g., a locked source safe inside the locked storage room). However, if both barriers are simultaneously open, then all sources within these two barriers are considered to be collocated. This logic should be continued for other barriers within or behind the inner barrier.

The following example illustrates the point: A lockable room has sources stored in it. Inside the lockable room, there are two shielded safes with additional sources in them. Inventories are as follows:

The room has the following sources outside the safes: Cf-252, 0.12 TBq (3.2 Ci); Co-60, 0.18 TBq (4.9 Ci); and Pu-238, 0.3 TBq (8.1 Ci). Application of the unity rule yields:  $(0.12 \div 0.2) + (0.18 \div 0.3) + (0.3 \div 0.6) = 0.6 + 0.6 + 0.5 = 1.5$ . Therefore, the sources would require increased controls.

Shielded safe #1 has a 1.9 TBq (51 Ci) Cs-137 source and a 0.8 TBq (22 Ci) Am-241 source. In this case, the sources would require increased controls, regardless of location, because they each exceed the quantities in the table in Appendix G.

Shielded safe #2 has two Ir-192 sources, each having an activity of 0.3 TBq (8.1 Ci). In this case, the sources would not require increased controls while locked in the safe. The combined activity does not exceed the threshold quantity 0.8 TBq (22 Ci).

Because certain barriers may cease to exist during source handling operations (e.g., a storage location may be unlocked during periods of active source usage), licensees should, to the extent practicable, consider two modes of source usage—"operations" (active source usage) and "shutdown" (source storage mode). Whichever mode results in the greatest inventory (considering barrier status) would require increased controls for each location.

## CHAPTER 40

## APPENDIX H

## NATIONALLY TRACKED SOURCE THRESHOLDS

The Terabecquerel (TBq) values are the regulatory standard. The curie (Ci) values specified are obtained by converting from the TBq value. The curie values are provided for practical usefulness only and are rounded after conversion.

Radioactive Material	Category 1 (TBq)	Category 1 (Ci)	Category 2 (TBq)	Category 2 (Ci)
Actinium-227	20	540	0.2	5.4
Americium-241	60	1,600	0.6	16.0
Americium-241/Be	60	1,600	0.6	16.0
Californium-252	20	540	0.2	5.4
Cobalt-60	30	810	0.3	8.1
Curium-244	50	1,400	0.5	14.0
Cesium-137	100	2,700	1.0	27.0
Gadolinium-153	1,000	27,000	10.0	270.0
Iridium-192	80	2,200	0.8	22.0
Plutonium-238	60	1,600	0.6	16.0
Plutonium-239/Be	60	1,600	0.6	16.0
Polonium-210	60	1,600	0.6	16.0
Promethium-147	40,000	1,100,000	400.0	11,000.0
Radium-226	40	1,100	0.4	11.0
Selenium-75	200	5,400	2.0	54.0
Strontium-90	1,000	27,000	10.0	270.0
Thorium-228	20	540	0.2	5.4
Thorium-229	20	540	0.2	5.4
Thulium-170	20,000	540,000	200.0	5,400.0
Ytterbium-169	300	8,100	3.0	81.0

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CHAPTER 41  
SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF  
RADIATION MACHINES AND CERTAIN USES  
OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

**641—41.1(136C) X-rays in the healing arts.**

**41.1(1) Scope.** This rule establishes requirements, for which a registrant is responsible, for use of X-ray equipment and imaging systems by or under the supervision of an individual authorized by and licensed in accordance with state statutes to engage in the healing arts or veterinary medicine.

*a.* The provisions of Chapter 41 are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other applicable portions of 641—Chapters 38 to 42.

*b.* All references to any Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of July 9, 2008.

**41.1(2) Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions of 641—Chapters 38 and 40 may also apply. The following are specific to 641—Chapter 41.

“*Accessible surface*” means the external surface of the enclosure or housing of the radiation producing machine as provided by the manufacturer.

“*Added filtration*” means any filtration which is in addition to the inherent filtration.

“*Aluminum equivalent*” means the thickness of type 1100 aluminum alloy affording the same attenuation, under specified conditions, as the material in question.

“*Attenuation block*” means a block or stack, having dimensions 20 centimeters by 20 centimeters by 3.8 centimeters, of type 1100 aluminum alloy or other materials having equivalent attenuation.

“*Automatic exposure control (AEC)*” means a device which automatically controls one or more technique factors in order to obtain at a preselected location(s) a required quantity of radiation (see also “Phototimer”). (Includes devices such as phototimers and ion chambers.)

“*Base density*” means the optical density due to the supporting base of the film alone. The base density of a film is the optical density that would result if an unexposed film were processed through the fixer, wash, and dryer, without first passing through the developer.

“*Base plus fog density*” means the optical density of a film due to its base density plus any action of the developer on the unexposed silver halide crystals. The base plus fog density can be measured by processing an unexposed film through the entire processing cycle and measuring the resultant optical density.

“*Beam monitoring system*” means a system designed to detect and measure the radiation present in the useful beam.

“*C-arm X-ray system*” means an X-ray system in which the image receptor and X-ray tube housing assembly are connected by a common mechanical support system in order to maintain a desired spatial relationship. This system is designed to allow a change in the projection of the beam through the patient without a change in the position of the patient.

“*Cassette*” means a light-tight case, usually made of thin, low X-ray absorption plastic, for holding X-ray film. One or two intensifying screens for the conversion of X-rays to visible light photons are mounted inside the cassette so that they are in close contact to the film.

“*Cephalometric device*” means a device intended for the radiographic visualization and measurement of the dimensions of the human head.

“*Certified components*” means components of X-ray systems which are subject to regulations promulgated under Public Law 90-602, the “Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968,” the Food and Drug Administration.

“*Certified system*” means any X-ray system which has one or more certified component(s).

“*Coefficient of variation*” or “*C*” means the ratio of the standard deviation to the mean value of a population of observations. It is estimated using the following equation:

$$c = \frac{s}{\bar{x}} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} \right]^{1/2}$$

where:

$\underline{s}$  = Estimated standard deviation of the population.

$\bar{X}$  = Mean value of observations in sample.

$X_i$  =  $i^{\text{th}}$  observation in sample.

$n$  = Number of observations in sample.

“*Computed tomography*” means the production of a tomogram by the acquisition and computer processing of X-ray transmission data.

“*Control chart*” means a chart used to record (and control) the results of quality control testing as a function of time.

“*Control limit*” means the range of variation on a control chart beyond which action must be taken to correct the results of quality control testing.

“*Control panel*” (see X-ray control panel).

“*Cooling curve*” means the graphical relationship between heat units stored and cooling time.

“*CT*” (see “Computed tomography”).

“*Dead-man switch*” means a switch so constructed that a circuit closing contact can be maintained only by continuous pressure on the switch by the operator.

“*Dedicated mammography equipment*” means X-ray systems designed specifically for breast imaging, providing optimum imaging geometry, a device for breast compression and low dose exposure that can generate reproducible images of high quality.

“*Densitometer*” means an instrument which measures the degree of blackening (or radiographic density) of film due to radiation or light by measuring the ratio of the light intensity incident on the film to the light intensity transmitted by the film.

“*Detents*” means mechanical settings that limit or prevent the motion or rotation of an X-ray tube, cassette assembly, or image receptor system.

“*Developer*” means a chemical solution (alkaline) that changes the latent image (exposed silver halide crystals) on a film to a visible image composed of minute masses of black metallic silver.

“*Developer replenishment*” means the process, occurring as film travels past a certain point in the processor, triggering the activation of a pump, whereby fresh developer is added in small amounts to the solution in the developer tank of the processor. The purpose is to maintain the proper alkalinity, chemical activity, and level of solution in the developer tank.

“*Diagnostic mammography*” means mammography performed on an individual who, by virtue of symptoms or physical findings, is considered to have a substantial likelihood of having breast disease.

“*Diagnostic source assembly*” means the tube housing assembly with a beam-limiting device attached.

“*Direct scattered radiation*” means that scattered radiation which has been deviated in direction only by materials irradiated by the useful beam (see “Scattered radiation”).

“*Entrance exposure rate*” means the exposure free in air per unit time at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient.

“*Equipment*” (see “X-ray equipment”).

“*Field emission equipment*” means equipment which uses an X-ray tube in which electron emission from the cathode is due solely to the action of an electric field.

“*Filter*” means material placed in the useful beam to preferentially absorb selected radiations.

“*Fixer*” means a chemical solution (acidic) which removes the unexposed and undeveloped silver halide crystals from film so it will not discolor or darken with age or exposure to light. Fixer also hardens the gelatin containing the black metallic silver so film may be dried and resist damage from abrasions.

“*Fixer retention*” means the inadequate removal of fixer from the film by the water in the wash tank of the processor. Retained fixer causes eventual brown discoloration of the radiograph.

“*Fluoroscopic imaging assembly*” means a subsystem in which X-ray photons produce a visual image. It includes the image receptor(s) such as the image intensifier and spot-film device, electrical

interlocks, if any, and structural material providing linkage between the image receptor and diagnostic source assembly.

*“Focal spot (actual)”* means the area projected on the anode of the X-ray tube bombarded by the electrons accelerated from the cathode and from which the useful beam originates.

*“Focal spot size”* means the area of the target or anode that is bombarded by electrons from the cathode of the X-ray tube to produce X-rays. The smaller the focal spot, the better the limited spatial resolution of the X-ray system, especially in magnification mammography.

*“Fog”* means the density added to a radiograph due to unwanted action of the developer on the unexposed silver halide crystals or by light, radiation, chemical, or heat exposure during storage, handling, and processing.

*“General purpose radiographic X-ray system”* means any radiographic X-ray system which, by design, is not limited to radiographic examination of specific anatomical regions.

*“Gonad shield”* means a protective barrier for the testes or ovaries.

*“Healing arts screening”* means the use of radiation on human beings for the detection or evaluation of health indicators for which the individual is considered at high risk when such tests are not specifically and individually ordered by:

1. An individual authorized under 41.1(3)“a”(7), or
2. An individual licensed as a physician in Iowa and listed as an authorized user on an NRC or agreement state radioactive materials license.

*“Heat unit”* means a unit of energy equal to the product of the peak kilovoltage, milliamperes, and seconds, i.e.,  $kVp \times mA \times \text{second}$ .

*“Image contrast”* means the amount of radiographic density difference between adjacent areas resulting from a fixed amount of attenuation difference or light exposure difference.

*“Image intensifier”* means a device, installed in its housing, which instantaneously converts an X-ray pattern into a corresponding light image of higher energy intensity.

*“Image noise”* See “Radiographic noise.”

*“Image quality”* means the overall clarity and detail of a radiographic image. Limiting spatial resolution (or resolving power), image sharpness, and image contrast are three common measures of image quality.

*“Image receptor”* means any device, such as a fluorescent screen or radiographic film, which transforms incident X-ray photons either into a visible image or into another form which can be made into a visible image by further transformations.

*“Image sharpness”* means the overall impression of detail and clarity in a radiographic image.

*“Inherent filtration”* means the filtration of the useful beam provided by the permanently installed components of the tube housing assembly.

*“Kilovolts peak”* (see “Peak tube potential”).

*“kVp”* (see “Peak tube potential”).

*“kWs”* means kilowatt second.

*“Leakage technique factors”* means the technique factors associated with the diagnostic or therapeutic source assembly which are used in measuring leakage radiation. They are defined as follows:

*a.* For diagnostic source assemblies intended for capacitor energy storage equipment, the maximum-rated peak tube potential and the maximum-rated number of exposures in an hour for operation at the maximum-rated peak tube potential with the quantity of charge per exposure being 10 millicoulombs, i.e., 10 milliamperes seconds, or the minimum obtainable from the unit, whichever is larger.

*b.* For diagnostic source assemblies intended for field emission equipment rated for pulsed operation, the maximum-rated peak tube potential and the maximum-rated number of X-ray pulses in an hour for operation at the maximum-rated peak tube potential.

*c.* For all other diagnostic or therapeutic source assemblies, the maximum-rated peak tube potential and the maximum-rated continuous tube current for the maximum-rated peak tube potential.

“*Linear attenuation coefficient*” or “ $\mu$ ” means the quotient of  $dN/N$  divided by  $dl$  when  $dN/N$  is the fraction of uncharged ionizing radiation that experience interactions in traversing a distance  $dl$  in a specified material.

“*Line-voltage regulation*” means the difference between the no-load and the load line potentials expressed as a percent of the load line potential. It is calculated using the following equation:

$$\text{Percent line-voltage regulation} = 100 (V_n - V_l) / V_l$$

where

$V_n$  = No-load line potential and

$V_l$  = Load line potential.

“*mAs*” means milliamperere second.

“*Maximum line current*” means the root-mean-square current in the supply line of an X-ray machine operating at its maximum rating.

“*Mobile X-ray equipment*” (see “X-ray equipment”).

“*PBL*” (see “Positive beam limitation”).

“*Phototimer*” means a method for controlling radiation exposures to image receptors by the amount of radiation which reaches a radiation-monitoring device(s). The radiation-monitoring device(s) is part of an electronic circuit which controls the duration of time the tube is activated (see “Automatic exposure control”).

“*PID*” (see “Position indicating device”).

“*Portable X-ray equipment*” (see “X-ray equipment”).

“*Position indicating device*” means a device on dental X-ray equipment used to indicate the beam position and to establish a definite source-surface (skin) distance. It may or may not incorporate or serve as a beam-limiting device.

“*Positive beam limitation*” means the automatic or semiautomatic adjustment of an X-ray beam to the size of the selected image receptor, whereby exposures cannot be made without such adjustment.

“*Processor*” means an automated device which transports film in a controlled manner by a system of rollers through specialized sections where developing, fixing, washing, and drying of the film occur.

“*Protective apron*” means an apron made of radiation-absorbing materials used to reduce radiation exposure.

“*Protective glove*” means a glove made of radiation-absorbing materials used to reduce radiation exposure.

“*Quality assurance*” means the overall program of testing and maintaining the highest possible standards of quality in the acquisition and interpretation of radiographic images.

“*Quality control*” means the actual process of testing and maintaining the highest possible standards of quality in equipment performance and the acquisition and interpretation of radiographic images.

“*Radiation therapy simulation system*” means a radiographic or fluoroscopic X-ray system intended for localizing the volume to be exposed during radiation therapy and confirming the position and size of the therapeutic irradiation field.

“*Radiograph*” means an image receptor on which the image is created directly or indirectly by an X-ray pattern and results in a permanent record.

“*Radiographic contrast*” means the magnitude of optical density difference between structures of interest and their surroundings, or between areas of film receiving different amount of X-ray or visible light exposure.

“*Radiographic noise*” means unwanted fluctuations in optical density on the screen-film image.

“*Rating*” means the operating limits as specified by the component manufacturer.

“*Recording*” means producing a permanent form of an image resulting from X-ray photons.

“*Repeat (or reject) analysis*” means a systematic approach to determine the causes for radiographs being discarded or repeated, or both.

“*Replenishment rate*” means the amount of chemicals added in order to maintain the proper chemical activity of developer and fixer solutions.

*“Response time”* means the time required for an instrument system to reach 90 percent of its final reading when the radiation-sensitive volume of the instrument system is exposed to a step change in radiation flux from zero sufficient to provide a steady state midscale reading.

*“Safelight”* means a source of minimal visible light in a darkroom, produced at frequencies (colors) to which the film is insensitive, protecting the film from unwanted exposure (fog) while allowing personnel to function more efficiently and safely.

*“Screen”* means microscopic phosphor crystals on a plastic support used in conjunction with either single or double emulsion film; the screen emits visible light when exposed to X-radiation, creating a latent image on X-ray film.

*“Screen-film combination”* means a particular intensifying screen used with a particular type of film. Care must be taken to match the number of screens (one or two) to the number of emulsions coating the film and to match the light output spectrum of the screen to the light sensitivity of the film.

*“Screen-film contact”* means the close proximity of the intensifying screen to the emulsion of the film, necessary in order to achieve a sharp image on the film.

*“Sensitometer”* means a device used to reproducibly expose a piece of film to a number of different levels of light intensity.

*“Sensitometric strip”* means a sheet of film exposed by a sensitometer, resulting in a gray scale range. Such strips are used to measure the range of densities, from minimum to maximum, resulting from a reproducible set of exposures.

*“Sensitometry”* means a quantitative measurement of the response of film to exposure and development. Sensitometry is used to test the processor setup and stability.

*“SID”* (see “Source-image receptor distance”).

*“Source”* means the focal spot of the X-ray tube.

*“Source-image receptor distance”* means the distance from the source to the center of the input surface of the image receptor.

*“Spot check”* means a procedure which is performed to ensure that a previous calibration continues to be valid.

*“Spot film”* means a radiograph which is made during a fluoroscopic examination to permanently record conditions which exist during that fluoroscopic procedure.

*“Spot-film device”* means a device intended to transport or position a radiographic image receptor between the X-ray source and fluoroscopic image receptor. It includes a device intended to hold a cassette over the input end of an image intensifier for the purpose of making a radiograph.

*“Stationary X-ray equipment”* (see “X-ray equipment”).

*“Technique factors”* means the following conditions of operation:

a. For capacitor energy storage equipment, peak tube potential in kV and quantity of charge in mAs;  
b. For field emission equipment rated for pulsed operation, peak tube potential in kV, and number of X-ray pulses;

c. For CT X-ray systems designed for pulsed operation, peak tube potential in kV, scan time in seconds, and either tube current in mA, X-ray pulse width in seconds, and the number of X-ray pulses per scan, or the product of tube current, X-ray pulse width, and the number of X-ray pulses in mAs;

d. For CT X-ray systems not designed for pulsed operation, peak tube potential in kV, and either tube current in mA and scan time in seconds, or the product of tube current and exposure time in mAs and the scan time when the scan time and exposure time are equivalent; and

e. For all other equipment, peak tube potential in kV, and either tube current in mA and exposure time in seconds, or the product of tube current and exposure time in mAs.

*“Tomogram”* means the depiction of the X-ray attenuation properties of a section through the body.

*“Tube rating chart”* means the set of curves which specify the rated limits of operation of the tube in terms of the technique factors.

*“Useful beam”* means the radiation emanating from the tube housing port or the radiation head and passing through the aperture of the beam-limiting device when the exposure controls are in a mode to cause the system to produce radiation.

“*Variable-aperture beam-limiting device*” means a beam-limiting device which has capacity for stepless adjustment of the X-ray field size at a given SID.

“*Viewbox*” means a device by which a uniform field of white light is transmitted through an X-ray so that the image on the film may be seen.

“*Visible area*” means that portion of the input surface of the image receptor over which incident X-ray photons are producing a visible image.

“*X-ray control panel*” means a device which controls input power to the X-ray high-voltage generator and the X-ray tube. It includes equipment such as timers, phototimers, automatic brightness stabilizers, and similar devices, which control the technique factors of an X-ray exposure.

“*X-ray equipment*” means an X-ray system, subsystem, or component thereof. Types of X-ray equipment are as follows:

a. “*Mobile X-ray equipment*” means X-ray equipment mounted on a permanent base with wheels or casters for moving while completely assembled.

b. “*Portable X-ray equipment*” means X-ray equipment designed to be hand-carried.

c. “*Stationary X-ray equipment*” means X-ray equipment which is installed in a fixed location.

“*X-ray exposure control*” means a device, switch, button or similar means by which an operator initiates or terminates the radiation exposure. The X-ray exposure control may include such associated equipment as timers and backup timers.

“*X-ray field*” means that area of the intersection of the useful beam and any one of the set of planes parallel to and including the plane of the image receptor, whose perimeter is the locus of points at which the exposure rate is one-fourth of the maximum in the intersection.

“*X-ray high-voltage generator*” means a device which transforms electrical energy from the potential supplied by the X-ray control to the tube operating potential. The device may also include means for transforming alternating current to direct current, filament transformers for the X-ray tube(s), high-voltage switches, electrical protective devices, and other appropriate elements.

“*X-ray system*” means an assemblage of components for the controlled production of X-rays. It includes minimally an X-ray high-voltage generator, an X-ray control, a tube housing assembly, a beam-limiting device, and the necessary supporting structures. Additional components which function with the system are considered integral parts of the system.

“*X-ray table*” means a patient support device with its patient support structure (tabletop) interposed between the patient and the image receptor during radiography or fluoroscopy. This includes, but is not limited to, any stretcher equipped with a radiolucent panel and any table equipped with a cassette tray (or bucky), cassette tunnel, image intensifier, or spot-film device beneath the tabletop.

#### **41.1(3) Administrative controls.**

a. Registrant. The registrant shall be responsible for maintaining and directing the operation of the X-ray system(s) under the registrant’s administrative control, for ensuring that the requirements of these rules are met in the operation of the X-ray system(s), and for having the following minimum tests performed by a registered service facility according to the following schedule:

1. Medical/chiropractic: timer accuracy, exposure reproducibility, kVp accuracy as set forth in 41.1(6), and light field/X-ray field alignment as set forth in 41.1(6) every two years.

2. Dental/podiatry: timer accuracy, exposure reproducibility and kVp accuracy as set forth in 41.1(7) every four years.

3. Fluoroscopic: entrance exposure rate (41.1(5) “c”), and minimum SSD (41.1(5) “f”) annually.

4. Veterinary systems are exempt from the above testing requirements.

All service and installation shall be performed by persons registered under 641—subrule 39.3(3). The registrant or the registrant’s agent shall ensure that the requirements of these rules are met in the operation of the X-ray system(s).

(1) An X-ray system which does not meet the provisions of these rules shall not be operated for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes unless so directed by the agency. All position locking, holding, and centering devices on X-ray system components and systems shall function as intended. All X-ray systems shall be maintained in good mechanical repair and comply with all state and local electrical code requirements.



(2) Individuals who will be operating the X-ray systems shall be adequately instructed in safe operating procedures and be competent in the safe use of the equipment. In addition:

1. Operators in medical facilities shall meet the requirements of 641—Chapter 42 as applicable, and have a current permit to practice in diagnostic radiography. The individual's permit to practice shall be posted in the immediate vicinity of the general work area and visible to the public.

2. Operators in dental facilities shall meet the requirements of the Iowa dental examiners board.

(3) A chart shall be provided in the vicinity of the diagnostic X-ray system's control panel which specifies, for all examinations performed with that system, the following information:

1. Patient's body part and anatomical size, or body part thickness, or age (for pediatrics), versus technique factors to be utilized unless automatically set by the X-ray system;

2. Type and size of the film or film-screen combination to be used;

3. Type and focal distance of the grid to be used, if any;

4. Source to image receptor distance to be used, except for dental intra-oral radiography; and

5. Type and location of placement of human patient shielding to be used (e.g., gonad).

(4) Written safety procedures shall be provided to each individual operating X-ray equipment, including patient holding and any restrictions of the operating technique required for the safe operation of the particular X-ray system. The operator shall be able to demonstrate familiarity with these procedures.

(5) Except for patients who cannot be moved out of the room, only the staff and ancillary personnel required for the medical procedure or training shall be in the room during the radiographic exposure. Other than the patient being examined:

1. All individuals shall be positioned such that no part of the body will be struck by the useful beam unless protected by 0.5 millimeter lead equivalent.

2. The X-ray operator, other staff, ancillary personnel, and other persons required for the medical procedure shall be protected from the scattered primary radiation by protective aprons or whole body protective barriers of not less than 0.25 millimeter lead equivalent.

3. Human patients who cannot be removed from the room shall be protected from the direct scatter radiation by whole body protective barriers of 0.25 millimeter lead equivalent or shall be so positioned that the nearest portion of the body is at least 2 meters from both the tube head and the nearest edge of the image receptor.

(6) Gonad shielding of not less than 0.50 millimeter lead equivalent shall be used for human patients, who have not passed the reproductive age, during radiographic procedures in which the gonads are in the useful beam, except for cases in which this would interfere with the diagnostic procedure.

(7) Individuals shall not be exposed to the useful beam unless (1) the radiation exposure occurs in the context of a previously established professional relationship between a licensed practitioner of the healing arts or a licensed registered nurse who is registered as an advanced registered nurse practitioner pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152 and a patient, which includes a physical examination by the practitioner of the patient unless such examination is not clinically indicated; and (2) such practitioner issues a written order for the radiation exposure. The written order shall be issued prior to the exposure unless the exposure results from care provided in an emergency or surgery setting. A verbal order may be issued provided the licensed practitioner is supervising the procedure and the order is documented in the patient's record after the procedure is completed. This provision specifically prohibits deliberate exposure for the following purposes:

1. Exposure of an individual for training, demonstration, or other non-healing arts purposes; and

2. Exposure of an individual for the purpose of healing arts screening except as authorized by 41.1(3)"a"(11).

(8) When a patient or film must be provided with auxiliary support during a radiation exposure:

1. Mechanical holding devices shall be used when the technique permits. The written safety procedures, required by 41.1(3)"a"(4), shall list individual projections where holding devices cannot be utilized;

2. Written safety procedures, as required by 41.1(3)"a"(4), shall indicate the requirements for selecting a holder and the procedure the holder shall follow;

3. The human holder shall be instructed in personal radiation safety and protected as required by 41.1(3) "a"(5)"2";

4. No individual shall be used routinely to hold film or patients; and

5. In those cases where the human patient must hold the film, except during intraoral examinations, any portion of the body other than the area of clinical interest struck by the useful beam shall be protected by not less than 0.5 millimeter lead equivalent material.

6. Each facility shall have leaded aprons and gloves available in sufficient numbers to provide protection to all personnel who are involved with X-ray operations and who are otherwise not shielded.

(9) Procedures and auxiliary equipment designed to minimize patient and personnel exposure commensurate with the needed diagnostic information shall be utilized.

1. The speed of film or screen and film combinations shall be the fastest speed consistent with the diagnostic objective of the examinations. Film cassettes without intensifying screens shall not be used for any routine diagnostic radiological imaging, with the exception of veterinary radiography and standard film packets for intra-oral use in dental radiography.

2. The radiation exposure to the patient shall be the minimum exposure required to produce images of good diagnostic quality.

3. Portable or mobile X-ray equipment shall be used only for examinations where it is impractical to transfer the patient(s) to a stationary X-ray installation.

4. X-ray systems subject to 41.1(6) shall not be utilized in procedures where the source to human patient distance is less than 30 centimeters.

5. If grids are used between the patient and the image receptor to decrease scatter to the film and improve contrast, the grid shall:

- Be positioned properly, i.e., tube side facing the correct direction, and the grid centered to the central ray;

- If the grid is of the focused type, be at the proper focal distance for the SIDs being used.

(10) All individuals who are associated with the operation of an X-ray system are subject to the requirements of 641—subrule 40.36(3) and rules 641—40.15(136C) and 641—40.37(136C). In addition:

1. When protective clothing or devices are worn on portions of the body and a personnel monitoring device(s) is present, it (they) shall be worn in accordance with the recommendations found in Chapter 4 of the National Council of Radiation Protection and Measurements Report No.57.

2. Exposure of a personnel monitoring device to deceptively indicate a dose delivered to an individual is prohibited.

(11) Healing arts screening. Any person proposing to conduct a healing arts screening program shall not initiate such a program in the state of Iowa without prior written approval of the agency. When requesting such approval, that person shall submit the information outlined in Appendix C of this chapter. The agency shall not approve a healing arts screening program unless the applicant submits data supporting the efficacy of the screening test in diagnosing the disease or condition being screened. If any information submitted to the agency becomes invalid or outdated, the applicant shall notify the agency in writing within five calendar days.

(12) Rescinded IAB 3/31/04, effective 5/5/04.

b. Information and maintenance record and associated information. Records in 41.1(3) "b"(1) and (3) below shall be maintained until the X-ray system is removed from the facility. There shall be two cycles of records on file for items in 41.1(3) "b"(2) below. The registrant shall maintain the following information for each X-ray system for inspection by the agency:

(1) User's manual for the X-ray system;

(2) Records of surveys, calibrations, maintenance, and modifications performed on the X-ray system(s) with the names of persons who performed such services;

(3) A copy of all correspondence with this agency regarding that X-ray system.

c. X-ray utilization log. Except for veterinary facilities, each facility shall maintain an X-ray log containing the patient's name, the type of examinations, the dates the examinations were performed, the name of the individual performing the X-ray procedure, and the number of exposures and retakes involved. When the patient or film must be provided with human auxiliary support, the name of the

human holder shall be recorded. These records shall be kept until the facility is inspected by this agency or until all films listed on the utilization log have been purged.

*d.* Plan review.

(1) Prior to construction of all new installations, or modifications of existing installations, or installation of equipment into existing facilities utilizing X-rays for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes, the floor plans and equipment arrangements shall be submitted to the agency for review and verification that national standards have been met. The required information is denoted in Appendices A and B of this chapter.

(2) The agency may require the applicant to utilize the services of a qualified expert to determine the shielding requirements prior to the plan review and approval.

(3) The approval of such plans shall not preclude the requirement of additional modifications should a subsequent analysis of operating conditions indicate the possibility of an individual receiving a dose in excess of the limits prescribed in 641—Chapter 40.

*e.* Federal performance standards. All X-ray equipment shall comply with the applicable performance standards of 21 CFR 1020.30 to 1020.40 which were in effect at the time the unit was manufactured. All equipment manufactured before the effective date of 21 CFR 1020.30 to 1020.40 shall meet the requirements of the Iowa rules. Persons registered to possess the affected radiation-emitting equipment in Iowa shall be responsible for maintaining the equipment in compliance with the appropriate federal performance standards.

*f.* X-ray film processing facilities and practices (except for mammography). Each installation using a radiographic X-ray system and using analog image receptors (e.g., radiographic film) shall have available suitable equipment for handling and processing radiographic film in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Manually developed film.

1. Processing tanks shall be constructed of mechanically rigid, corrosion-resistant material; and

2. Film shall be processed in accordance with the time-temperature relationships recommended by the film developer manufacturer. The specified developer temperature and immersion time shall be posted in the darkroom. Deviations from the manufacturer's recommendations shall be in writing and on file at the facility. Documentation shall include justification for the deviation.

3. Devices shall be utilized which will indicate the actual temperature of the developer and signal the passage of a preset time appropriate to the developing time required.

(2) Automatic processors and other closed processing systems.

1. Film shall be processed in accordance with the time-temperature relationships recommended by the film developer manufacturer.

2. Processing deviations from the requirements of 41.1(3)"f" shall be documented by the registrant in such manner that the requirements are shown to be met or exceeded (e.g., extended processing and special rapid chemistry).

3. All processing equipment shall be in good mechanical working order.

(3) Other requirements.

1. Pass boxes, if provided, shall be so constructed as to exclude light from the darkroom when cassettes are placed in or removed from the boxes, and shall incorporate adequate shielding from stray radiation to prevent exposure of undeveloped film.

2. The darkroom shall be light tight and use proper safelighting such that any film type in use exposed in a cassette to X-radiation sufficient to produce an optical density from 1 to 2 when processed shall not suffer an increase in density greater than 0.1 when exposed out of the cassette in the darkroom for 2 minutes with all safelights on. If used, daylight film handling boxes shall preclude fogging of the film.

3. Darkrooms typically used by more than one individual shall be provided a method to prevent accidental entry while undeveloped films are being handled or processed.

4. Film shall be stored in a cool, dry place and shall be protected from exposure to stray radiation. Film in open packages shall be stored in a light tight container.

5. Film cassettes and intensifying screens shall be inspected periodically and shall be cleaned and replaced as necessary to best ensure radiographs of good diagnostic quality.

6. Outdated X-ray film shall not be used for diagnostic radiographs, unless the film has been stored in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and a sample of the film passes a sensitometric test for normal ranges of base plus fog and speed.

7. Film developing solutions shall be prepared in accordance with the directions given by the manufacturer and shall be maintained in strength by replenishment or renewal so that full development is accomplished within the time specified by the manufacturer.

(4) Records shall be maintained to verify that the items in 41.1(3) "f" are performed according to the requirements. Records may be discarded only after an agency inspection has been completed and the facility determined to be in compliance.

g. Retention of films. Record retention of films shall be seven years for patients 18 years of age or older and seven years plus the difference between the patient's age and 18 for minors.

(1) If the facility is currently utilizing hard-copy film to store images, it may continue to use this method throughout the retention period.

(2) If the facility is currently utilizing computer media and also storing images in a hard-copy format, it may continue to use this method of retention throughout the retention period. If the images are also on computer media, the data should be backed up, or refreshed, at appropriate intervals as defined by the facility.

(3) If the facility is solely utilizing computer media to store study information for which a report is generated, the recording media is to be stored in conditions that will ensure that deterioration will not occur for the period required by this policy. The facility must maintain either retrieval or access or both to the stored images.

(4) If a patient's medical images are identified as being involved in a legal case, the records should immediately be coded appropriately, and maintained for the required time frame defined in this paragraph. At the time the records have reached the end of the appropriate time frame for retention, the previously identified responsible individuals involved in the legal action should be contacted for further instruction.

(5) If records are temporarily transferred to any party, appropriate information relating to location, date of release, and individual having custody of the records should be maintained.

(6) A facility that is ceasing operations must either transfer its film records to another facility or provide the film records to its patients. A certified letter as to the location, or disposition, of the film records must be sent to notify the patients of the transferal.

**41.1(4) General requirements for all diagnostic X-ray systems.** In addition to other requirements of this chapter, all diagnostic X-ray systems shall meet the following requirements:

a. Warning label. The control panel containing the main power switch shall bear the warning statement, legible and accessible to view: "WARNING: This X-ray unit may be dangerous to patient and operator unless safe exposure factors and operating instructions are observed."

b. Battery charge indicator. On battery-powered X-ray generators, visual means shall be provided on the control panel to indicate whether the battery is in a state of charge adequate for proper operation.

c. Leakage radiation from the diagnostic source assembly. The leakage radiation from the diagnostic source assembly measured at a distance of 1 meter in any direction from the source shall not exceed 100 milliroentgens (25.8  $\mu\text{C}/\text{kg}$ ) in one hour when the X-ray tube is operated at its leakage technique factors. Compliance shall be determined by measurements averaged over an area of 100 square centimeters with no linear dimension greater than 20 centimeters.

d. Radiation from components other than the diagnostic source assembly. The radiation emitted by a component other than the diagnostic source assembly shall not exceed 2 milliroentgens (0.516  $\mu\text{C}/\text{kg}$ ) in one hour at 5 centimeters from any accessible surface of the component when it is operated in an assembled X-ray system under any conditions for which it was designed. Compliance shall be determined by measurements averaged over an area of 100 square centimeters with no linear dimension greater than 20 centimeters.

e. Beam quality.

## (1) Half-value layer.

1. The half-value layer of the useful beam for a given X-ray tube potential shall not be less than the values shown in Table I. If it is necessary to determine such half-value layer at an X-ray tube potential which is not listed in Table I, linear interpolation or extrapolation may be made.

Table I

Design operating range (kVp)	Measured potential (kVp)	Half-value layer (mm of aluminum)
Below 50	30	0.3
	40	0.4
	49	0.5
50 to 70	50	1.2
	60	1.3
	70	1.5
Above 70	71	2.1
	80	2.3
	90	2.5
	100	2.7
	110	3.0
	120	3.2
	130	3.5
	140	3.8
	150	4.1

2. and 3. Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

4. For capacitor energy storage equipment, compliance with the requirements of 41.1(4)“e” shall be determined with the system fully charged and a setting of 10 mAs for each exposure.

5. The required minimal half-value layer of the useful beam shall include the filtration contributed by all materials which are permanently between the source and the patient.

(2) Filtration controls. For X-ray systems which have variable kVp and variable filtration for the useful beam, a device shall link the kVp selector with the filter(s) and shall prevent an exposure unless the minimum amount of filtration required by 41.1(4)“e”(1)“1” is in the useful beam for the given kVp which has been selected.

*f.* Multiple tubes. Where two or more radiographic tubes are controlled by one exposure switch, the tube or tubes which have been selected shall be clearly indicated prior to initiation of the exposure. This indication shall be both on the X-ray control panel and at or near the tube housing assembly which has been selected.

*g.* Mechanical support of tube head. The tube housing assembly supports shall be adjusted such that the tube housing assembly will remain stable during an exposure unless tube housing movement is a designed function of the X-ray system.

*h.* Technique indicators.

(1) The technique factors to be used during an exposure shall be indicated before the exposure begins. If automatic exposure controls are used, the technique factors which are set prior to the exposure shall be indicated.

(2) The requirement of 41.1(4)“h”(1) may be met by permanent markings on equipment having fixed technique factors. Indication of technique factors shall be visible from the operator’s position except in the case of spot films made by the fluoroscopist.

(3) The technique indicators shall be accurate to within manufacturer’s standards.

i. Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

**41.1(5) Fluoroscopic X-ray systems except for computed tomography X-ray systems.** All fluoroscopic X-ray systems shall be image intensified and meet the following requirements:

a. Limitation of useful beam.

(1) Primary barrier.

1. The fluoroscopic imaging assembly shall be provided with a primary protective barrier which intercepts the entire cross section of the useful beam at any SID.

2. The X-ray tube used for fluoroscopy shall not produce X-rays unless the barrier is in position to intercept the entire useful beam.

(2) Fluoroscopic beam limitation.

1. For certified fluoroscopic systems with or without a spot film device, neither the length nor the width of the X-ray field in the plane of the image receptor shall exceed that of the visible area of the image receptor by more than 3 percent of the SID. The sum of the excess length and the excess width shall be no greater than 4 percent of the SID.

2. For uncertified fluoroscopic systems with a spot film device, the X-ray beam with the shutter fully opened (during fluoroscopy or spot filming) shall be no larger than the largest spot film size for which the device is designed. Measurements shall be made at the maximum SID available but at no less than 20 centimeters from the tabletop to the film plane distance.

3. For uncertified fluoroscopic systems without a spot film device, the requirements of 41.1(5)“a”(2)“1” apply.

4. Other requirements for fluoroscopic beam limitation:

- Means shall be provided to permit further limitation of the field. Beam-limiting devices manufactured after May 22, 1979, and incorporated in equipment with a variable SID or a visible area of greater than 300 square centimeters shall be provided with means for stepless adjustment of the X-ray field;

- All equipment with a fixed SID and a visible area of 300 square centimeters or less shall be provided either with stepless adjustment of the X-ray field or with means to further limit the X-ray field size at the plane of the image receptor to 125 square centimeters or less;

- If provided, stepless adjustment shall, at the greatest SID, provide continuous field sizes from the maximum attainable to a field size of 5 centimeters by 5 centimeters or less;

- For equipment manufactured after February 25, 1978, when the angle between the image receptor and beam axis is variable, means shall be provided to indicate when the axis of the X-ray beam is perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor;

- For noncircular X-ray fields used with circular image receptors, the error in alignment shall be determined along the length and width dimensions of the X-ray field which pass through the center of the visible area of the image receptor.

(3) Spot-film beam limitation. Spot-film devices shall meet the following requirements:

1. Means shall be provided between the source and the patient for adjustment of the X-ray field size in the plane of the film to the size of that portion of the film which has been selected on the spot-film selector. Such adjustment shall be automatically accomplished except when the X-ray field size in the plane of the film is smaller than that of the selected portion of the film. For spot-film devices manufactured after June 21, 1979, if the X-ray field size is less than the size of the selected portion of the film, the means for adjustment of the field size shall be only at the operator’s option;

2. Neither the length nor the width of the X-ray field in the plane of the image receptor shall differ from the corresponding dimensions of the selected portion of the image receptor by more than 3 percent of the SID when adjusted for full coverage of the selected portion of the image receptor. The sum, without regard to sign, of the length and width differences shall not exceed 4 percent of the SID;

3. It shall be possible to adjust the X-ray field size in the plane of the film to a size smaller than the selected portion of the film. The minimum field size at the greatest SID shall be equal to, or less than, 5 centimeters by 5 centimeters;

4. The center of the X-ray field in the plane of the film shall be aligned with the center of the selected portion of the film to within 2 percent of the SID; and

5. On spot-film devices manufactured after February 25, 1978, if the angle between the plane of the image receptor and beam axis is variable, means shall be provided to indicate when the axis of the X-ray beam is perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor, and compliance shall be determined with the beam axis indicated to be perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor.

(4) Override. If a means exists to override any of the automatic X-ray field size adjustments required in 41.1(5) "a"(2) and 41.1(5) "a"(3), that means:

1. Shall be designed for use only in the event of system failure;
2. Shall incorporate a signal visible at the fluoroscopist's position which will indicate whenever the automatic field size adjustment is overridden; and
3. Shall have a clear and durable label as follows:

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*b.* Activation of the fluoroscopic tube. X-ray production in the fluoroscopic mode shall be controlled by a device which requires continuous pressure by the fluoroscopist for the entire time of any exposure. When recording serial fluoroscopic images, the fluoroscopist shall be able to terminate the X-ray exposure(s) at any time, but means may be provided to permit completion of any single exposure of the series in process.

*c.* Exposure rate limits.

(1) Entrance exposure rate allowable limits.

1. Fluoroscopic equipment which is provided with automatic exposure rate control shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which will result in an exposure rate in excess of 2.6 mC/kg (10 roentgens) per minute at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient, except

- During recording of fluoroscopic images; or
- When an optional high level control is provided. When so provided, the equipment shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which will result in an exposure rate in excess of 5 roentgens (1.3 mC/kg) per minute at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient unless the high level control is activated. Special means of activation of high level controls shall be required. The high level control shall only be operable when continuous manual activation is provided by the operator. A continuous signal audible to the fluoroscopist shall indicate that the high level control is being employed.

2. Fluoroscopic equipment which is not provided with automatic exposure rate control shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which will result in an exposure rate in excess of 5 roentgens (1.3 mC/kg) per minute at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient, except:

- During recording of fluoroscopic images; or
- When the mode or modes have an optional high level control, in which case the mode or modes shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which shall result in an exposure rate in excess of 5 roentgens (1.3 mC/kg) per minute at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient, unless the high level control is activated. Special means of activation of high level controls shall be required. The high level control shall only be operable when continuous manual activation is provided by the operator. A continuous signal audible to the fluoroscopist shall indicate that the high level control is being employed.

3. Compliance with the requirements of 41.1(5) "c" shall be determined as follows:

- If the source is below the table, exposure rate shall be measured 1 centimeter above the tabletop or cradle;

- If the source is above the table, the exposure rate shall be measured at 30 centimeters above the tabletop with the end of the beam-limiting device or spacer positioned as closely as possible to the point of measurement;

- All C-arm fluoroscopes, both stationary and mobile, shall meet the entrance exposure rate limits at 30 centimeters from the input surface of the fluoroscopic imaging assembly with the source positioned at any available SID provided that the end of the spacer assembly or beam-limiting device is not closer than 30 centimeters from the input surface of the fluoroscopic imaging assembly.

- For a lateral type fluoroscope, the exposure rate shall be measured at a point 15 centimeters from the centerline of the X-ray table and in the direction of the X-ray source with the end of the beam-limiting device or spacer positioned as closely as possible to the point of measurement. If the tabletop is movable, it shall be positioned as closely as possible to the lateral X-ray source, with the end of the beam-limiting device or spacer no closer than 15 centimeters to the centerline of the X-ray table.

4. Fluoroscopic equipment which is provided with both automatic exposure rate control mode and a manual mode shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which shall result in an exposure rate in excess of 10 roentgens (2.6 mC/kg) per minute in either mode at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient, except:

- During recording of fluoroscopic images; or
- When the mode or modes have an optional high level control, in which case the mode or modes shall not be operable at any combination of tube potential and current which shall result in an exposure rate in excess of 5 roentgens (1.3 mC/kg) per minute at the point where the center of the useful beam enters the patient, unless the high level control is activated. Special means of activation of high level controls shall be required. The high level control shall only be operable when continuous manual activation is provided by the operator. A continuous signal audible to the fluoroscopist shall indicate that the high level control is being employed.

5. Any fluoroscopic equipment manufactured after May 19, 1995, which can exceed 5 roentgens (1.3 mC/kg) per minute shall be equipped with an automatic exposure rate control. All entrance exposure rate limits shall be 10 roentgens (2.6 mC/kg) per minute with an upper limit of 20 roentgens (5.2 mC/kg) per minute when the high level control is activated.

6. Conditions of periodic measurement of maximum entrance exposure rate are as follows:

- The measurement shall be made under the conditions that satisfy the requirements of 41.1(5) "c"(1)"3";

- The kVp, mA, or other selectable parameters shall be adjusted to those settings which give the maximum entrance exposure rate;

- The X-ray system(s) that incorporates automatic exposure rate control shall have sufficient attenuative material placed in the useful beam to produce either a milliamperage or kilovoltage or both to satisfy the conditions of 41.1(5) "c"(1)"3."

(2) Reserved.

d. Barrier transmitted radiation rate limits.

(1) The exposure rate due to transmission through the primary protective barrier with the attenuation block in the useful beam, combined with radiation from the image intensifier, if provided, shall not exceed 2 milliroentgens (0.516  $\mu$ C/kg) per hour at 10 centimeters from any accessible surface of the fluoroscopic imaging assembly beyond the plane of the image receptor for each roentgen per minute of entrance exposure rate.

(2) Measuring compliance of barrier transmission.

1. The exposure rate due to transmission through the primary protective barrier combined with radiation from the image intensifier shall be determined by measurements averaged over an area of 100 square centimeters with no linear dimension greater than 20 centimeters.

2. If the source is below the tabletop, the measurement shall be made with the input surface of the fluoroscopic imaging assembly positioned 30 centimeters above the tabletop.

3. If the source is above the tabletop and the SID is variable, the measurement shall be made with the end of the beam-limiting device or spacer as close to the tabletop as it can be placed, provided that it shall not be closer than 30 centimeters.



4. Movable grids and compression devices shall be removed from the useful beam during the measurement.

*e.* Indication of potential and current. During fluoroscopy and cinefluorography the kV and the mA shall be continuously indicated.

*f.* Source-to-skin distance. The SSD shall not be less than:

- (1) 38 centimeters on stationary fluoroscopes installed on or after August 1, 1974,
  - (2) 35.5 centimeters on stationary fluoroscopes which were in operation prior to August 1, 1974,
  - (3) 30 centimeters on all mobile fluoroscopes, and
  - (4) 20 centimeters for mobile fluoroscopes used for specific surgical application.
- (5) The written safety procedures must provide precautionary measures to be adhered to during the use of this device in addition to the procedures provided in 41.1(3) "a"(4).

*g.* Fluoroscopic timer.

(1) Means shall be provided to preset the cumulative on-time of the fluoroscopic X-ray tube. The maximum cumulative time of the timing device shall not exceed five minutes without resetting.

(2) A signal audible to the fluoroscopist shall indicate the completion of any preset cumulative on-time. Such signal shall continue to sound while X-rays are produced until the timing device is reset.

*h.* Control of scattered radiation.

(1) Fluoroscopic table designs when combined with procedures utilized shall be such that no unprotected part of any staff or ancillary individual's body shall be exposed to unattenuated scattered radiation which originates from under the table. The attenuation required shall be not less than 0.25 millimeter lead equivalent.

(2) Equipment configuration when combined with procedures shall be such that no portion of any staff or ancillary individual's body, except the extremities, shall be exposed to the unattenuated scattered radiation emanating from above the tabletop unless that individual:

1. Is at least 120 centimeters from the center of the useful beam, or
2. The radiation has passed through not less than 0.25 millimeter lead equivalent material including, but not limited to, drapes, Bucky-slot cover panel, or self-supporting curtains, in addition to any lead equivalency provided by the protective apron referred to in 41.1(3) "a"(5).

(3) The agency may grant exemptions to 41.1(5) "h"(2) where a sterile field will not permit the use of the normal protective barriers. Where the use of prefitted sterilized covers for the barriers is practical, the agency shall not permit such exemption.

*i.* Spot-film exposure reproducibility. Fluoroscopic systems equipped with spot-film (radiographic) mode shall meet the exposure reproducibility requirements of 41.1(6) "d" when operating in the spot-film mode.

*j.* Radiation therapy simulation systems. Radiation therapy simulation systems shall be exempt from all the requirements of 41.1(5) "a," "c," "d," and "g" provided that:

(1) Such systems are designed and used in such a manner that no individual other than the patient is in the X-ray room during periods of time when the system is producing X-rays; and

(2) Systems which do not meet the requirements of 41.1(5) "g" are provided with a means of indicating the cumulative time that an individual patient has been exposed to X-rays. Procedures shall require in such cases that the timer be reset between examinations.

*k.* Dose-area-product monitor requirements.

(1) All fluoroscopic equipment installed after July 1, 2002, and used for special procedures (e.g., pacemaker implantation, diagnostic cardiac procedures (catheterization), and therapeutic cardiac procedures (angioplasty-balloon; stent; directional coronary atherectomy; rotational atherectomy; laser atherectomy; radio frequency ablation; and intravascular brachytherapy)) shall be equipped with a dose-area-product monitor capable of recording the total radiation dose received by a patient when the fluoroscopic tube is used. Equipment used and installed prior to July 1, 2002, shall be retrofitted with the radiation exposure device by January 1, 2004.

(2) Each facility using fluoroscopic equipment for special procedures shall include in the patient's chart and in a log for agency review the patient radiation exposure received per procedure. Adult doses that exceed 300 rad and doses for children (under the age of 18) that exceed 100 rad must be reviewed by

the facility's radiation safety committee. The review must document the reason why a dose exceeded 300 rad for adults or 100 rad for children, and the reason must be documented in the committee's minutes. If a facility does not have a radiation safety committee, the facility must provide the agency, within 30 days of the event, documentation stating why the patient's dose exceeded 300 rad for adults or 100 rad for children. Also, if the patient doses noted above are exceeded, the patient's physician must do a follow-up examination of the patient to determine if there is any evidence of dose recorded reaction and to ensure that proper treatment is rendered.

(3) All fluoroscopic radiation detection devices in this subrule shall be calibrated annually or after repair or replacement.

*l.* Equipment operation.

(1) All imaging formed by the use of fluoroscopic X-ray systems shall be directly viewed and interpreted by a licensed practitioner of the healing arts.

(2) The use of fluoroscopic X-ray systems by radiologic technologists and students shall be performed under the direct supervision of a licensed practitioner of the healing arts for the purpose of localization to obtain images for diagnostic purposes. The use of fluoroscopic X-ray systems by radiologic assistants shall be as defined in 641—42.6(136C).

(3) Overhead fluoroscopy shall not be used as a positioning tool for general purpose radiographic examinations.

(4) Facilities that use fluoroscopic X-ray systems shall maintain a record of cumulative fluoroscopic exposure time used and the number of spot films for each examination. This record shall indicate patient identification, type of examination, date of examination, and operator's name.

*m.* Additional requirements for stationary fluoroscopic systems used for cardiac catheterization procedures.

(1) Protective barriers shall be available for use by individuals whose presence is required in the room during activation of the X-ray tube(s). If a protective barrier includes or consists of a transparent viewing panel, the viewing panel shall afford protection of not less than 0.5 millimeter of lead equivalent.

(2) Protective aprons of not less than 0.25 millimeter of lead equivalent shall be worn in the fluoroscopy room by all individuals (except the patient). Any individual required to be in the room for short periods of time may not be required to wear a protective apron if exposure levels below minimum as seen on film badge reports can be verified. Individuals not using protective aprons should follow ALARA by using time and distance to reduce exposure. Any declared pregnant individual must meet the requirements of 641—40.22(136C).

**41.1(6)** *Radiographic systems other than fluoroscopic, dental intraoral, veterinary, or computed tomography X-ray systems.*

*a.* Beam limitation. The useful beam shall be limited to the area of clinical interest. This shall be considered met if a positive beam-limiting device meeting manufacturer's specifications and the requirements of 41.1(6) "h"(2) have been properly used or if evidence of collimation is shown on at least three sides or three corners of the film (for example, projections from the shutters of the collimator, cone cutting at the corners, or borders at the film's edge.)

(1) General purpose stationary and mobile X-ray systems and veterinarian systems (other than portable) installed after July 1, 1998.

1. Only X-ray systems provided with means for independent stepless adjustment of at least two dimensions of the X-ray field shall be used.

2. A method shall be provided for visually defining the perimeter of the X-ray field.

- Illuminance shall be greater than 7.5 foot-candles or 80.3 LUX at 100 centimeters or maximum SID whichever is less.

- The total misalignment of the edges of the visually defined field with the respective edges of the X-ray field along either the length or width of the visually defined field shall not exceed 2 percent of the distance from the source to the center of the visually defined field when the surface upon which it appears is perpendicular to the axis of the X-ray beam.

3. The agency may grant an exemption on noncertified X-ray systems to 41.1(6) "a"(1) "1" and "2" provided the registrant makes a written application for such exemption and in that application

demonstrates it is impractical to comply with 41.1(6)“a”(1)“1” and “2”; and the purpose of 41.1(6)“a”(1)“1” and “2” will be met by other methods.

(2) Additional requirements for stationary general purpose X-ray systems. In addition to the requirements of 41.1(6)“a”(1), stationary general purpose X-ray systems, both certified and noncertified, shall meet the following requirements:

1. A method shall be provided to indicate when the axis of the X-ray beam is perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor, to align the center of the X-ray field with respect to the center of the image receptor to within 2 percent of the SID, and to indicate the SID to within 2 percent;

2. The beam-limiting device shall indicate numerically the field size in the plane of the image receptor to which it is adjusted; and

3. Indication of field size dimensions and SIDs shall be specified in inches or centimeters, and shall be such that aperture adjustments result in X-ray field dimensions in the plane of the image receptor which correspond to those indicated by the beam-limiting device to within 2 percent of the SID when the beam axis is indicated to be perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor.

(3) X-ray systems designed for one image receptor size. Radiographic equipment designed for only one image receptor size at a fixed SID shall be provided with means to limit the field at the plane of the image receptor to dimensions no greater than those of the image receptor, and to align the center of the X-ray field with the center of the image receptor to within 2 percent of the SID, or shall be provided with means to both size and align the X-ray field such that the X-ray field at the plane of the image receptor does not extend beyond any edge of the image receptor.

(4) Systems designed for or provided with special attachments for mammography. Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

(5) X-ray systems other than those described in 41.1(6)“a”(1), (2), and (3), and veterinary systems installed prior to July 1, 1998, and all portable veterinary X-ray systems.

1. Means shall be provided to limit the X-ray field in the plane of the image receptor so that such field does not exceed each dimension of the image receptor by more than 2 percent of the SID when the axis of the X-ray beam is perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor.

2. Means shall be provided to align the center of the X-ray field with the center of the image receptor to within 2 percent of the SID, or means shall be provided to both size and align the X-ray field such that the X-ray field at the plane of the image receptor does not extend beyond any edge of the image receptor. Compliance shall be determined with the axis of the X-ray beam perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor.

3. 41.1(6)“a”(5)“1” and “2” may be met with a system that meets the requirements for a general purpose X-ray system as specified in 41.1(6)“a”(1) or, when alignment means are also provided, may be met with either:

- An assortment of removable, fixed-aperture, beam-limiting devices sufficient to meet the requirement for each combination of image receptor size and SID for which the unit is designed with each such device having clear and permanent markings to indicate the image receptor size and SID for which it is designed; or

- A beam-limiting device having multiple fixed apertures sufficient to meet the requirement for each combination of image receptor size and SID for which the unit is designed. Permanent, clearly legible markings shall indicate the image receptor size and SID for which each aperture is designed and shall indicate which aperture is in position for use.

b. Radiation exposure control devices.

(1) Timers.

1. Means shall be provided to initiate the radiation exposure by a deliberate action on the part of the operator, such as the depression of a switch. Radiation exposure shall not be initiated without such an action.

2. Means shall be provided to terminate the exposure at a preset time interval, preset product of current and time, a preset number of pulses, or a preset radiation exposure to the image receptor. In addition, it shall not be possible to make an exposure when the timer is set to a “zero” or “off” position if

either position is provided. Except for dental panoramic systems, termination of an exposure shall cause automatic resetting of the timer to its initial setting or to “zero.”

(2) X-ray control.

1. Manual exposure control. An X-ray control shall be incorporated into each X-ray system such that an exposure can be terminated by the operator at any time except for exposure of one-half second or less, or during serial radiography when means shall be provided to permit completion of any single exposure of the series in process.

2. Each X-ray control shall be located in such a way as to meet the following requirements: Stationary X-ray systems (except podiatry and veterinary units) shall be required to have the X-ray exposure switch permanently mounted in a protected area so that the operator is required to remain in that protected area during the entire exposure and so that the operator can view the patient while making any exposures; and mobile and portable X-ray systems which are:

- Used for greater than one week in the same location, i.e., a room or suite, shall meet the requirements of 41.1(6)“b”(2)“2”; or

- Used for greater than one hour and less than one week at the same location, i.e., a room or suite, or in a clinical setting for routine extremities only, or where moving the X-ray system from room to room is impractical, shall meet the requirement of the above paragraph or be provided with a 6.5 foot (1.98 m) high protective barrier which is placed at least 2.7 meters (9 feet) from the tube housing assembly. Written procedures must instruct the operator to remain in the protected area during the entire exposure. Stationary podiatric systems which do not meet the above requirements shall be provided with a 9-foot exposure button cord which allows the operator to remain behind a protective barrier during the entire exposure. If the protective barrier is moveable, written procedures must be on file at the facility, which dictate that the operator will remain behind the barrier during the entire exposure.

3. The X-ray control shall provide visual indication observable at or from the operator’s protected position whenever X-rays are produced. In addition, a signal audible to the operator shall indicate that the exposure has terminated.

(3) Automatic exposure controls. When an automatic exposure control is provided:

1. Indication shall be made on the control panel when this mode of operation is selected;

2. If the X-ray tube potential is equal to or greater than 50 kVp, the minimum exposure time for field emission equipment rated for pulsed operation shall be equal to or less than a time interval equivalent to 2 pulses;

3. The minimum exposure time for all equipment other than that specified in 41.1(6)“b”(3)“2” shall be equal to or less than one-sixtieth second or a time interval required to deliver 5 mAs, whichever is greater;

4. Either the product of peak X-ray tube potential, current, and exposure time shall be limited to not more than 60 kW per exposure, or the product of X-ray tube current and exposure time shall be limited to not more than 600 mAs per exposure except that, when the X-ray tube potential is less than 50 kVp, the product of X-ray tube current and exposure time shall be limited to not more than 2000 mAs per exposure; and

5. A visible signal shall indicate when an exposure has been terminated at the limits required by 41.1(6)“b”(3)“4,” and manual resetting shall be required before further automatically timed exposures can be made.

(4) Reproducibility. With a timer setting of 0.5 seconds or less, the average exposure period ( $\bar{T}$ ) shall be greater than or equal to five times the maximum exposure period ( $T_{\max}$ ) minus the minimum exposure period ( $T_{\min}$ ) when four timer tests are performed:

$$\bar{T} \geq 5 (T_{\max} - T_{\min})$$

(5) Exposure duration (timer) linearity. For systems having independent selection of exposure time settings, the average ratios ( $X_1$ ) of exposure to the indicated timer setting, in units of C kg<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> (mR/s), obtained at any two clinically used timer settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum. This is written as:

$$(X_1 - X_2) \leq 0.1 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average  $C \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$  (mR/s) values.

c. Source-to-skin distance. All mobile or portable radiographic systems shall be provided with means to limit the source-to-skin distance to equal to or greater than 30 centimeters except for veterinary systems.

d. Exposure reproducibility. When all technique factors are held constant, including control panel selections associated with automatic exposure control systems, the coefficient of variation of exposure for both manual and automatic exposure control systems shall not exceed 0.05. This requirement applies to clinically used techniques.

e. Radiation from capacitor energy storage equipment in standby status. Radiation emitted from the X-ray tube when the system is fully charged and the exposure switch or timer is not activated shall not exceed a rate of 2 milliroentgens ( $0.516 \mu\text{C}/\text{kg}$ ) per hour at 5 centimeters from any accessible surface of the diagnostic source assembly, with the beam-limiting device fully open.

f. Accuracy. Deviation of measured technique factors from indicated values of kVp and exposure time shall not exceed the limits specified for that system by its manufacturer. In the absence of manufacturer's specifications, the deviation shall not exceed 10 percent of the indicated value for kVp and 20 percent for time.

g. mA/mAs linearity. The following requirements apply when the equipment is operated on a power supply as specified by the manufacturer for any fixed X-ray tube potential within the range of 40 percent to 100 percent of the maximum rated:

(1) Equipment having independent selection of X-ray tube current (mA). The average ratios ( $X_i$ ) of exposure to the indicated milliamperere-seconds product ( $C \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{mAs}^{-1}$  (or mR/mAs)) obtained at any two consecutive tube current settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum:

$$X_1 - X_2 \leq 0.10 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average values obtained at each of two consecutive tube current settings, or at two settings differing by no more than a factor of 2 where the tube current selection is continuous.

(2) Equipment having a combined X-ray tube current-exposure time product (mAs) selector, but not a separate tube current (mA) selector. The average ratios ( $X_i$ ) of exposure to the indicated milliamperere-seconds product, in units of mR/mAs (or  $C \text{ kg}^{-1}\text{mAs}^{-1}$ ), obtained at any two consecutive mAs selector settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum:

$$X_1 - X_2 \leq 0.10 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average values obtained at any two consecutive mAs selector settings, or at two settings differing by no more than a factor of 2 where the mAs selector provides continuous selection.

(3) Measuring compliance. Determination of compliance shall be based on 10 exposures taken within a time period of one hour, at each of the two settings. These two settings may include any two focal spot sizes except where one is equal to or less than 0.45 millimeters and the other is greater than 0.45 millimeters. For purposes of this requirement, focal spot size is the nominal focal spot size specified by the X-ray tube manufacturer.

h. Additional requirements applicable to certified systems only. Diagnostic X-ray systems incorporating one or more certified component(s) shall be required to comply with the following additional requirement(s) which relate to that certified component(s).

(1) Beam limitation for stationary and mobile general purpose X-ray systems.

1. There shall be provided a means of stepless adjustment of the X-ray field. The minimum field size at an SID of 100 centimeters shall be equal to or less than 5 centimeters by 5 centimeters.

2. When a light localizer is used to define the X-ray field, it shall provide an average illumination of not less than 160 lux or 15 foot-candles at 100 centimeters or at the maximum SID, whichever is less.

The average illumination shall be based upon measurements made in the approximate center of each quadrant of the light field. Radiation therapy simulation systems manufactured on and after May 27, 1980, are exempt from this requirement.

3. The edge of the light field at 100 centimeters or at the maximum SID, whichever is less, shall have a contrast ratio, corrected for ambient lighting, of not less than 4 in the case of beam-limiting devices designed for use on stationary equipment, and a contrast ratio of not less than 3 in the case of beam-limiting devices designed for use on mobile equipment. The contrast ratio is defined as  $I_1/I_2$  where  $I_1$  is the illumination 3 millimeters from the edge of the light field toward the center of the field; and  $I_2$  is the illumination 3 millimeters from the edge of the light field away from the center of the field. Compliance shall be determined with a measuring instrument aperture of 1 millimeter in diameter.

(2) Beam limitation and alignment on stationary general purpose X-ray systems equipped with PBL. If PBL is being used, the following requirements shall be met:

1. PBL shall prevent the production of X-rays when

- Either the length or width of the X-ray field in the plane of the image receptor differs, except as permitted by 41.1(6) "h"(3), from the corresponding image receptor dimensions by more than 3 percent of the SID; or

- The sum of the length and width differences as stated in 41.1(6) "h"(2)"1" above without regard to sign exceeds 4 percent of the SID;

2. Compliance with 41.1(6) "h"(2)"1" shall be determined when the equipment indicates that the beam axis is perpendicular to the plane of the image receptor. Compliance shall be determined no sooner than 5 seconds after insertion of the image receptor;

3. The PBL system shall be capable of operation, at the discretion of the operator, such that the size of the field may be made smaller than the size of the image receptor through stepless adjustment of the field size. The minimum field size at an SID of 100 centimeters shall be equal to or less than 5 centimeters by 5 centimeters;

4. The PBL system shall be designed such that if a change in image receptor does not cause an automatic return to PBL function as described in 41.1(6) "h"(2)"1," then any change of image receptor size or SID must cause the automatic return.

(3) Beam limitation for portable X-ray systems. Beam limitation for portable X-ray systems shall meet the beam limitation requirements of 41.1(6) "a" or 41.1(6) "h"(2).

*i.* Tube stands for portable X-ray systems. A tube stand or other mechanical support shall be used for portable X-ray systems, so that the X-ray tube housing assembly need not be handheld during exposures.

*j.* Systems used in a clinical (nonsurgical) setting shall be restricted to one room within a location or suite which meets the requirements of 41.1(3) "d."

**41.1(7) Intraoral dental radiographic systems.** In addition to the provisions of 41.1(3) and 41.1(4), the requirements of 41.1(7) apply to X-ray equipment and associated facilities used for dental radiography. Requirements for extraoral dental radiographic systems are covered in 41.1(6). Only systems meeting the requirements of 41.1(7) shall be used.

*a. Source-to-skin distance.* X-ray systems designed for use with an intraoral image receptor shall be provided with means to limit source-to-skin distance to not less than:

(1) 18 centimeters if operable above 50 kVp, or

(2) 10 centimeters if not operable above 50 kVp.

*b. Beam limitation.* Radiographic systems designed for use with an intraoral image receptor shall be provided with means to limit the X-ray beam such that:

(1) If the minimum source-to-skin distance (SSD) is 18 centimeters or more, the X-ray field, at the minimum SSD, shall be containable in a circle having a diameter of no more than 7 centimeters; and

(2) If the minimum SSD is less than 18 centimeters, the X-ray field, at the minimum SSD, shall be containable in a circle having a diameter of no more than 6 centimeters.

(3) The position indicating device shall be shielded and open-ended. The shielding shall be equivalent to the requirements of 41.1(4) "c."

*c. Exposure control.*

## (1) Exposure initiation.

1. Means shall be provided to initiate the radiation exposure by a deliberate action on the part of the operator, such as the depression of a switch. Radiation exposure shall not be initiated without such an action; and

2. It shall not be possible to make an exposure when the timer is set to a “zero” or “off” position if either position is provided.

(2) Exposure indication. Means shall be provided for visual indication observable at or from the operator’s protected position whenever X-rays are produced. In addition, a signal audible to the operator shall indicate that the exposure has terminated except in X-ray systems that cannot be altered to meet this requirement.

## (3) Exposure termination.

1. Means shall be provided to terminate the exposure at a preset time interval, preset product of current and time, a preset number of pulses, or a preset radiation exposure to the image receptor. In addition:

2. Termination of exposure shall cause automatic resetting of the timer to its initial setting or to “zero.”

3. An X-ray control shall be incorporated into each X-ray system such that an exposure can be terminated by the operator at any time, except for exposures of one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) second or less.

(4) Exposure duration (timer) linearity. For systems having independent selection of exposure time settings, the average ratios ( $X_1$ ) of exposure to the indicated timer setting, in units of  $C\ kg^{-2}s^{-1}$  (mR/s), obtained at any two clinically used timer settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum. This is written as:

$$(X_1 - X_2) \leq 0.1 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average values.

(5) Each X-ray exposure switch shall be located in such a way as to meet the following requirements:

1. Stationary X-ray systems shall be required to have the X-ray exposure switch located in a protected area or have an exposure switch cord of sufficient length to permit the operator to activate the unit while in a protected area, e.g., corridor outside the operator. The procedures required under 41.1(3) “a”(4) must instruct the operator to remain in the protected area during the entire exposure.

2. Mobile and portable X-ray systems which are:

- Used for greater than one week in the same location, i.e., a room or suite, shall meet the requirements of 41.1(7) “c”(5) “1.”

- Used for greater than one hour and less than one week at the same location, i.e., a room or suite, shall meet the requirements of the above paragraph or be provided with a 6.5 foot (1.98 m) high protective barrier or means to allow the operator to be at least 9 feet (2.7 meters) from the tube housing assembly while making exposure.

3. Portable or hand-held dental X-ray systems designed with a backscatter shield may be used without the additional protective barrier, but the operator must wear a protective apron. The operator must stand directly behind the unit to allow the shield to function as designed.

*d. Reproducibility.* When the equipment is operated on an adequate power supply as specified by the manufacturer, the estimated coefficient of variation of radiation exposures shall be no greater than 0.05, for any specific combination of selected technique factors.

*e. mA/mS linearity.* The following requirements apply when the equipment is operated on a power supply as specified by the manufacturer for any fixed X-ray tube potential within the range of 40 percent to 100 percent of the maximum rated.

(1) Equipment having independent selection of X-ray tube current (mA). The average ratios ( $X_1$ ) of exposure to the indicated milliamperere-seconds product, in units of  $C\ kg^{-1}\ mAs^{-1}$  (or mR/mAs), obtained at any two consecutive tube current settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum:

$$(X_1 - X_2) \leq 0.1 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average values obtained at each of two consecutive tube current settings, or at two settings differing by no more than a factor of 2 where the tube current selection is continuous.

(2) Equipment having a combined X-ray tube current-exposure time product (mAs) selector, but not a separate tube current (mA) selector. The average ratios ( $X_1$ ) of exposure to the indicated milliamperere-seconds product, in units of  $C \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ mAs}^{-1}$  (or mR/mAs), obtained at any two consecutive mAs selector settings shall not differ by more than 0.10 times their sum:

$$(X_1 - X_2) \leq 0.1 (X_1 + X_2)$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the average values obtained at any two mAs selector settings, or at two settings differing by no more than a factor of 2 where the mAs selector provides continuous selection.

(3) Measuring compliance. Determination of compliance shall be based on 10 exposures taken within a time period of one hour, at each of the two settings. These two settings may include any two focal spot sizes except where one is equal to or less than 0.45 millimeters and the other is greater than 0.45 millimeters. For purposes of this requirement, focal spot size is the nominal focal spot size specified by the X-ray tube manufacturer.

*f. Accuracy.* Deviation of technique factors from indicated values for kVp and exposure time (if time is independently selectable) shall not exceed the limits specified for that system by its manufacturer. In the absence of manufacturer's specifications the deviation shall not exceed 10 percent of the indicated value for kVp and 20 percent for time.

*g. kVp limitations.* Dental X-ray machine with a nominal fixed kVp of less than 50 kVp shall not be used to make diagnostic dental radiographs of humans.

*h. Administrative controls.*

(1) Patient and film holding devices shall be used when the techniques permit.  
 (2) The tube housing and the PID shall not be hand-held during an exposure.  
 (3) The X-ray system shall be operated in such a manner that the useful beam at the patient's skin does not exceed the requirements of 41.1(7) "b"(1).

(4) Dental fluoroscopy without image intensification shall not be used.

*i. Portable or hand-held dental X-ray systems.* Portable or hand-held dental X-ray systems designed with a backscatter shield shall:

- (1) Be used only where it is impractical to use a portable dental system;
- (2) Be used as the manufacturer indicates;
- (3) Not be used with the backscatter shield removed, if applicable; and
- (4) Be exempted from 41.1(4) "g."

**41.1(8)** Rescinded IAB 6/4/97, effective 7/9/97.

**41.1(9)** *Bone densitometry units.*

*a.* No additional shielding for the room is required.

*b.* Film badges, OSL devices, or TLDs must be issued for the first six months to all personnel operating the unit. If monitoring indicates no exposure, the IDPH may allow discontinuance of monitoring upon written request. When new procedures are started that have not been previously monitored, monitoring must be reinstated for six months and another request for discontinuance submitted to the agency.

*c.* Operators, other than physicians, must possess a health education background to include anatomy and physiology and must complete the manufacturer's training session pertaining to bone densitometry or equivalent. A permit to practice for operators is not required.

*d.* Specific operating procedures must be prepared and made available at the operator's position.

*e.* Bone densitometry on human patients shall be conducted only under a prescription of a licensed physician, a licensed physician assistant as defined in Iowa Code section 148C.1, subsection 6, or a licensed registered nurse who is registered as an advanced registered nurse practitioner pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.



*f.* During the operation of the bone densitometry system:

(1) The operator, ancillary personnel, and members of the general public shall be positioned at least one meter from the patient and bone densitometry system during the examination.

(2) The operator shall advise the patient that the bone densitometry examination is a type of X-ray procedure.

*g.* Equipment shall be maintained and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. Records of maintenance shall be kept for inspection by the agency.

**41.1(10) Veterinary medicine radiographic installations.**

*a. Equipment.*

(1) The protective tube housing shall be equivalent to the requirements of 41.1(4)“c.”

(2) Diaphragms or cones shall be provided for collimating the useful beam to the area of clinical interest and shall provide the same degree of protection as is required of the housing.

(3) The total filtration permanently in the useful beam shall not be less than 0.5 millimeters aluminum equivalent for machines operating up to 50 kVp, 1.5 millimeters aluminum equivalent for machines operating between 50 and 70 kVp, and 2.5 millimeters aluminum equivalent for machines operating above 70 kVp.

*b. Operator protection.*

(1) All wall, ceiling, and floor areas shall be equivalent to or provided with applicable protective barriers to ensure compliance with 641—40.15(136C) and 40.21(136C) and subrule 40.26(1).

(2) All stationary, mobile or portable X-ray systems shall be provided with either a 2 meter (6.5 feet) high protective barrier for operator protections during exposures, or shall be provided with means to allow the operator to be at least 2.7 meters (9 feet) from the tube housing assembly during exposures.

*c. Operating procedures.* Veterinary medicine radiographic installations are exempt from the requirements of 641—41.1(136C) except for 641—subrules 41.1(3) and 41.1(10).

(1) No individual other than the operator shall be in the X-ray room while exposures are being made unless such individual's assistance is required, and

(2) The operator shall stand behind the protective barrier of 9 feet from the useful beam and the animal during radiographic exposures, or

(3) When an animal must be held in position during radiography, mechanical supporting or restraining devices should be used. If the animal must be held by an individual, that individual shall be protected with appropriate shielding devices, such as protective gloves and apron, and shall be so positioned that no part of the holder's body will be struck by the useful beam. The exposure of any individual used for this purpose shall be monitored.

**41.1(11) Computed tomography X-ray systems.**

*a. Definitions.* In addition to the definitions provided in 641—38.2(136C), 641—40.2(136C), and 41.1(2), the following definitions shall be applicable to 41.1(11):

“*Computed tomography dose index*” means the integral from  $-7T$  to  $+7T$  of the dose profile along a line perpendicular to the tomographic plane divided by the product of the nominal tomographic section thickness and the number of tomograms produced in a single scan, that is:

$$\overline{\text{CTDI}} = \frac{1}{nT} \int_{-7T}^{+7T} D(z) dz$$

where:

$z$  = Position along a line perpendicular to the tomographic plane.

$D(z)$  = Dose at position  $z$ .

$T$  = Nominal tomographic section thickness.

$n$  = Number of tomograms produced in a single scan.

This definition assumes that the dose profile is centered around  $z = 0$  and that, for a multiple tomogram system, the scan increment between adjacent scans is  $nT$ .

“*Contrast scale*” means the change in the linear attenuation coefficient per CTN relative to water, that is:

$$\overline{CS} = \frac{\mu_x - \mu_w}{\overline{CTN}_x - \overline{CTN}_w}$$

where:

$\mu_x$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of the material of interest.

$\mu_w$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of water.

$\overline{CTN}_x$  = of the material of interest.

$\overline{CTN}_w$  = of water.

“*CS*” (see “*Contrast scale*”).

“*CT conditions of operation*” means all selectable parameters governing the operation of a CT X-ray system including, but not limited to, nominal tomographic section thickness, filtration, and the technique factors as defined in 41.1(2).

“*CTDI*” (see “*Computed tomography dose index*”).

“*CT gantry*” means the tube housing assemblies, beam-limiting devices, detectors, and the supporting structures and frames which hold these components.

“*CTN*” (see “*CT number*”).

“*CT number*” means the number used to represent the X-ray attenuation associated with each elemental area of the CT image.

$$\overline{CTN} = \frac{k(\mu_x - \mu_w)}{\mu_w}$$

where:

$k$  = A constant. (The constant has a normal value of 1,000 when the Hounsfield scale of CTN is used.)

$\mu_x$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of the material of interest.

$\mu_w$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of water.

“*Dose profile*” means the dose as a function of position along a line.

“*Elemental area*” means the smallest area within a tomogram for which the X-ray attenuation properties of a body are depicted (see also “*Picture element*”).

“*Multiple tomogram system*” means a computed tomography X-ray system which obtains X-ray transmission data simultaneously during a single scan to produce more than one tomogram.

“*Noise*” means the standard deviation of the fluctuation in CTN expressed as a percentage of the attenuation coefficient of water. Its estimate ( $S_n$ ) is calculated using the following expression:

$$S_n = \frac{100 \cdot \overline{CS} \cdot s}{\mu_w}$$

where:

$\overline{CS}$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of the material of interest.

$\mu_w$  = Linear attenuation coefficient of water.

$s$  = Estimated standard deviation of the CTN of picture elements in a specified area of the CT image.

“*Nominal tomographic section thickness*” means the full width at half-maximum of the sensitivity profile taken at the center of the cross-sectional volume over which X-ray transmission data are collected.

“*Picture element*” means an elemental area of a tomogram.

“*Reference plane*” means a plane which is displaced from and parallel to the tomographic plane.

“*Scan*” means the complete process of collecting X-ray transmission data for the production of a tomogram. Data can be collected simultaneously during a single scan for the production of one or more tomograms.

“*Scan increment*” means the amount of relative displacement of the patient with respect to the CT X-ray system between successive scans measured along the direction of such displacement.

“*Scan sequence*” means a preselected set of two or more scans performed consecutively under preselected CT conditions of operation.

“*Scan time*” means the period of time between the beginning and end of X-ray transmission data accumulation for a single scan.

“*Single tomogram system*” means a CT X-ray system which obtains X-ray transmission data during a scan to produce a single tomogram.

“*Tomographic plane*” means that geometric plane which is identified as corresponding to the output tomogram.

“*Tomographic section*” means the volume of an object whose X-ray attenuation properties are imaged in a tomogram.

b. Requirements for equipment.

(1) Termination of exposure.

1. Means shall be provided to terminate the X-ray exposure automatically by either deenergizing the X-ray source or shuttering the X-ray beam in the event of equipment failure affecting data collection. Such termination shall occur within an interval that limits the total scan time to no more than 110 percent of its preset value through the use of either a backup timer or devices which monitor equipment function.

2. A visible signal shall indicate when the X-ray exposure has been terminated through the means required by 41.1(11)“b”(1)“1.”

3. The operator shall be able to terminate the X-ray exposure at any time during a scan, or series of scans under CT X-ray system control, of greater than one-half second duration.

(2) Tomographic plane indication and alignment.

1. For any single tomogram system, means shall be provided to permit visual determination of the tomographic plane or a reference plane offset from the tomographic plane.

2. For any multiple tomogram system, means shall be provided to permit visual determination of the location of a reference plane. This reference plane can be offset from the location of the tomographic planes.

3. If a device using a light source is used to satisfy 41.1(11)“b”(2)“1” or “2,” the light source shall provide illumination levels sufficient to permit visual determination of the location of the tomographic plane or reference plane under ambient light conditions of up to 500 lux.

(3) Beam-on and shutter status indicators and control switches.

1. The CT X-ray control and gantry shall provide visual indication whenever X-rays are produced and, if applicable, whether the shutter is open or closed.

2. Each emergency button or switch shall be clearly labeled as to its function.

(4) Indication of CT conditions of operation. The CT X-ray system shall be designed such that the CT conditions of operation to be used during a scan or a scan sequence shall be indicated prior to the initiation of a scan or a scan sequence. On equipment having all or some of these conditions of operation at fixed values, this requirement may be met by permanent markings. Indication of CT conditions of operation shall be visible from any position from which scan initiation is possible.

(5) Extraneous radiation. When data are not being collected for image production, the radiation adjacent to the tube port shall not exceed that permitted by 41.1(4)“c.”

(6) Maximum surface CTDI identification. The angular position where the maximum surface CTDI occurs shall be identified to allow for reproducible positioning of a CT dosimetry phantom.

(7) Additional requirements applicable to CT X-ray systems containing a gantry manufactured after September 3, 1985.

1. The total error in the indicated location of the tomographic plane or reference plane shall not exceed 5 millimeters.

2. If the X-ray production period is less than one-half second, the indication of X-ray production shall be actuated for at least one-half second. Indicators at or near the gantry shall be discernible from any point external to the patient opening where insertion of any part of the human body into the primary beam is possible.

3. The deviation of indicated scan increment versus actual increment shall not exceed plus or minus 1 millimeter with any mass from 0 to 100 kilograms resting on the support device. The patient support device shall be incremented from a typical starting position to the maximum incremented distance or 30 centimeters, whichever is less, and then returned to the starting position. Measurement of actual versus indicated scan increment may be taken anywhere along this travel.

4. Premature termination of the X-ray exposure by the operator shall necessitate resetting of the CT conditions of operation prior to the initiation of another scan.

c. Facility design requirements.

(1) Aural communication. Provision shall be made for two-way aural communication between the patient and the operator at the control panel.

(2) Viewing systems.

1. Windows, mirrors, closed-circuit television, or an equivalent shall be provided to permit continuous observation of the patient during irradiation and shall be so located that the operator can observe the patient from the control panel.

2. When the primary viewing system is by electronic means, an alternate viewing system (which may be electronic) shall be available for use in the event of failure of the primary viewing system.

d. Surveys, calibrations, spot checks, and operating procedures.

(1) Surveys.

1. All CT X-ray systems shall have a survey made by, or under the direction of, a qualified expert. In addition, such surveys shall be done after any change in the facility or equipment which might cause a significant increase in radiation hazard.

2. The registrant shall obtain a written report of the survey from the qualified expert, and a copy of the report shall be made available to the agency upon request.

(2) Radiation calibrations.

1. The calibration of the radiation output of the CT X-ray system shall be performed by, or under the direction of, a qualified expert who is physically present at the facility during such calibration.

2. The calibration of a CT X-ray system shall be performed at intervals specified by a qualified expert and after any change or replacement of components which, in the opinion of the qualified expert, could cause a change in the radiation output.

3. The calibration of the radiation output of a CT X-ray system shall be performed with a calibrated dosimetry system. The calibration of such system shall be traceable to a national standard. The dosimetry system shall have been calibrated within the preceding two years.

4. CT dosimetry phantom(s) shall be used in determining the radiation output of a CT X-ray system. Such phantom(s) shall meet the following specifications and conditions of use: CT dosimetry phantom(s) shall be right circular cylinders of polymethyl methacrylate of density 1.19 plus or minus 0.01 grams per cubic centimeter. The phantom(s) shall be at least 14 centimeters in length and shall have diameters of 32.0 centimeters for testing CT X-ray systems designed to image any section of the body and 16.0 centimeters for systems designed to image the head or for whole body scanners operated in the head scanning mode; CT dosimetry phantom(s) shall provide means for the placement of a dosimeter(s) along the axis of rotation and along a line parallel to the axis of rotation 1.0 centimeter from the outer surface and within the phantom. Means for the placement of dosimeters or alignment devices at other locations may be provided; any effects on the doses measured due to the removal of phantom material to accommodate dosimeters shall be accounted for through appropriate corrections to the reported data or included in the statement of maximum deviation for the values obtained using the phantom; and all dose measurements shall be performed with the CT dosimetry phantom placed on the patient couch or support device without additional attenuation materials present.

5. The calibration shall be required for each type of head, body, or whole-body scan performed at the facility.

6. Calibration shall meet the following requirements: The dose profile along the center axis of the CT dosimetry phantom for the minimum, maximum, and midrange values of the nominal tomographic section thickness used by the registrant shall be measurable. Where less than three nominal tomographic thicknesses can be selected, the dose profile determination shall be performed for each available nominal tomographic section thickness; the CTDI<sub>1/2</sub> along the two axes specified in 41.1(11)“d”(2)“4” shall be measured. (For the purpose of determining the CTDI, the manufacturer’s statement as to the nominal tomographic section thickness for that particular system may be utilized.) The CT dosimetry phantom shall be oriented so that the measurement point 1.0 centimeter from the outer surface and within the phantom is in the same angular position within the gantry as the point of maximum surface CTDI identified. The CT conditions of operation shall correspond to typical values used by the registrant; and the spot checks specified in 41.1(11)“d”(3) shall be made.

7. Calibration procedures shall be in writing. Records of calibrations performed shall be maintained for inspection by the agency.

(3) Spot checks.

1. The spot-check procedures shall be in writing and shall have been developed by a qualified expert.

2. The spot-check procedures shall incorporate the use of a CT dosimetry phantom which has a capability of providing an indication of contrast scale, noise, nominal tomographic section thickness, the resolution capability of the system for low and high contrast objects, and measuring the mean CTN for water or other reference material.

3. All spot checks shall be included in the calibration required by 41.1(11)“d”(2) and at time intervals and under system conditions specified by a qualified expert.

4. Spot checks shall include acquisition of images obtained with the CT dosimetry phantom(s) using the same processing mode and CT conditions of operation as are used to perform calibrations required by 41.1(11)“d”(2). The images shall be retained, until a new calibration is performed, in two forms as follows: photographic copies of the images obtained from the image display device; and images stored in digital form on a storage medium compatible with the CT X-ray system.

5. Written records of the spot checks performed shall be maintained for inspection by the agency.

(4) Operating procedures.

1. The CT X-ray system shall not be operated except by a licensed practitioner or an individual who has been specifically trained in its operation in accordance with 641—subrule 42.2(9).

2. Information shall be available at the control panel regarding the operation and calibration of the system. Such information shall include the following: dates of the latest calibration and spot checks and the location within the facility where the results of those tests may be obtained; instructions on the use of the CT dosimetry phantom(s) including a schedule of spot checks appropriate for the system, allowable variations for the indicated parameters, and the results of at least the most recent spot checks conducted on the system; the distance in millimeters between the tomographic plane and the reference plane if a reference plane is utilized; and a current technique chart available at the control panel which specifies for each routine examination the CT conditions of operation and the number of scans per examination.

3. If the calibration or spot check of the CT X-ray system identifies that a system operating parameter has exceeded a tolerance established by the qualified expert, use of the CT X-ray system on patients shall be limited to those uses permitted by established written instructions of the qualified expert.

**41.1(12) X-ray machines used for mammography.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**641—41.2(136C) Use of radionuclides in the healing arts.**

**41.2(1) Purpose and scope.**

a. This rule establishes requirements and provisions for the use of radionuclides in the healing arts and for issuance of licenses authorizing the medical use of this material. These requirements and provisions provide for the protection of the public health and safety. The requirements and provisions of this rule are in addition to, and not in substitution for, the applicable portions of 641—Chapters 38 to

40. The requirements and provisions of these rules apply to applicants and licensees subject to this rule unless specifically exempted.

b. All references to any Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of May 3, 2006.

**41.2(2) Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions of 641—Chapters 38 to 40 may also apply. As used in 41.2(136C), the following definitions apply:

“*Area of use*” means a portion of a physical structure that has been set aside for the purpose of receiving, using, or storing radioactive material.

“*Authorized medical physicist*” means an individual who:

- a. Meets the requirements of 41.2(74) and 41.2(77); or
- b. Is identified as an authorized medical physicist or teletherapy physicist on:
  1. A specific medical use license issued by this agency, the NRC, or an agreement state;
  2. A medical use permit issued by an NRC master material licensee;
  3. A permit issued by an NRC or agreement state broad scope medical use licensee; or
  4. A permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope medical use permittee.

“*Authorized nuclear pharmacist*” means a pharmacist who:

a. Has met the appropriate requirements of 41.2(77) and 41.2(78), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.980(a) and 10 CFR 35.59; or:

- b. Is identified as an authorized nuclear pharmacist on:
  1. A specific license issued by the agency, NRC or agreement state that authorizes medical use or the practice of nuclear pharmacy;
  2. A permit issued by an NRC master material licensee that authorizes medical use or the practice of nuclear pharmacy;
  3. A permit issued by the NRC or agreement state broad scope medical use licensee that authorizes medical use or the practice of nuclear pharmacy; or
  4. A permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope medical use permittee that authorizes medical use or the practice of nuclear pharmacy; or
- c. Is identified as an authorized nuclear pharmacist by a commercial nuclear pharmacy that has been authorized to identify authorized nuclear pharmacists; or
- d. Is designated as an authorized nuclear pharmacist in accordance with 641—39.4(29) “j”(2)“3.”

“*Authorized user*” means a physician, dentist, or podiatrist who has met the appropriate requirements of 41.2(67) “a,” 41.2(68) “a,” 41.2(69) “a,” 41.2(70) “a,” 41.2(72) “a,” 41.2(73) “a,” 41.2(81) “a,” or 41.2(82) “a,” or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.910(a), 35.920(a), 35.930(c), 35.940(a), 35.950(a), or 35.960(a) and 10 CFR 35.59; or who is identified on:

1. A current Iowa, NRC, or agreement state license that authorizes the medical use of radioactive material;
2. A permit issued by an NRC master material licensee that is authorized to permit the medical use of radioactive material;
3. A permit issued by an NRC, agreement state, or Iowa-specific licensee of broad scope that is authorized to permit medical use of radioactive material; or
4. A permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope permittee that is authorized to permit medical use of radioactive material.

“*Dedicated check source*” means a radioactive source that is used to ensure the constant operation of a radiation detection or measurement device over several months or years. This source may also be used for other purposes.

“*Management*” means the chief executive officer or that individual’s designee.

“*Medical institution*” means an organization in which several medical disciplines are practiced.

“*Mobile nuclear medicine service*” means the transportation and medical use of radioactive material.

“*Output*” means the exposure rate, dose rate, or a quantity related in a known manner to these rates from a teletherapy unit for a specified set of exposure conditions.

“*Pharmacist*” means an individual licensed by a state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to practice pharmacy.

“*Radiation safety officer*” means an individual who, in addition to the definition in 641—38.2(136C), meets the requirements of 41.2(77) and 41.2(65)“a,” or 41.2(65)“c”(1), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.900(a) and 10 CFR 35.59; or is identified as a radiation safety officer on a specific medical use license issued by Iowa, the NRC, or agreement state or a medical use permit issued by an NRC master material licensee.

“*Teletherapy physicist*” means an individual identified as the qualified teletherapy physicist on an agency license.

“*Unit dosage*” means a dosage prepared for medical use for administration as a single dosage to a patient or human research subject without any further manipulation of the dosage after it is initially prepared.

“*Visiting authorized user*” means an authorized user who is not identified on the license of the licensee being visited.

**41.2(3) License required.**

a. No person shall manufacture, produce, acquire, receive, possess, use, or transfer radioactive material for medical use except in accordance with a specific license issued pursuant to these rules.

b. Unless prohibited by license condition, an individual may receive, possess, use, or transfer radioactive material in accordance with these rules under the supervision of an authorized user as provided in 41.2(11).

c. An individual may prepare unsealed radioactive material for medical use in accordance with these rules under the supervision of an authorized nuclear pharmacist or authorized user as provided in 41.2(11) unless prohibited by license condition.

d. A licensee may conduct research involving human subjects using radioactive material provided that the research is conducted, funded, supported, or regulated by another federal agency which has implemented the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects. Otherwise, a licensee shall apply for and receive approval of a specific amendment to its license before conducting such research. Both types of licensees shall, at a minimum, obtain informed consent from the human subjects and obtain prior review and approval of the research activities by an Institutional Review Board in accordance with the meaning of these terms as defined and described in the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects.

Nothing in this subrule relieves the licensee from complying with applicable FDA, federal, and other state requirements governing radioactive drugs or devices.

e. An applicant that satisfies the requirements of 641—paragraph 39.4(28)“b” may apply for a Type A specific license of broad scope.

**41.2(4) License amendments.** A licensee shall apply for and receive a license amendment:

a. Before using radioactive material for a method or type of medical use not permitted by the license issued under this rule;

b. Before permitting anyone, except a visiting authorized user described in 41.2(12), to work as an authorized user or authorized nuclear pharmacist under the license;

c. Before changing a radiation safety officer or teletherapy physicist;

d. Before receiving radioactive material in excess of the amount authorized on the license;

e. Before adding to or changing the address or addresses of use identified in the application or on the license; and

f. Before changing statements, representations, and procedures which are incorporated into the license.

**41.2(5) Notifications.**

a. A licensee shall provide to the agency a copy of the board certification, the NRC or agreement state license, or the permit issued by a licensee of broad scope for each individual no later than 30 days after the date that the licensee permits the individual to work as a visiting authorized user or a visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist.

b. A licensee shall notify the agency by letter no later than 30 days after:

(1) An authorized user, an authorized nuclear pharmacist, radiation safety officer, or teletherapy physicist permanently discontinues performance of duties under the license or has a name change; or

(2) The licensee's mailing address changes.

c. The licensee shall mail the documents required in this subrule to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Des Moines, Iowa.

d. Exemptions regarding Type A specific licenses of broad scope. A licensee possessing a Type A specific license of broad scope for medical use is exempt from the following:

(1) The provision of 41.2(4) "b";

(2) The provisions of 41.2(4) "e" regarding additions to or changes in the areas of use only at the addresses specified in the license;

(3) The provision of 41.2(5) "a";

(4) The provisions of 41.2(5) "b"(1) for authorized user or an authorized nuclear pharmacist.

**41.2(6) Maintenance of records.**

a. Each record required by this rule must be legible throughout the retention period specified by each subrule. The record may be original or reproduced copy or a microform, provided that the copy or microform is authenticated by authorized personnel and that the microform is capable of producing a clear copy throughout the required retention period.

b. The record may also be stored on electronic media with the capability for producing legible, accurate, and complete records during the required retention period. Records such as letters, drawings, and specifications must include all pertinent information such as stamps, initials, and signatures.

c. The licensee shall maintain adequate safeguards against tampering with and loss of records specified in 41.2(6) "a" and "b."

**41.2(7) ALARA program.**

a. Each licensee shall develop and implement a written program to maintain radiation doses and releases of radioactive material in effluents to unrestricted areas as low as reasonably achievable in accordance with 641—subrule 40.1(3).

b. To satisfy the requirement of 41.2(7) "a":

(1) The management, radiation safety officer, and all authorized users shall participate in the establishment, implementation, and operation of the program as required by these rules or the radiation safety committee; or

(2) For licensees that are not medical institutions, management and all authorized users shall participate in the program as required by the radiation safety officer.

c. The ALARA program shall include an annual review by the radiation safety committee for licensees that are medical institutions, or management and the radiation safety officer for licensees that are not medical institutions, of summaries of the types and amounts of radioactive material used, occupational dose reports, and continuing education and training for all personnel who work with or in the vicinity of radioactive material. The purpose of the review is to ensure that individuals make every reasonable effort to maintain occupational doses, doses to the general public, and releases of radioactive material as low as reasonably achievable, taking into account the state of technology, and the cost of improvements in relation to benefits.

d. The licensee shall retain a current written description of the ALARA program for the duration of the license. The written description shall include:

(1) A commitment by management to keep occupational doses as low as reasonably achievable;

(2) A requirement that the radiation safety officer brief management once each year on the radiation safety program;

(3) Personnel exposure investigational levels as established in accordance with 41.2(9) "b"(8) that, when exceeded, will initiate an investigation by the radiation safety officer of the cause of the exposure; and

(4) Personnel exposure investigational levels that, when exceeded, will initiate a prompt investigation by the radiation safety officer of the cause of the exposure and a consideration of actions that might be taken to reduce the probability of recurrence.

**41.2(8) Radiation safety officer.**

a. A licensee shall appoint a radiation safety officer responsible for implementing the radiation safety program. The licensee, through the radiation safety officer, shall ensure that radiation safety



activities are being performed in accordance with approved procedures and regulatory requirements in the daily operation of the licensee's radioactive material program.

*b.* The radiation safety officer shall:

(1) Investigate overexposures, accidents, spills, losses, thefts, unauthorized receipts, uses, transfers, and disposals, and other deviations from approved radiation safety practice and implement corrective actions as necessary;

(2) Implement written policy and procedures for:

1. Authorizing the purchase of radioactive material;
2. Receiving and opening packages of radioactive material;
3. Storing radioactive material;
4. Keeping an inventory record of radioactive material;
5. Using radioactive material safely;
6. Taking emergency action if control of radioactive material is lost;
7. Performing periodic radiation surveys;
8. Performing checks and calibrations of survey instruments and other safety equipment;
9. Disposing of radioactive material;
10. Training personnel who work in or frequent areas where radioactive material is used or stored;

and

11. Keeping a copy of all records and reports required by the agency rules, a copy of these rules, a copy of each licensing request and license and amendments, and the written policy and procedures required by the rules; and

(3) For medical use not sited at a medical institution, approve or disapprove radiation safety program changes with the advice and consent of management prior to submittal to the agency for licensing action; or

(4) For medical use sited at a medical institution, assist the radiation safety committee in the performance of its duties.

**41.2(9) Radiation safety committee.** Each medical institution licensee shall establish a radiation safety committee to oversee the use of radioactive material.

*a.* The committee shall meet the following administrative requirements:

(1) Membership must consist of at least three individuals and shall include an authorized user of each type of use permitted by the license, the radiation safety officer, a representative of the nursing service, and a representative of management who is neither an authorized user nor a radiation safety officer. Other members may be included as the licensee deems appropriate.

(2) The committee shall meet at least once each calendar quarter.

(3) To establish a quorum and to conduct business, one-half of the committee's membership shall be present, including the radiation safety officer and the management's representative.

(4) The minutes of each radiation safety committee meeting shall include:

1. The date of the meeting;
2. Members present;
3. Members absent;
4. Summary of deliberations and discussions;
5. Recommended actions and the numerical results of all ballots; and
6. Document any reviews required in 41.2(7) "c" and 41.2(9) "b."

(5) The committee shall provide each member with a copy of the meeting minutes and retain one copy until the agency authorizes its disposition.

*b.* To oversee the use of licensed material, the committee shall:

(1) Be responsible for monitoring the institutional program to maintain occupational doses as low as reasonably achievable;

(2) Review:

1. Review, on the basis of safety and with regard to the training and experience standards of this rule, and approve or disapprove any individual who is to be listed as an authorized user, an authorized

nuclear pharmacist, the radiation safety officer, or teletherapy physicist before submitting a license application or request for amendment or renewal;

2. Review on the basis of the board certification, the license, or the permit identifying an individual, and approve or disapprove any individual prior to allowing that individual to work as an authorized user or authorized nuclear pharmacist.

(3) Review on the basis of safety and approve or disapprove each proposed method of use of radioactive material;

(4) Review on the basis of safety, and approve with the advice and consent of the radiation safety officer and the management representative, or disapprove procedures and radiation safety program changes prior to submittal to the agency for licensing action;

(5) Review quarterly, with the assistance of the radiation safety officer, occupational radiation exposure records of all personnel working with radioactive material;

(6) Review quarterly, with the assistance of the radiation safety officer, all incidents involving radioactive material with respect to cause and subsequent actions taken;

(7) Review annually, with the assistance of the radiation safety officer, the radioactive material program; and

(8) Establish a table of investigational levels for occupational dose that, when exceeded, will initiate investigations and considerations of action by the radiation safety officer.

**41.2(10) Authority and responsibilities for the radiation protection program.**

a. In addition to the radiation protection program requirements of 641—40.10(136C), a licensee's management shall approve in writing:

(1) Requests for a license application, renewal, or amendment before submittal to this agency;

(2) Any individual before allowing that individual to work as an authorized user, authorized nuclear pharmacist, or authorized medical physicist; and

(3) Radiation protection program changes that do not require a license amendment.

b. A licensee's management shall appoint a radiation safety officer, who agrees, in writing, to be responsible for implementing the radiation protection program. The licensee, through the radiation safety officer, shall ensure that the radiation safety activities are being performed in accordance with licensee-approved procedures and regulatory requirements.

c. For up to 60 days each year, a licensee may permit an authorized user or an individual qualified to be a radiation safety officer under 41.2(65) or 41.2(75) to function as a temporary radiation safety officer to perform the functions of radiation safety officer, as provided in 41.2(10) "g," if the licensee takes the actions required in 41.2(10) "b," "e," "g," and "h" and notifies this agency in accordance with 41.2(5).

d. A licensee may simultaneously appoint more than one temporary radiation safety officer in accordance with 41.2(10) "c" if needed to ensure that the licensee has a temporary radiation safety officer who satisfies the requirements to be a radiation safety officer for each of the different types of by-product material permitted on the license.

e. A licensee shall establish the authority, duties, and responsibilities of the radiation safety officer in writing.

f. Licensees that are authorized for two or more different types of uses of radioactive materials or two or more types of units under this rule shall establish a radiation safety committee to oversee all uses of radioactive material permitted by the license.

g. A licensee shall provide the radiation safety officer sufficient authority, organizational freedom, time, resources, and management prerogative to:

(1) Identify radiation safety problems;

(2) Initiate, recommend, or provide corrective solutions;

(3) Verify implementation of corrective actions; and

(4) Stop unsafe operations.

h. A licensee shall retain a record of actions taken under 41.2(10) in accordance with 641—40.80(136C).

**41.2(11) Supervision.**

a. A licensee that permits the receipt, possession, use, or transfer of radioactive material by an individual under the supervision of an authorized user as allowed by 41.2(3) shall, in addition to the requirements in 641—40.111(136C):

(1) Instruct the supervised individual in the licensee's written radiation protection procedures, written directive procedures, rules of this chapter, and license conditions appropriate to that individual's use of radioactive material;

(2) Review the supervised individual's use of radioactive material, provide reinstruction as needed and review records kept to reflect this use;

(3) Require the authorized user to be immediately available to communicate with the supervised individual;

(4) Require the authorized user to be able to be physically present and available to the supervised individual on one hour's notice (the supervising authorized user need not be present for each use of radioactive material); and

(5) Require that only those individuals certified and issued a current permit to practice in accordance with 641—Chapter 42 as a nuclear medicine technologist or a radiation therapist, as applicable, or an Iowa-licensed physician and designated by the authorized user, shall be permitted to administer radionuclides (sealed sources only for radiation therapists) or radiation to patients or human research subjects. For a nuclear medicine technologist or a radiation therapist, the individual's permit to practice shall be posted in the immediate vicinity of the general work area and be visible to the public.

b. A license shall require the supervised individual receiving, possessing, using or transferring radioactive material under 41.2(3) to:

(1) Follow the instructions of the supervising authorized user for the medical uses of by-product material;

(2) Follow the written radiation protection and written directive procedures established by the radiation safety officer; and

(3) Comply with these rules and the license conditions with respect to the use of radioactive material.

c. A licensee that permits the preparation of radioactive material for medical use by an individual under the supervision of an authorized nuclear pharmacist or physician who is an authorized user, as allowed by 41.2(3) "c," shall, in addition to the requirements in 641—40.111(136C):

(1) Instruct the supervised individual in the preparation of radioactive material for medical use and the principles of and procedures for radiation safety and in the licensee's written procedures for maintaining written directives, as appropriate to that individual's use of radioactive material;

(2) Require the supervised individual to follow the instructions of the supervising authorized user or authorized nuclear pharmacist regarding the preparation of radioactive material for medical use, written radiation protection procedures established by the licensee, the regulations of this chapter and license conditions; and

(3) Require the supervising authorized nuclear pharmacist or physician who is an authorized user to periodically review the work of the supervised individual as it pertains to preparing radioactive material for medical use and the records kept to reflect that work.

d. A licensee that supervises an individual is responsible for the acts and omissions of the supervised individual.

**41.2(12) Visiting authorized user and visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist.**

a. A licensee may permit any visiting authorized user or visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist to use licensed material for medical use under the terms of the licensee's license for 60 days each year if:

(1) The visiting authorized user or visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist has the prior written permission of the licensee's management and, if the use occurs on behalf of an institution, the institution's radiation safety committee;

(2) The licensee has a copy of an agency, agreement state, licensing state or U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission license that identifies the visiting authorized user or visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist by name as an authorized user for medical use; and

(3) Only those procedures for which the visiting authorized user or visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist is specifically authorized by an agency (agreement state, licensing state or U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission) license are performed by that individual.

b. A licensee need not apply for a license amendment in order to permit a visiting authorized user or visiting authorized nuclear pharmacist to use licensed material as described in 41.2(12)“a.”

c. A licensee shall retain copies of the records specified in 41.2(12)“a” for five years from the date of the last visit.

**41.2(13) *Mobile nuclear medicine service administrative requirements.***

a. The agency will only license mobile nuclear medicine services in accordance with this rule and other applicable requirements of these rules.

b. Mobile nuclear medicine service licensees shall retain for the duration of service a letter signed by the management of each location where services are rendered that authorizes use of radioactive material and clearly delineates the authority of the licensee and client.

c. If a mobile nuclear medicine service provides services that the client is also authorized to provide, the client is responsible for ensuring that services are conducted in accordance with the rules in this chapter while the mobile nuclear medicine service is under the client’s direction.

d. A mobile nuclear medicine service shall not have radioactive material delivered directly from the manufacturer or the distributor to the client’s address of use.

e. Mobile nuclear medicine service licensees shall also perform the following:

(1) Check instruments used to measure the activity of unsealed radioactive material for proper function before use at each client’s address or on each day of use, whichever is more frequent. At a minimum, the check for proper function required by this rule must include a constancy check;

(2) Check survey instruments for proper operation with a dedicated check source before use at each client’s address;

(3) Before leaving a client’s address, survey all areas of use to ensure compliance with the requirements of 641—Chapters 40 and 41.

**41.2(14) *Records and reports of misadministrations and reportable medical events.***

a. When a misadministration or reportable medical event, as defined in 641—38.2(136C), occurs, the licensee shall notify the agency by telephone. The licensee shall also notify the referring physician of the affected patient or human research subject and the patient or human research subject or a responsible relative or guardian, unless the referring physician agrees to inform the patient or human research subject or believes, based on medical judgment, that telling the patient or human research subject or the patient’s or human research subject’s responsible relative or guardian would be harmful to one or the other, respectively. These notifications must be made within 24 hours after the licensee discovers the misadministration or reportable medical event. If the referring physician, patient or human research subject, or the patient’s or human research subject’s responsible relative or guardian cannot be reached within 24 hours, the licensee shall notify them as soon as practicable. The licensee is not required to notify the patient or human research subject or the patient’s or human research subject’s responsible relative or guardian without first consulting the referring physician; however, the licensee shall not delay medical care for the patient or human research subject because of this notification requirement including remedial care as a result of the misadministration or reportable medical event because of any delay in notification.

b. Written reports.

(1) The licensee shall submit a written report to the agency within 15 days after discovery of the misadministration or reportable medical event. The written report must include the licensee’s name, the prescribing physician’s name, a brief description of the event, why the event occurred, the effect on the patient or the human research subject, what improvements are needed to prevent recurrence, actions taken to prevent recurrence, whether the licensee notified the patient or the human research subject or the patient’s or the human research subject’s responsible relative or guardian (this individual will subsequently be referred to as “the patient or the human research subject”), and if not, why not, and if the patient or the human research subject was notified, what information was provided to that individual.

The report must not include the patient's or the human research subject's name or other information that could lead to identification of the patient or the human research subject.

(2) If the patient or the human research subject was notified, the licensee shall also furnish, within 15 days after discovery of the misadministration or reportable medical event, a written report to the patient or the human research subject and the referring physician by sending either:

1. A copy of the report that was submitted to the agency; or
2. A brief description of both the event and the consequences as they may affect the patient or the human research subject, provided a statement is included that the report submitted to the agency can be obtained from the licensee.

*c.* Rescinded IAB 4/4/01, effective 5/9/01.

*d.* Each licensee shall retain a record of each misadministration for ten years and each reportable medical event for three years. The record shall contain the names of all individuals involved in the event, including the physician, allied health personnel, the patient or human research subject, and the patient's or human research subject's referring physician, the patient's or human research subject's social security number or identification number if one has been assigned, a brief description of the event, why it occurred, the effect on the patient or human research subject, what improvements are needed to prevent recurrence, and the action taken, if any, to prevent recurrence.

*e.* Aside from the notification requirement, nothing in 41.2(14) "a" to 41.2(14) "d" shall affect any rights or duties of licensees and physicians in relation to each other, patients or human research subjects, or responsible relatives or guardians.

*f.* Report and notification of a dose to an embryo/fetus or a nursing child.

(1) A licensee shall report any dose to an embryo/fetus that is greater than 5 rem (50 mSv) dose equivalent that is a result of an administration of by-product material or radiation from by-product material to a pregnant individual unless the embryo/fetus was specifically approved, in advance, by the authorized user.

(2) A licensee shall report any dose to a nursing child that is a result of an administration of by-product material to a breast-feeding individual that:

1. Is greater than 5 rem (50 mSv) total effective dose equivalent; or
2. Has resulted in unintended permanent functional damage to an organ or a physiological system of the child, as determined by a physician.

(3) The licensee shall notify this agency by telephone no later than the next calendar day after a dose to the embryo/fetus or nursing child that requires a report in 41.2(14) "f"(1) or (2).

(4) The licensee shall submit a written report to the agency within 15 days after discovery of a dose to the embryo/fetus or nursing child that requires a report in 41.2(14) "f"(1) or (2).

1. The written report must include:

- The licensee's name;
- The name of the prescribing physician;
- A brief description of the event;
- Why the event occurred;
- The effect, if any, on the embryo/fetus or the nursing child;
- What actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to prevent recurrence; and
- Certification that the licensee notified the pregnant individual or mother (or the mother's or child's responsible relative or guardian), and if not, why not.

2. The report must not contain the individual's or child's name or any other information that could lead to identification of the individual or child.

(5) The licensee shall provide notification of the event to the referring physician and also notify the pregnant individual or mother, both hereafter referred to as the mother, no later than 24 hours after discovery of an event that would require reporting under 41.2(14) "f"(1) or (2), unless the referring physician personally informs the licensee either that the physician will inform the mother or that, based on medical judgment, telling the mother would be harmful. The licensee is not required to notify the mother without first consulting with the referring physician. If the referring physician or mother cannot be reached within 24 hours, the licensee shall make the appropriate notifications as soon as possible

thereafter. The licensee may not delay any appropriate medical care for the embryo/fetus or for the nursing child, including any necessary remedial care as a result of the event, because of any delay in notification. To meet the requirements of this paragraph, the notification may be made to the mother's or child's responsible relative or guardian instead of the mother. If a verbal notification is made, the licensee shall inform the mother, or the mother's or child's responsible relative or guardian, that a written description of the event can be obtained from the licensee upon request. The licensee shall provide such a written description if requested.

(6) A licensee shall:

1. Annotate a copy of the report provided to the agency with the:

- Name of the pregnant individual or the nursing child who is the subject of the event; and
- Social security number or other identification number, if one has been assigned, of the pregnant individual or the nursing child who is the subject of the event; and

2. Provide a copy of the annotated report to the referring physician, if other than the licensee, no later than 15 days after the discovery of the event.

**41.2(15) Suppliers.** A licensee shall use for medical use only:

a. Radioactive material manufactured, labeled, packaged, and distributed in accordance with a license issued pursuant to these rules or the equivalent regulations of another agreement state, a licensing state or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and

b. Reagent kits that have been manufactured, labeled, packaged, and distributed in accordance with an approval issued by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration;

c. Teletherapy sources manufactured and distributed in accordance with a license issued pursuant to these rules, or the equivalent regulations of another agreement state, a licensing state, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**41.2(16) Quality control of imaging equipment.** Each licensee shall establish written quality control procedures for all equipment used to obtain images from radionuclide studies. As a minimum, the procedures shall include quality control procedures recommended by equipment manufacturers or procedures which have been approved by the agency. The licensee shall conduct quality control procedures in accordance with written procedures.

**41.2(17) Possession, use, calibration, and check of dose calibrators.**

a. A medical use licensee authorized to administer radiopharmaceuticals shall possess a dose calibrator and use it to measure the amount of activity administered to each patient or human research subject.

b. A licensee shall:

(1) Check each dose calibrator for constancy with a dedicated check source at the beginning of each day of use. To satisfy the requirement of this section, the check shall be done on frequently used settings with a sealed source of not less than 10 microcuries (370 kBq) of radium-226 or 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) of any other photon-emitting radionuclide with a half-life greater than 90 days;

(2) Test each dose calibrator for accuracy upon installation and at intervals not to exceed 12 months thereafter by assaying at least two sealed sources containing different radionuclides, the activity of which the manufacturer has determined within 5 percent of the stated activity, with minimum activity of 10 microcuries (370 kBq) for radium-226 and 50 microcuries (1.85 MBq) for any other photon-emitting radionuclide, and at least one of which has a principal photon energy between 100 keV and 500 keV;

(3) Test each dose calibrator for linearity upon installation and at intervals not to exceed three months thereafter over the range of use between 30 microcuries (1.1 megabecquerels) and the highest dosage that will be administered; and

(4) Test each dose calibrator for geometry dependence upon installation over the range of volumes and volume configurations for which it will be used. The licensee shall keep a record of this test for the duration of the use of the dose calibrator.

c. A licensee shall mathematically correct dosage readings for any geometry or linearity error that exceeds 10 percent if the dosage is greater than 10 microcuries (370 kBq) and shall repair or replace the dose calibrator if the accuracy or constancy error exceeds 10 percent.

*d.* A licensee shall also perform checks and tests required by 41.2(17) "b" following adjustment or repair of the dose calibrator.

*e.* A licensee shall retain a record of each check and test required by 41.2(17) for three years. The records required by 41.2(17) "b" shall include:

(1) For 41.2(17) "b"(1), the model and serial number of the dose calibrator, the identity and calibrated activity of the radionuclide contained in the check source, the date of the check, the activity measured, the instrument settings, and the initials of the individual who performed the check;

(2) For 41.2(17) "b"(2), the model and serial number of the dose calibrator, the model and serial number of each source used and the identity of the radionuclide contained in the source and its activity, the date of the test, the results of the test, the instrument settings, the identity of the individual performing the test, and the signature of the radiation safety officer;

(3) For 41.2(17) "b"(3), the model and serial number of the dose calibrator, the calculated activities, the measured activities, the date of the test, the identity of the individual performing the test, and the signature of the radiation safety officer; and

(4) For 41.2(17) "b"(4), the model and serial number of the dose calibrator, the configuration calibrated activity of the source measured, the activity of the source, the activity measured and the instrument setting for each volume measured, the date of the test, the identity of the individual performing the test, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

**41.2(18) Calibration and check of survey instruments.**

*a.* A licensee shall ensure that the survey instruments used to show compliance with this rule have been calibrated before first use, annually, and following repair.

*b.* To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(18) "a," the licensee shall:

(1) Calibrate all required scale readings up to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour with a radiation source;

(2) For each scale that shall be calibrated, calibrate two readings separated by at least 50 percent of scale rating; and

(3) Conspicuously note on the instrument the apparent dose rate from a dedicated check source as determined at the time of calibration, and the date of calibration.

*c.* To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(18) "b," the licensee shall consider a point as calibrated if the indicated exposure rate differs from the calculated exposure rate by not more than 20 percent and shall conspicuously attach a correction chart or graph to the instrument. A licensee may not use survey instruments if the difference between the indicated exposure rate and the calculated exposure rate is more than 20 percent.

*d.* A licensee shall check each survey instrument for proper operation with the dedicated check source before each use. The licensee is not required to keep records of these checks.

*e.* The licensee shall retain a record of each calibration required in 41.2(18) "a" for three years. The record shall include:

(1) A description of the calibration procedure; and

(2) A description of the source used and the certified dose rates from the source, the rates indicated by the instrument being calibrated, the correction factors deduced from the calibration data, the signature of the individual who performed the calibration, and the date of calibration.

*f.* To meet the requirements of 41.2(18) "a," "b," and "c," the licensee may obtain the services of individuals licensed by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state to perform calibrations of survey instruments. Records of calibrations which contain information required by 41.2(18) "e" shall be maintained by the licensee.

*g.* Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

**41.2(19) Assay of radiopharmaceutical dosages.** A licensee shall:

*a.* Assay, prior to medical use, the activity of each radiopharmaceutical dosage that contains more than 30 microcuries (1.1 megabecquerels) of a photon-emitting radionuclide;

*b.* Assay, before medical use, the activity of each radiopharmaceutical dosage of a photon-emitting radionuclide to verify that the dosage does not exceed 30 microcuries (1.1 mBq); and

c. Measure, by direct measurement or by combination of measurements and calculations, the activity of each dosage of an alpha- or beta-emitting radionuclide prior to medical use, except for unit dosages obtained from a manufacturer or preparer licensed pursuant to 641—paragraph 39.4(29) “j” or equivalent NRC or Agreement State requirements.

d. Retain a record of the assays required by 41.2(19) “a” for three years. To satisfy this requirement, the record shall contain the:

- (1) Generic name, trade name, or abbreviation of the radiopharmaceutical, its lot number, and expiration dates and the radionuclide;
- (2) Patient’s or human research subject’s name and identification number if one has been assigned;
- (3) Prescribed dosage and activity of the dosage at the time of assay, or a notation that the total activity is less than 30 microcuries (1.1 megabecquerels);
- (4) Date and time of the assay and administration; and
- (5) Initials of the individual who performed the assay.

**41.2(20) Authorization for calibration and reference sources.** Any person authorized by 41.2(3) for medical use of radioactive material may receive, possess, and use the following radioactive material for check, calibration and reference use:

a. Sealed sources manufactured and distributed by persons specifically licensed pursuant to 641—Chapter 39 or equivalent provisions of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, agreement state or licensing state and that do not exceed 15 millicuries (555 MBq) each;

b. Any radioactive material listed in 41.2(31) or 41.2(33) with a half-life of 100 days or less in individual amounts not to exceed 15 millicuries (555 MBq);

c. Any radioactive material listed in 41.2(31) or 41.2(33) with a half-life greater than 100 days in individual amounts not to exceed 200 microcuries (7.4 MBq) each; and

d. Technetium-99m in individual amounts not to exceed 50 millicuries (1.85 GBq).

**41.2(21) Requirements for possession of sealed sources and brachytherapy sources.**

a. A licensee in possession of any sealed source or brachytherapy source shall follow the radiation safety and handling instructions supplied by the manufacturer or equivalent instructions approved by the agency and shall maintain the instructions for the duration of source use in a legible form convenient to users.

b. A licensee in possession of a sealed source shall ensure that:

- (1) The source is tested for leakage before its first use unless the licensee has a certificate from the supplier indicating that the source was tested within six months before transfer to the licensee; and
- (2) The source is tested for leakage at intervals not to exceed six months or at intervals approved by the agency, another agreement state, a licensing state or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

c. To satisfy the leak test requirements of 41.2(21) “b,” the licensee shall ensure that:

(1) Leak tests are capable of detecting the presence of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) of radioactive material on the test sample or, in the case of radium, the escape of radon at the rate of 0.001 microcurie (37 Bq) per 24 hours;

(2) Test samples are taken from the source or from the surfaces of the device in which the source is mounted or stored on which radioactive contamination might be expected to accumulate; and

(3) Test samples are taken when the source is in the “off” position.

d. A licensee shall retain leak test records for five years. The records shall contain the model number, and serial number, if assigned, of each source tested, the identity of each source radionuclide and its estimated activity, the measured activity of each test sample expressed in microcuries (becquerels), a description of the method used to measure each test sample, the date of the test, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

e. If the leak test reveals the presence of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) or more of removable contamination, the licensee shall:

- (1) Immediately withdraw the sealed source from use and store it in accordance with the requirements of these rules; and



(2) File a report with the agency within five days of receiving the leak test results. The report shall describe the equipment involved, the model and serial number of the leaking source, the radionuclide and its estimated activity, the test results, the date of the test, and the action taken.

*f.* A licensee need not perform a leak test on the following sources:

- (1) Sources containing only radioactive material with a half-life of less than 30 days;
- (2) Sources containing only radioactive material as a gas;
- (3) Sources containing 100 microcuries (3.7 MBq) or less of beta or photon-emitting material or 10 microcuries (370 kBq) or less of alpha-emitting material; [and]
- (4) Seeds of iridium-192 encased in nylon ribbon; and
- (5) Sources stored and not being used. The licensee shall, however, test each such source for leakage before any use or transfer unless it has been tested for leakage within six months before the date of use or transfer.

*g.* A licensee in possession of a sealed source or brachytherapy source shall conduct a physical inventory of all such sources at intervals not to exceed three months. The licensee shall retain each inventory record for five years. The inventory records shall contain the model number of each source, and serial number if one has been assigned, the identity of each source radionuclide and its estimated activity, the location of each source, date of the inventory, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

*h.* A licensee in possession of a sealed source or brachytherapy source shall survey with a radiation survey instrument at intervals not to exceed three months all areas where such sources are stored. This does not apply to teletherapy sources in teletherapy units or sealed sources in diagnostic devices.

*i.* A licensee shall retain a record of each survey required in 41.2(21) "h" for three years. The record shall include the date of the survey, a sketch of each area that was surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points in each area expressed in millirems (microsieverts) per hour, the model number and serial number of the survey instrument used to make the survey, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

**41.2(22) Syringe shields.**

*a.* A licensee shall keep syringes that contain radioactive material to be administered in a radiation shield.

*b.* Unless otherwise approved by this agency, a licensee shall require each individual who prepares or administers radiopharmaceuticals to use a syringe radiation shield unless the use of the shield is contraindicated for that patient or human research subject.

**41.2(23) Syringe labels.** Unless utilized immediately, a licensee shall conspicuously label each syringe, or syringe radiation shield that contains a syringe with a radiopharmaceutical, with the radiopharmaceutical name or its abbreviation, the type of diagnostic study or therapy procedure to be performed, or the patient's or human research subject's name.

**41.2(24) Vial shields.** A licensee shall require each individual preparing or handling a vial that contains a radiopharmaceutical to keep the vial in a vial radiation shield.

**41.2(25) Vial shield labels.** A licensee shall conspicuously label each vial radiation shield that contains a vial of a radiopharmaceutical with the radiopharmaceutical name or its abbreviation.

**41.2(26) Surveys for contamination and ambient radiation dose rate.**

*a.* A licensee shall survey with a radiation detection survey instrument at the end of each day of use all areas where radiopharmaceuticals are routinely prepared for use or administered.

*b.* A licensee shall survey with a radiation detection survey instrument at least once each week all areas where radiopharmaceuticals or radioactive wastes are stored.

*c.* A licensee shall conduct the surveys required by 41.2(26) "a" and "b" so as to be able to measure dose rates as low as 0.1 millirem (1  $\mu$ Sv) per hour.

*d.* A licensee shall establish dose rate action levels for the surveys required by 41.2(26) "a" and "b" and shall require that the individual performing the survey immediately notify the radiation safety officer if a dose rate exceeds an action level.

*e.* A licensee shall survey for removable contamination each day of use all areas where radiopharmaceuticals are routinely prepared for use or administered and each week where radioactive materials are stored.

*f.* A licensee shall conduct the surveys required by 41.2(26)“*e*” so as to be able to detect contamination on each wipe sample of 2000 disintegrations per minute (33.3 Bq).

*g.* A licensee shall establish removable contamination action levels for the surveys required by 41.2(26)“*e*” and shall require that the individual performing the survey immediately notify the radiation safety officer if contamination exceeds action levels.

*h.* A licensee shall retain a record of each survey required by 41.2(26)“*a*,” “*b*,” and “*e*” for two years. The record must include the date of the survey, a sketch of each area surveyed, action levels established for each area, the measured dose rate at several points in each area expressed in millirems (microsieverts) per hour or the removable contamination in each area expressed in disintegrations per minute (becquerels) per 100 square centimeters, the serial number and the model number of the instrument used to make the survey or analyze the samples, and the initials of the individual who performed the survey.

*i.* A licensee does not need to perform the surveys required in this subrule in an area where the patient or human research subject is confined and cannot be released under 41.2(27).

**41.2(27)** *Release of patients or human research subjects containing radiopharmaceuticals or permanent implants.*

*a.* The licensee may authorize the release from its control of any individual who has been administered radiopharmaceuticals or permanent implants containing radioactive material if the total effective dose equivalent to any other individual from exposure to the released individual is not likely to exceed 0.5 rem (5 mSv). (NUREG-1556, Vol. 9, “Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Licenses,” describes methods for calculating doses to other individuals and contains tables of activities not likely to cause doses exceeding 0.5 rem (5 mSv)).

*b.* The licensee shall provide the released individual with instructions, including written instructions, on actions recommended to maintain doses to other individuals as low as is reasonably achievable if the total effective dose equivalent to any other individual is likely to exceed 0.1 rem (1 mSv). If the dose to a breast-feeding infant or child could exceed 0.1 rem (1 mSv) assuming there were no interruption of breast feeding, the instructions shall also include:

- (1) Guidance on the interruption or discontinuation of breast feeding, and
- (2) Information on the consequences of failure to follow the guidance.

*c.* The licensee shall maintain a record of the basis for authorizing the release of an individual, for three years after the date of release, if the total effective dose equivalent is calculated by:

- (1) Using the retained activity rather than the activity administered,
- (2) Using an occupancy factor less than 0.25 at 1 meter,
- (3) Using the biological or effective half-life, or
- (4) Considering the shielding by tissue.

*d.* The licensee shall maintain a record for three years after the date of release that instructions were provided to a breast-feeding woman if the radiation dose to the infant or child from continued breast feeding could result in a total effective dose equivalent exceeding 0.5 rem (5 mSv). IDPH Regulatory Guide, Release of Patients Administered Radioactive Materials describes methods for calculating doses to other individuals and contains tables of activities not likely to cause doses exceeding 0.5 rem (5 mSv).

**41.2(28)** *Mobile nuclear medicine service technical requirements.* A licensee providing mobile nuclear medicine service shall:

*a.* Transport to each address of use only syringes or vials containing prepared radiopharmaceuticals or radiopharmaceuticals that are intended for reconstitution of radiopharmaceutical kits;

*b.* Bring into each location of use all radioactive material to be used and, before leaving, remove all unused radioactive material and associated radioactive waste;

*c.* Secure or keep under constant surveillance and immediate control all radioactive material when in transit or at a location of use;

*d.* Check survey instruments and dose calibrators as required in 41.2(17)“*b*”(1)“*d*” and “*e*” and 41.2(18)“*d*” and check all other transported equipment for proper function before medical use at each location of use;

*e.* Carry a calibrated survey meter in each vehicle that is being used to transport radioactive material and, before leaving a client location of use, survey all areas of radiopharmaceutical use with a radiation detection survey instrument to ensure that all radiopharmaceuticals and all associated radioactive waste have been removed; and

*f.* Retain a record of each survey required by 41.2(28) “*e*” for three years. The record must include the date of the survey, a plan of each area that was surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points in each area of use expressed in millirems (microsieverts) per hour, the model and serial number of the instrument used to make the survey, and the initials of the individual who performed the survey.

**41.2(29) *Storage of volatiles and gases.***

*a.* A licensee shall store volatile radiopharmaceuticals and radioactive gases in the shippers’ radiation shield and container.

*b.* A licensee shall store and use a multidose container in a properly functioning fume hood.

**41.2(30) *Decay-in-storage.***

*a.* A licensee may hold radioactive material with half-lives of less than 120 days, except for Cobalt-57 for decay-in-storage before disposal in ordinary trash and is exempt from the requirements of 641—subrule 40.70(1) if the licensee:

- (1) Holds radioactive material for decay a minimum of ten half-lives;
- (2) Monitors radioactive material at the container surface before disposal as ordinary trash and determines that its radioactivity cannot be distinguished from the background radiation level with a radiation detection survey instrument set on its most sensitive scale and with no interposed shielding;
- (3) Removes or obliterates all radiation labels; and
- (4) Separates and monitors each generator column individually with all radiation shielding removed to ensure that its contents have decayed to background radiation level before disposal.

*b.* For radioactive material disposed in accordance with 41.2(30) “*a*,” the licensee shall retain a record of each disposal for three years. The record must include the date of the disposal, the date on which the radioactive material was placed in storage, the radionuclides disposed, the model and serial number of the survey instrument used, the background dose rate, the radiation dose rate measured at the surface of each waste container, and the name of the individual who performed the disposal.

**41.2(31) *Use of unsealed radioactive material for uptake, dilution, or excretion studies for which a written directive is not required.*** Except for quantities that require a written directive under 41.2(87), a licensee may use for uptake, dilution, excretion and imaging studies any unsealed radioactive material prepared for medical use that is either:

*a.* Obtained from a manufacturer or preparer licensed pursuant to 641—paragraph 39.4(29) “*j*” or equivalent U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or agreement state requirements; or

*b.* Prepared by:

- (1) An authorized nuclear pharmacist,
- (2) A physician who is an authorized user and who meets the requirements specified in 41.2(68) or 41.2(69) and has work experience in eluting generator systems appropriate for preparation of radioactive drugs for imaging and localization studies, measuring and testing the eluate for radionuclidic purity, and processing the eluate with reagent kits to prepare labeled radioactive drugs; or before May 3, 2006, who meets the requirements of 10 CFR 35.290; or
- (3) An individual under the supervision, as specified in 41.2(11), of the authorized nuclear pharmacist in 41.2(31) “*b*”(1) or the physician who is an authorized user in 41.2(31) “*b*”(2); or

*c.* Obtained from and prepared by an NRC or agreement state licensee for use in research in accordance with Radioactive Drug Research Committee-approved protocol or an Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA; or

*d.* Prepared by the licensee for use in research in accordance with a Radioactive Drug Research Committee-approved application or an Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA.

**41.2(32) *Possession of survey instrument.*** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material for uptake, dilution, and excretion studies shall possess a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range 0.1 millirem (1.0  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 50 millirems (500  $\mu$ Sv) per hour. The instrument shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(33) Use of radiopharmaceuticals, generators, and reagent kits for imaging and localization studies.** Except for the quantities that require written directive under 41.2(87), a licensee may use for imaging and localization studies any unsealed by-product material prepared for medical use that is either:

- a. Obtained from a manufacturer or preparer licensed pursuant to 641—paragraph 39.4(29) “j” or equivalent NRC or agreement state requirements;
- b. Prepared by an authorized nuclear pharmacist, a physician who is an authorized user and who meets the requirements specified in 41.2(68) or 41.2(69), or an individual under the supervision of either as specified in 41.2(11);
- c. Obtained from and prepared by an NRC or agreement state licensee for use in research in accordance with Radioactive Drug Research Committee-approved protocol or an Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA; or
- d. Prepared by the licensee for use in research in accordance with a Radioactive Drug Research Committee-approved application or an Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA.

**41.2(34) Permissible molybdenum-99 concentration.**

- a. A licensee shall not administer a radiopharmaceutical containing more than 0.15 microcurie of molybdenum-99 per millicurie of technetium-99m (0.15 kilobecquerel of molybdenum-99 per megabecquerel of technetium-99m).
- b. A licensee preparing technetium-99m radiopharmaceuticals from molybdenum-99/technetium-99m generators shall measure the molybdenum-99 concentration in each eluate or extract.
- c. A licensee who must measure molybdenum concentration shall retain a record of each measurement for three years. The record shall include, for each elution or extraction of technetium-99m, the measured activity of the technetium expressed in millicuries (megabecquerels), the measured activity of molybdenum expressed in microcuries (kilobecquerels), the ratio of the measures expressed as microcuries of molybdenum per millicurie of technetium (kilobecquerels of molybdenum per megabecquerel of technetium), the date of the test, and the initials of the individual who performed the test.
- d. A licensee shall report immediately to the agency each occurrence of molybdenum-99 concentration exceeding the limits specified in 41.2(34) “a.”

**41.2(35) Control of aerosols and gases.**

- a. A licensee who administers radioactive aerosols or gases shall do so with a system that will keep airborne concentrations within the limits prescribed by 641—40.15(136C) and 641—40.26(136C) of these rules.
- b. The system shall either be directly vented to the atmosphere through an air exhaust or provide for collection and decay or disposal of the aerosol or gas in a shielded container.
- c. A licensee shall only administer radioactive gases in rooms that are at negative pressure compared to surrounding rooms.
- d. Before receiving, using, or storing a radioactive gas, the licensee shall calculate the amount of time needed after a release to reduce the concentration in the area of use to the occupational limit listed in Appendix B of 641—Chapter 40. The calculation shall be based on the highest activity of gas handled in a single container and the measured available air exhaust rate.
- e. A licensee shall post the time calculated in 41.2(35) “a” at the area of use and require that, in case of a gas spill, individuals evacuate the room until the posted time has elapsed.
- f. A licensee shall check the operation of collection systems monthly and measure the ventilation rates in areas of use at intervals not to exceed six months. Records of these checks and measurements shall be maintained for three years.
- g. A copy of the calculations required in 41.2(35) “d” shall be recorded and retained for the duration of the license.

**41.2(36) Possession of survey instruments.** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material for imaging and localization studies shall possess a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range of 0.1 millirem (1  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 50 millirems (500  $\mu$ Sv) per hour, and a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the

range of 1 millirem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour. The instruments shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(37) Use of radiopharmaceuticals for therapeutic use or unsealed by-product material for which a written directive is required.** Material must be:

- a. Obtained from a manufacturer or preparer licensed by the NRC or an agreement state to manufacture and prepare by-product material for medical use; or
- b. Prepared by an authorized nuclear pharmacist, a physician who is an authorized user and who meets the requirements of 41.2(68) or 41.2(69), or an individual under the supervision of either as specified in 41.2(11); or
- c. Obtained from and prepared by an NRC or agreement state licensee for use in research in accordance with the Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA; or
- d. Prepared by the licensee for use in research in accordance with an Investigational New Drug (IND) protocol accepted by FDA.

**41.2(38) Safety instruction.**

- a. A licensee shall provide oral and written radiation safety instruction for all personnel caring for patients or human research subjects undergoing radiopharmaceutical therapy and hospitalized for compliance with 41.2(27). Refresher training shall be provided at intervals not to exceed one year.
- b. To satisfy 41.2(38)“a,” the instruction shall describe the licensee’s procedures for:
  - (1) Patient or human research subject control;
  - (2) Visitor control;
  - (3) Contamination control;
  - (4) Waste control;
  - (5) Notification of the radiation safety officer, radiation safety officer designee, or authorized user in case of the patient’s or human research subject’s death or medical emergency; and
  - (6) Training requirements specified in 641—40.110(136C) and 40.116(136C) and adopted by reference and included herein.
- c. A licensee shall keep a record of individuals receiving instruction required by 41.2(38)“a,” a description of the instruction, the date of instruction, and the name of the individual who gave the instruction. Such record shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for three years.

**41.2(39) Safety precautions.**

- a. For each patient or human research subject receiving radiopharmaceutical therapy and hospitalized for compliance with 41.2(27), a licensee shall:
  - (1) Provide a private room with a private sanitary facility or a room, with a private sanitary facility, with another individual who also has received therapy with unsealed radioactive material and who also cannot be released under 41.2(27);
  - (2) Post the patient’s or human research subject’s door with a “Caution: Radioactive Material” sign and note on the door or on the patient’s or human research subject’s chart where and how long visitors may stay in the patient’s or human research subject’s room;
  - (3) Authorize visits by individuals under 18 years of age only on a case-by-case basis with the approval of the authorized user after consultation with the radiation safety officer;
  - (4) Promptly after administration of the dosage, measure the dose rates in contiguous restricted and unrestricted areas with a radiation measurement survey instrument to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of 641—subrule 40.26(1) which is adopted by reference and included herein and retain for three years a record of each survey that includes the time and date of the survey, a plan of the area or list of points surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points expressed in millirems ( $\mu$ Sv) per hour, the instrument used to make the survey, and the initials of the individual who made the survey;
  - (5) Either monitor material and items removed from the patient’s or human research subject’s room to determine that any contamination cannot be distinguished from the natural background radiation level with a radiation detection survey instrument set on its most sensitive scale and with no interposed shielding, or handle these materials and items as radioactive waste;

(6) Provide the patient or human research subject with radiation safety guidance that will help to keep radiation dose to household members and the public as low as reasonably achievable before authorizing release of the patient or human research subject;

(7) Survey the patient's or human research subject's room and private sanitary facility for removable contamination with a radiation detection survey instrument before assigning another patient or human research subject to the room. The room must not be reassigned until removable contamination is less than 200 disintegrations per minute (3.33 Bq) per 100 square centimeters; and

(8) Measure the thyroid burden of each individual who helped prepare or administer a dosage of iodine-131 during the period which starts the first day after administration and ends the fourth day after administering the dosage, and retain for the period required by 641—paragraph 40.82(2)“c” which is adopted and included herein a record of each thyroid burden measurement, date of measurement, the name of the individual whose thyroid burden was measured, and the initials of the individual who made the measurements.

b. A licensee shall notify the radiation safety officer or the authorized user immediately if the patient or human research subject dies or has a medical emergency.

**41.2(40) Possession of survey instruments.** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material for radiopharmaceutical therapy shall possess a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range of 0.1 millirem (1  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 50 millirems (500  $\mu$ Sv) per hour, and a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range of 1 millirem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour. The instruments shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(41) Use of sealed sources for diagnosis.** A licensee shall use only sealed sources for diagnostic medical uses as approved in the Sealed Source and Device Registry.

**41.2(42) Availability of survey instrument.** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material as a sealed source for diagnostic purposes shall have available for use a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range of 0.1 millirem (1  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 50 millirems (500  $\mu$ Sv) per hour or a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range of 1 millirem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour. The instrument shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(43) Use of sources for brachytherapy.** A licensee shall use only brachytherapy sources for therapeutic medical uses:

a. As approved in the Sealed Source and Device Registry; or

b. In research in accordance with an active Investigational Device Exemption (IDE) application accepted by the FDA provided the requirements of 41.2(15) are met.

**41.2(44) Safety instruction.**

a. The licensee shall provide oral and written radiation safety instruction to all personnel caring for a patient or human research subject receiving implant therapy. Refresher training shall be provided at intervals not to exceed one year.

b. To satisfy 41.2(44)“a,” the instruction shall describe:

(1) Size and appearance of the brachytherapy sources;

(2) Safe handling and shielding instructions in case of a dislodged source;

(3) Procedures for patient or human research subject control;

(4) Procedures for visitor control, to include routine visitation of hospitalized individuals in accordance with 641—40.26(136C) and visitation authorized in accordance with 641—40.26(136C);

(5) Procedures for notification of the radiation safety officer, radiation safety officer designee, or authorized user if the patient or human research subject dies or has a medical emergency; and

(6) Training requirements specified in 641—40.110(136C) and 40.116(136C) as adopted by reference and included herein.

c. A licensee shall maintain a record of individuals receiving instruction required by 41.2(44)“a,” a description of the instruction, the date of instruction, and the name of the individual who gave the instruction for three years.

**41.2(45) Safety precautions.**

a. For each patient or human research subject receiving implant therapy a licensee shall:

(1) Not place the patient or human research subject in the same room with a patient who is not receiving radiation therapy unless the licensee can demonstrate compliance with the requirement of 641—40.26(136C) as adopted by reference and included herein at a distance of 1 meter from the implant;

(2) Post the patient's or human research subject's door with a "Caution: Radioactive Materials" sign and note on the door or the patient's or human research subject's chart where and how long visitors may stay in the patient's or human research subject's room;

(3) Authorize visits by individuals under 18 years of age only on a case-by-case basis with the approval of the authorized user after consultation with the radiation safety officer;

(4) Promptly after implanting the sources, survey the dose rates in contiguous restricted and unrestricted areas with a radiation measurement survey instrument to demonstrate compliance with 641—40.26(136C) as adopted by reference and included herein; and retain for three years a record of each survey that includes the time and date of the survey, a sketch of the area or list of points surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points expressed in millirems (mSv) per hour, the instrument used to make the survey, and the initials of the individual who made the survey;

(5) Provide the patient or human research subject with radiation safety guidance that will help keep the radiation dose to household members and the public as low as reasonably achievable before releasing the patient or human research subject if the patient or human research subject was administered a permanent implant; and

(6) Have applicable emergency response equipment available near each treatment room to respond to a source dislodged from the patient or lodged within the patient following removal of the source applicators.

b. A licensee shall notify the radiation safety officer, radiation safety officer designee, or authorized user immediately if the patient or human research subject dies or has a medical emergency.

**41.2(46) Brachytherapy sources inventory.**

a. Each time brachytherapy sources are returned to an area of storage from an area of use, the licensee shall immediately count or otherwise verify the number returned to ensure that all sources taken from the storage area have been returned.

b. A licensee shall make a record of brachytherapy source utilization which includes:

(1) The names of the individuals permitted to handle the sources;

(2) The number and activity of sources removed from storage, the room number of use and patient's or human research subject's name, the time and date they were removed from storage, the number and activity of sources in storage after the removal, and the initials of the individual who removed the sources from storage; and

(3) The number and activity of sources returned to storage, the room number of use and patient's or human research subject's name, the time and date they were returned to storage, the number and activity of sources in storage after the return, and the initials of the individual who returned the sources to storage.

c. Immediately after implanting sources in a patient or human research subject and immediately after removal of sources from a patient or human research subject, the licensee shall make a radiation survey of the patient or human research subject and the area of use to confirm that no sources have been misplaced. The licensee shall make a record of each survey.

d. A licensee shall maintain the records required in 41.2(46) "b" and "c" for three years.

e. A licensee shall maintain accountability at all times for all brachytherapy sources in storage or use. As soon as possible after removing sources from a patient or a human research subject, a licensee shall return brachytherapy sources to a secure storage area.

**41.2(47) Release of patients or human research subjects treated with temporary implants.**

a. Immediately after removing the last temporary implant source from a patient or human research subject, the licensee shall perform a radiation survey of the patient or human research subject with a radiation detection survey instrument to confirm that all sources have been removed and, for remote afterloaders, returned to the safe shielded position. The licensee shall not release from confinement for

medical care a patient or human research subject treated by temporary implant until all sources have been removed.

*b.* A licensee shall maintain a record of patient or human research subject surveys which demonstrate compliance with 41.2(47)“a” for three years. Each record shall include the date of the survey, the name of the patient or human research subject, the dose rate from the patient or human research subject expressed as millirems (microsieverts) per hour and measured within 1 meter from the patient or human research subject, and the initials of the individual who made the survey.

**41.2(48) Possession of survey instruments.** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material for implant therapy shall possess a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range of 0.1 millirem (1  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 50 millirems (500  $\mu$ Sv) per hour, and a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range of 1 millirem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour. The instruments shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(49) Use of a sealed source in a remote afterloader unit, teletherapy unit, or gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit.** A licensee shall use sealed sources in photon emitting remote afterloader units, teletherapy units, or gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units for therapeutic medical uses as approved in the Sealed Source and Device Registry or in research in accordance with an active Investigational Device Exemption (IDE) application accepted by the FDA provided the requirements of 41.2(15) are met.

**41.2(50) Installation, maintenance, adjustment, and repair.**

*a.* Only a person specifically licensed by the NRC or an agreement state shall install, maintain, adjust, or repair a remote afterloader unit, teletherapy unit, or gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit that involves work on the source shielding, the source(s) driving unit, or other electronic or mechanical component that could expose the source(s), or reduce the shielding around the source(s), or compromise the radiation safety of the unit or the source(s).

*b.* Except for low-dose-rate remote afterloader units, only a person specifically licensed by the NRC or an agreement state shall install, replace, relocate, or remove a sealed source or source contained in other remote afterloader units, teletherapy units, or gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.

*c.* For low-dose-rate remote afterloader units, only a person specifically licensed by the NRC or an agreement state or an authorized medical physicist shall install, replace, relocate, or remove a sealed source(s) contained in the unit.

*d.* A licensee shall retain a record of the installation, maintenance, adjustment, and repair of remote afterloader units, teletherapy units and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units for three years. The record must include the date, description of the service, and the name of the individual who performed the work.

**41.2(51) Amendments.** In addition to the requirements specified in 41.2(4), a licensee shall apply for and receive a license amendment before:

- a.* Making any change in the treatment room shielding;
- b.* Making any change in the location of the teletherapy unit within the treatment room;
- c.* Using the teletherapy unit in a manner that could result in increased radiation levels in areas outside the teletherapy treatment room;
- d.* Relocating the teletherapy unit; or
- e.* Allowing an individual not listed on the licensee’s license to perform the duties of the teletherapy physicist.

**41.2(52) Safety procedures and instructions for remote afterloader units, teletherapy units, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.**

- a.* A licensee shall:
  - (1) Secure the unit, the console, the console keys, and the treatment room when not in use or unattended;
  - (2) Permit only individuals approved by the authorized user, radiation safety officer, or authorized medical physicist to be present in the treatment room during treatment with the source;
  - (3) Prevent dual operation of more than one radiation producing device in a treatment room, if applicable; and



(4) Develop, implement, and maintain written procedures for responding to an abnormal situation when the operator is unable to place the source in the shielded position, or to remove the patient or human research subject from the radiation field with controls from outside the treatment room. These procedures must include:

1. Instructions for responding to equipment failures and the names of the individuals responsible for implementing corrective actions;

2. The process for restricting access to and posting of the treatment area to minimize the risk of inadvertent exposure; and

3. The names and telephone numbers of the authorized users, the authorized medical physicist, and the radiation safety officer to be contacted if the unit or console operates abnormally.

b. A copy of the procedures required by 41.2(52)“a”(4) must be physically located at the unit console.

c. A licensee shall post instructions at the unit console to inform the operator of:

(1) The location of the procedures required by 41.2(52)“a”(4); and

(2) The names and telephone numbers of the authorized users, the authorized medical physicist, and the radiation safety officer to be contacted if the unit or console operates abnormally.

d. A licensee shall provide instruction, initially and at least annually, to all individuals who operate the unit, appropriate to the individual’s assigned duties, in:

(1) The procedures identified in 41.2(52)“a”(4); and

(2) The operating procedures for the unit.

e. The licensee shall ensure that operators, authorized medical physicists, and authorized users participate in drills of emergency procedures, initially and at least annually.

f. A licensee shall retain a record for three years of individuals receiving instruction required by 41.2(52)“d,” a description of the instruction, the date of instruction, and the name of the individual who gave the instruction. A copy of the procedures required in 41.2(52)“a”(4) and 41.2(52)“d”(2) shall be retained for three years.

**41.2(53)** *Safety precautions for remote afterloader units, teletherapy units, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.*

a. A licensee shall control access to the teletherapy room by a door at each entrance.

b. A licensee shall equip each entrance to the teletherapy room with an electrical interlock system that shall:

(1) Prevent the operator from turning the primary beam of radiation “on” unless each treatment room entrance door is closed;

(2) Turn the beam of radiation “off” immediately when an entrance door is opened; and

(3) Prevent the primary beam of radiation from being turned “on” following an interlock interruption until all treatment room entrance doors are closed and the beam “on-off” control is reset at the console.

c. A licensee shall require any individual entering the treatment room to ensure, through the use of appropriate monitors, that radiation levels have returned to ambient levels.

d. Except for low-dose-rate remote afterloader units, a licensee shall construct or equip each treatment room with viewing and intercom systems to permit continuous observation of the patient or human research subject from the treatment console during irradiation.

e. For licensed activities where sources are placed within the patient’s or human research subject’s body, the licensee shall only conduct treatments which allow for expeditious removal of a decoupled or jammed source.

f. In addition to the requirements specified in 41.2(53)“a” through “e,” a licensee shall:

(1) For medium-dose-rate and pulsed-dose-rate remote afterloader units, require:

1. An authorized medical physicist and either an authorized user or a physician, under the supervision of an authorized user, who have been trained in the operation of and emergency response for the unit to be physically present during the initiation of all patient treatments involving the unit; and

2. An authorized medical physicist and either an authorized user or an individual, under the supervision of an authorized user, who have been trained to remove the source applicator in the event

of an emergency involving the unit to be immediately available during continuation of all patient treatments involving the unit.

(2) For high-dose-rate remote afterloader units, require:

1. An authorized user and an authorized medical physicist to be physically present during the initiation of all patient treatments involving the unit; and

2. An authorized medical physicist and either an authorized user or a physician, under the supervision of an authorized user, who have been trained in the operation and emergency response for the unit, to be physically present during the continuation of all patient treatments involving the unit.

(3) For gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units, require an authorized user and an authorized medical physicist to be physically present throughout all patient treatments involving the unit. As used in this subparagraph, "physically present" means to be within hearing distance of normal voice.

(4) Notify the radiation safety officer, or the radiation safety officer designee, and an authorized user as soon as possible if the patient or human research subject has a medical emergency or dies.

g. A licensee shall have applicable emergency response equipment available near each treatment room to respond to a source remaining in the unshielded position or lodged within the patient following completion of the treatment.

**41.2(54) Possession of survey instrument.** A licensee authorized to use radioactive material in a teletherapy unit shall possess either a portable radiation detection survey instrument capable of detecting dose rates over the range of 0.1 millirem ( $1 \mu\text{Sv}$ ) per hour to 50 millirems ( $500 \mu\text{Sv}$ ) per hour or a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range of 1 millirem ( $10 \mu\text{Sv}$ ) per hour to 1000 millirems (10 mSv) per hour. The instruments shall be operable and calibrated in accordance with 41.2(18).

**41.2(55) Radiation monitoring device.**

a. A licensee shall have in each teletherapy room a permanent radiation monitor capable of continuously monitoring beam status.

b. Each radiation monitor shall be capable of providing visible notice of a teletherapy unit malfunction that results in an exposed or partially exposed source. The visible indicator of high radiation levels shall be observable by an individual entering the teletherapy room.

c. Each radiation monitor shall be equipped with a backup power supply separate from the power supply to the teletherapy unit. This backup power supply may be a battery system.

d. A radiation monitor shall be checked with a dedicated check source for proper operation each day before the teletherapy unit is used for treatment of patients or human research subjects.

e. A licensee shall maintain a record of the check required by 41.2(55) "d" for three years. The record shall include the date of the check, notation that the monitor indicates when the source is exposed, and the initials of the individual who performed the check.

f. If a radiation monitor is inoperable, the licensee shall require any individual entering the teletherapy room to use a survey instrument or audible alarm personal dosimeter to monitor for any malfunction of the source exposure mechanism. The instrument or dosimeter shall be checked with a dedicated check source for proper operation at the beginning of each day of use. The licensee shall keep a record as described in 41.2(55) "e."

g. A licensee shall promptly repair or replace the radiation monitor if it is inoperable.

**41.2(56) Viewing system.** A licensee shall construct or equip each teletherapy room to permit continuous observation of the patient or human research subject from the teletherapy unit console during irradiation.

**41.2(57) Dosimetry equipment.**

a. Except for low-dose-rate remote afterloader sources where the source output or activity is determined by the manufacturer, a licensee shall have a calibrated dosimetry system available for use. To satisfy this requirement, one of the following two conditions shall be met:

(1) The system shall have been calibrated using a system or source traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology and published protocols accepted by nationally recognized bodies, or by a calibration laboratory accredited by the American Association of Physicists in Medicine. The calibration

shall have been performed within the previous two years and after any servicing that may have affected system calibration; or

(2) The system shall have been calibrated within the previous four years; 18 to 30 months after that calibration, the system shall have been intercompared with another dosimetry system that was calibrated within the past 24 months by the National Institute of Standards and Technology or by a calibration laboratory accredited by the American Association of Physicists in Medicine. The results of the intercomparison must have indicated that the calibration factor of the licensee's system had not changed by more than 2 percent. The licensee shall not use the intercomparison result to change the calibration factor. When intercomparing dosimetry systems to be used for calibrating sealed sources for therapeutic units, the licensee shall use a comparable unit with beam attenuators or collimators, if applicable, and sources of the same radionuclide as the source used at the licensee's facility.

*b.* The licensee shall have available for use a dosimetry system for spot-check measurements. To meet this requirement, the system may be compared with a system that has been calibrated in accordance with 41.2(57) "a." This comparison shall have been performed within the previous year and after each servicing that may have affected system calibration. The spot-check system shall be the same system used to meet the requirement in 41.2(57) "a."

*c.* The licensee shall maintain a record of each calibration, intercomparison, and comparison for the duration of the license. For each calibration, intercomparison, or comparison, the record shall include the date, the model numbers and serial numbers of the instruments that were calibrated, intercompared, or compared as required by 41.2(57) "a" and "b," the correction factors that were determined, the names of the individuals who performed the calibration, intercomparison, or comparison, and evidence that the intercomparison meeting was sanctioned by a calibration laboratory or radiologic physics center accredited by the American Association of Physicists in Medicine.

**41.2(58)** *Full calibration measurements on teletherapy units, remote afterloader units, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.*

*a. Teletherapy units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use a teletherapy unit for medical use shall perform full calibration measurements for each teletherapy unit:

1. Before the first medical use of the unit; and
2. Before medical use under the following conditions:
  - Whenever spot-check measurements indicate that the output differs by more than 5 percent from the output of the last full calibration corrected mathematically for radioactive decay;
  - Following replacement of the source or following reinstallation of the teletherapy unit in a new location;
  - Following any repair of the teletherapy unit that includes removal of the source or major repair of the components associated with the source exposure assembly; and
3. At intervals not exceeding one year.

(2) To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(58) "a"(1), full calibration measurements must include determination of:

1. The output within  $\pm 3$  percent for the range of field sizes and for the distance or range of distances used for medical use;
2. The coincidence of the radiation field and the field indicated by the light beam localizing device;
3. The uniformity of the radiation field and its dependence on the orientation of the useful beam;
4. Timer accuracy and linearity over the range of use;
5. On-off error; and
6. The accuracy of all distance measuring and localization devices in medical use.

(3) A licensee shall use the dosimetry system described in 41.2(57) to measure the output for one set of exposure conditions. The remaining radiation measurements required in 41.2(58) "a"(2)"1" may be made using the dosimetry system that indicates relative dose rates.

(4) A licensee shall make full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58) "a" in accordance with published protocols accepted by nationally recognized bodies.

(5) A licensee shall mathematically correct the outputs determined in 41.2(58)“a”(2)“1” for physical decay for intervals not exceeding one month for cobalt-60, six months for cesium-137, or at intervals consistent with 1 percent of all other radionuclides.

(6) Full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58)“a”(1) and physical decay corrections required in 41.2(58)“a”(5) must be performed by the authorized medical physicist.

(7) A licensee shall maintain a record of each calibration for the duration of the license. The record shall include the date of the calibration; the manufacturer’s name, model number, and serial number for both the unit and the source; tables that describe the output of the unit over the range of field sizes and for the range of distances used in radiation therapy; a determination of the coincidence of the radiation field and the field indicated by the light beam localizing device; the measured timer accuracy for a typical treatment time; the calculated “on-off” error; the estimated accuracy of each distance measuring or localization device; and the signature of the authorized medical physicist.

*b. Remote afterloader units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use a remote afterloader unit for medical use shall perform full calibration measurements for each unit:

1. Before the first medical use of the unit; and

2. Before medical use under the following conditions:

- Following replacement of the source or following reinstallation of the unit in a new location outside the facility; and

- Following any repair of the unit that includes removal of the source or major repair of the components associated with the source exposure assembly; and

3. At intervals not exceeding one quarter of a year for high-dose-rate, medium-dose-rate, and pulsed-dose-rate remote afterloader units with sources whose half-life exceeds 75 days; and

4. At intervals not exceeding one year for low-dose-rate remote afterloader units.

(2) To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(58)“b”(1), full calibration measurements must include, as applicable, determination of:

1. The output within  $\pm 5$  percent;

2. Source positioning accuracy to within  $\pm 1$  millimeter;

3. Source retraction with backup battery upon power failure;

4. Length of the source transfer tubes;

5. Timer accuracy and linearity over the typical range of use;

6. Length of the applicators; and

7. Function of the source transfer tubes, applicators, and transfer tube-applicator interfaces.

(3) A licensee shall use the dosimetry system described in 41.2(57) to measure the output.

(4) A licensee shall make full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58)“b”(1) in accordance with published protocols accepted by nationally recognized bodies.

(5) In addition to the requirements for full calibrations for low-dose-rate remote afterloader units in 41.2(58)“b”(2), a licensee shall perform an autoradiograph of the source to verify inventory and source arrangement at intervals not exceeding one quarter of a year.

(6) For low-dose-rate remote afterloader units, a licensee may use measurements provided by the source manufacturer that are made in accordance with 41.2(58)“b.”

(7) A licensee shall mathematically correct the outputs determined in 41.2(58)“b”(2)“1” for physical decay intervals consistent with 1 percent physical decay.

(8) Full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58)“b”(1) and physical decay corrections required by 41.2(58)“b”(7) must be performed by the authorized medical physicist.

(9) A licensee shall retain a record of each calibration in accordance with 41.2(58)“a”(7).

*c. Gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use a gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit for medical use shall perform full calibration measurements on each unit:

1. Before the first medical use of the unit;

2. Before medical use under the following conditions:

- Whenever spot-check measurements indicate that the output differs by more than 5 percent from the output obtained at the last full calibration corrected mathematically for radioactive decay;
- Following replacement of the sources or following reinstallation of the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit in a new location; and
- Following any repair of the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit that includes removal of the sources or major repair of the components associated with the source assembly; and

3. At intervals not exceeding one year, with the exception that relative helmet factors need only be determined before the first medical use of a helmet and following any damage to a helmet.

(2) To satisfy the requirement of 41.2(58)“c”(1), full calibration measurements must include determination of:

1. The output within  $\pm 3$  percent;
2. Relative helmet factors;
3. Isocenter coincidence;
4. Timer accuracy and linearity over the range of use;
5. On-off error;
6. Trunnion centricity;
7. Treatment table retraction mechanism, using backup battery power or hydraulic backups with the unit off;
8. Helmet microswitches;
9. Emergency timing circuits; and
10. Stereotactic frames and localizing devices (trunnions).

(3) A licensee shall use the dosimetry system described in 41.2(57) to measure the output for one set of exposure conditions. The remaining radiation measurements required in 41.2(58)“c”(2)“1” may be made using a dosimetry system that indicates relative dose rates.

(4) A licensee shall make full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58)“c”(1) in accordance with published protocols accepted by nationally recognized bodies.

(5) A licensee shall mathematically correct the outputs determined in 41.2(58)“c”(2)“1” at intervals not exceeding one month for cobalt-60 and at intervals consistent with 1 percent physical decay for all other radionuclides.

(6) Full calibration measurements required by 41.2(58)“c”(1) and physical decay corrections required in 41.2(58)“c”(5) must be performed by the authorized medical physicist.

(7) A licensee shall retain a record of each calibration in accordance with 41.2(58)“a”(7).

**41.2(59) Periodic spot checks for teletherapy units, remote afterloader units, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.**

*a. Teletherapy units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use teletherapy units for medical use shall perform output spot checks on each teletherapy unit once in each calendar month that include determination of:

1. Timer accuracy and timer linearity over the range of use;
2. On-off error;
3. The coincidence of the radiation field and the field indicated by the light beam localizing device;
4. The accuracy of all distance measuring and localization devices used for medical use;
5. The output for one typical set of operating conditions measured with the dosimetry system described in 41.2(57); and

6. The difference between the measurement made in 41.2(59)“a”(1)“5” and the anticipated output expressed as a percentage of the anticipated output (i.e., the value obtained at last full calibration corrected mathematically for physical decay).

(2) A licensee shall perform measurements required by 41.2(59)“a”(1) in accordance with written procedures established by the authorized medical physicist. That individual need not actually perform the spot-check measurements.

(3) A licensee shall have the authorized medical physicist review the results of each spot check within 15 days. The authorized medical physicist shall notify the licensee as soon as possible in writing of the result of each spot check.

(4) A licensee authorized to use a teletherapy unit for medical use shall perform safety spot checks of each teletherapy facility once in each calendar month and after each source installation to ensure proper operation of:

1. Electrical interlocks at each teletherapy room entrance;
2. Electrical or mechanical stops installed for the purpose of limiting use of the primary beam of radiation (restriction of source housing angulation or elevation, carriage or stand travel and operation of the beam on-off mechanism);
3. Source exposure indicator lights on the teletherapy unit, on the control console, and in the facility;
4. Viewing and intercom systems;
5. Treatment room doors from inside and outside the treatment room; and
6. Electrically assisted treatment room doors with the teletherapy unit electrical power turned off.

(5) If the results of the spot checks required in 41.2(59) "a"(4) indicate the malfunction of any system, the licensee shall lock the control console in the off position and not use the unit except as may be necessary to repair, replace, or check the malfunctioning system.

(6) A licensee shall retain for three years a record of each spot check required in 41.2(59) "a." The record must include:

1. The date of the spot check;
2. The manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number of the teletherapy unit, source and instrument used to measure the output of the teletherapy unit;
3. An assessment of timer linearity and constancy;
4. The calculated on-off error;
5. A determination of the coincidence of the radiation field and the field indicated by the light beam localizing device;
6. The determined accuracy of each distance measuring and localization device;
7. The difference between the anticipated output and the measured output;
8. Notations indicating the operability of each entrance door electrical interlock, each electrical or mechanical source exposure indicator light, and the viewing and intercom system and doors; and
9. The name of the individual who performed the periodic spot check and the signature of the authorized medical physicist who reviewed the record of the spot check.

(7) A licensee shall retain a copy of the procedures required by 41.2(59) "a"(2) until the licensee no longer possesses the teletherapy unit.

*b. Remote afterloader units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use a remote afterloader unit for medical use shall perform spot checks of each remote afterloader facility and on each unit:

1. Before the first use of a high-dose-rate, medium-dose-rate, or pulsed-dose-rate remote afterloader unit on a given day;
2. Before each patient treatment with a low-dose-rate remote afterloader unit; and
3. After each source installation.

(2) A licensee shall perform the measurements required by 41.2(59) "b"(1) in accordance with written procedures established by the authorized medical physicist. That individual need not actually perform the spot-check measurements.

(3) A licensee shall have the authorized medical physicist review the results of each spot check within 15 days. The authorized medical physicist shall notify the licensee as soon as possible in writing of the results of each spot check.

(4) To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(59) "b"(1), spot checks must, at a minimum, ensure proper operation of:

1. Electrical interlocks at each remote afterloader unit room entrance;
2. Source exposure indicator lights on the remote afterloader unit, on the control console, and in the facility;
3. Viewing and intercom systems in each high-dose-rate, medium-dose-rate, and pulsed-dose-rate remote afterloader facility;

4. Emergency response equipment;
5. Radiation monitors used to indicate the source position;
6. Timer accuracy;
7. Clock (date and time) in the unit's computer; and
8. Decayed source(s) activity in the unit's computer.

(5) If the results of the spot checks required in 41.2(59) "b"(4) indicate the malfunction of any system, the licensee shall lock the control console in the off position and not use the unit except as may be necessary to repair, replace, or spot check the malfunctioning system.

(6) A licensee shall retain for three years a record of each spot check required in 41.2(59) "b"(4). The record must include:

1. The date of the spot check;
2. The manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number for the remote afterloader unit and source;
3. An assessment of timer accuracy;
4. Notations indicating the operability of each entrance door electrical interlock, radiation monitors, source exposure indicator lights, viewing and intercom systems, and clock and decayed source activity in the unit's computer; and

5. The name of the individual who performed the periodic spot check and the signature of the authorized medical physicist who reviewed the record of the spot check.

(7) A licensee shall retain a copy of the procedures required in 41.2(59) "b"(2) until the licensee no longer possesses the remote afterloader unit.

*c. Gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.*

(1) A licensee authorized to use a gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit for medical use shall perform spot checks for the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery facility and on each unit:

1. Monthly;
2. Before the first use of the unit on a given day; and
3. After each source installation.

(2) A licensee shall:

1. Perform the measurements required by 41.2(59) "c"(1) in accordance with written procedures established by the authorized medical physicist. That individual need not actually perform the spot-check measurements.

2. Have the authorized medical physicist review the results of each spot check within 15 days. The authorized medical physicist shall notify the licensee as soon as possible in writing of the results of each spot check.

(3) To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(59) "c"(1) "1," spot checks must, at a minimum:

1. Ensure proper operation of treatment table retraction mechanism, using backup battery power or hydraulic backups with the unit off; helmet microswitches; emergency timing circuits; and stereotactic frames and localizing devices (trunnions).

2. Determine:

- The output for one typical set of operating conditions measured with the dosimetry system described in 41.2(57);

- The difference between the measurement made in the above bulleted point and the anticipated output expressed as a percentage of the anticipated output (i.e., the value obtained at last full calibration corrected mathematically for physical decay);

- Source output against computer calculation;
- Timer accuracy and linearity over the range of use;
- On-off error; and
- Trunnion centricity.

(4) To satisfy the requirements of 41.2(59) "c"(1) "2" and "3," spot checks must ensure proper functioning of:

1. Electrical interlocks at each gamma stereotactic radiosurgery room entrance;

2. Source exposure indicator lights on the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit, on the control console, and in the facility;
3. Viewing and intercom systems;
4. Timer termination;
5. Radiation monitors used to indicate room exposures; and
6. Emergency off buttons.

(5) A licensee shall arrange as soon as possible for the repair of any system identified in 41.2(59)“c”(3) that is not operating properly.

(6) If the results of the spot checks required in 41.2(59)“c”(4) indicate the malfunction of any system, the licensee shall lock the control console in the off position and not use the unit except as may be necessary to repair, replace, or check the malfunctioning system.

(7) A licensee shall retain for three years a record of each spot check required by 41.2(59)“c”(3) and (4). The record must include:

1. The date of the spot check;
2. The manufacturer’s name, model number, and serial number for the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit and the survey instrument used to measure the output of the unit;
3. An assessment of timer linearity and accuracy;
4. The calculated on-off error;
5. A determination of trunnion centricity;
6. The difference between the anticipated output and the measured output;
7. An assessment of source output against computer calculations;
8. Notations indicating the operability of radiation monitors, helmet microswitches, emergency timing circuits, on-off buttons, electrical interlocks, source exposure indicator lights, viewing and intercom systems, timer termination, treatment table retraction mechanism, and stereotactic frames and localizing devices (trunnions); and
9. The name of the individual who performed the periodic spot check and the signature of the authorized medical physicist who reviewed the record of the spot check.

(8) A licensee shall retain a copy of the procedures required in 41.2(59)“c”(2) until the licensee no longer possesses the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit.

**41.2(60) Radiation surveys for teletherapy facilities.**

a. In addition to the survey requirements in 641—40.36(136C), a person licensed under 641—41.2(136C) shall make surveys to ensure that the maximum radiation levels and average radiation levels from the surface of the main source safe with the source in the shielded position do not exceed the levels stated in the Sealed Source and Device Registry.

b. The licensee shall make the survey required in 41.2(60)“a” at installation of a new source, and following repairs to the source shielding, the source driving unit, or other electronic or mechanical component that could expose the source, reduce the shielding around the source, or compromise the radiation safety of the source.

c. A licensee shall maintain a record of the radiation measurements made following installation of a source for the duration of the license. The record shall include the date of the measurements, the reason the survey is required, the manufacturer’s name, model number and serial number of the teletherapy unit, the source, and the instrument used to measure radiation levels, each dose rate measured around the teletherapy source while in the “off” position and the average of all measurements, a plan of the areas surrounding the treatment room that were surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points in each area expressed in millirems ( $\mu\text{Sv}$ ) per hour, the calculated maximum level of radiation over a period of one week for each restricted and unrestricted area, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

**41.2(61) Safety spot checks for teletherapy facilities.**

a. A licensee shall promptly check all systems listed in 41.2(59)“g” for proper function after each installation of a teletherapy source and after making any change for which an amendment is required by 41.2(51).



b. If the results of the safety spot checks required in 41.2(61) “a” indicate the malfunction of any system specified in 41.2(59), the licensee shall lock the control console in the “off” position and not use the unit except as may be necessary to repair, replace, or check the malfunctioning system.

c. A licensee shall maintain a record of the safety spot checks following installation of a source for three years. The record shall include notations indicating the operability of each entrance door interlock, each electrical or mechanical stop, each beam condition indicator light, the viewing system, doors, and the signature of the radiation safety officer.

**41.2(62) Modification of teletherapy unit or room before beginning a treatment program.** If the survey required by 41.2(60) indicates that any individual member of the public is likely to receive a dose greater than those permitted by 641—40.26(136C) before beginning the treatment program, the licensee shall:

a. Either equip the unit with stops or add additional radiation shielding to ensure compliance with 641—40.26(136C);

b. Perform the survey required by 41.2(60) again; and

c. Include in the report required by 41.2(63) the results of the initial survey, a description of the modification made to comply with 41.2(62) “a,” and the results of the second survey; or

d. Request and receive a license amendment under 641—40.26(136C) that authorizes radiation levels in unrestricted areas greater than those permitted by 641—40.26(136C).

**41.2(63) Reports of teletherapy surveys, checks, tests, and measurements.** A licensee shall furnish a copy of the records required in 41.2(60), 41.2(61), and 41.2(62) and the output from the teletherapy source expressed as rems (sieverts) per hour at 1 meter from the source as determined during the full calibration required in 41.2(58) to the agency within 30 days following completion of the action that initiated the record requirement.

**41.2(64) Five-year inspection.**

a. A licensee shall have each teletherapy unit and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit fully inspected and serviced during teletherapy source replacement or at intervals not to exceed five years, whichever comes first, to ensure proper functioning of the source exposure mechanism.

b. This inspection and servicing shall be performed only by persons specifically licensed to do so by the agency, an agreement state, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

c. A licensee shall maintain a record of the inspection and servicing for the duration of the license. The record shall contain the inspector’s name, the inspector’s license number, the date of inspection, the manufacturer’s name and model number and serial number for both the teletherapy unit and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery unit and source, a list of components inspected, a list of components serviced and the type of service, a list of components replaced, and the signature of the inspector.

**41.2(65) Training for radiation safety officer.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an individual fulfilling the responsibilities of the radiation safety officer as provided in 41.2(8) to be an individual who:

a. Is certified by a specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by this agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(65) “d” and “e.” (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall:

(1) Require all candidates for certification to:

1. Hold a bachelor’s or graduate degree from an accredited college or university in physical science or engineering or biological science with a minimum of 20 college credits in physical science;

2. Have five or more years of professional experience in health physics (graduate training may be substituted for no more than two years of the required experience) including at least three years in applied health physics; and

3. Pass an examination administered by diplomats of the specialty board, which evaluates knowledge and competence in radiation physics and instrumentation, radiation protection, mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity, radiation biology, and radiation dosimetry; or

(2) Require all candidates for certification to:

1. Hold a master's or doctor's degree in physics, medical physics, other physical science, engineering, or applied mathematics from an accredited college or university;

2. Have two years of either full-time practical training or supervised experience in medical physics either under the supervision of a medical physicist who is certified in medical physics by a specialty board recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state, or in clinical nuclear medicine facilities providing either diagnostic or therapeutic services under the direction of physicians who meet the requirements for authorized users in 41.2(68) or 41.2(69); and

3. Pass an examination administered by diplomats of the specialty board that assesses knowledge and competence in clinical diagnostic radiological or nuclear medicine physics and in radiation safety; or

b. Has completed a structured educational program consisting of both:

(1) 200 hours of classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;

2. Radiation protection;

3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;

4. Radiation biology; and

5. Radiation dosimetry; and

(2) One year of full-time radiation safety experience under the supervision of the individual identified as the radiation safety officer on an agency, NRC, or agreement state license or permit issued by the NRC master material licensee that authorizes similar types of use of radioactive material involving the following:

1. Shipping, receiving, and performing related radiation surveys;

2. Using and performing checks for proper operation of instruments used to determine the activity of dosages, survey meters, and instruments used to measure radionuclides;

3. Securing and controlling radioactive material;

4. Using administrative controls to avoid mistakes in the administration of radioactive material;

5. Using procedures to prevent or minimize radioactive contamination and using proper decontamination procedures;

6. Using emergency procedures to control radioactive material; and

7. Disposing of radioactive material; or

c. (1) Is a medical physicist who has been certified by a specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state under 41.2(74) and has experience in radiation safety for similar types of use of radioactive material for which the licensee is seeking the approval of the individual as a radiation safety officer and who meets the requirements in 41.2(65) "d" and "e"; or

(2) Is an authorized user, authorized medical physicist, or authorized nuclear pharmacist identified on the licensee's license and has experience with the radiation safety aspects of similar types of use of radioactive material for which the individual has radiation safety officer responsibilities; and

d. Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor radiation safety officer, that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(65) "e" and 41.2(65) "a"(1) "1" and "2" or 41.2(65) "a"(2) "1" and "2" or 41.2(65) "b"(1) or 41.2(65) "c"(1), and has achieved a level of radiation safety knowledge sufficient to function independently as a radiation safety officer for a medical use licensee; and

e. Has training in the radiation safety, regulatory issues, and emergency procedures for the types of use for which the licensee is seeking approval. This training requirement may be satisfied by completing training that is supervised by a radiation safety officer, authorized medical physicist, authorized nuclear pharmacist, or authorized user, as appropriate, who is authorized for the type of use for which the licensee is seeking approval.

**41.2(66)** *Training for experienced radiation safety officer.* Rescinded IAB 3/29/06, effective 5/3/06.

**41.2(67)** *Training for uptake, dilution, and excretion studies.* Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user of unsealed radioactive material for the uses authorized under 41.2(31) to be a physician who:

a. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(67)“c.” (The names of specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Complete 60 hours of training and experience in basic radionuclide handling techniques and radiation safety applicable to the medical use of unsealed radioactive material for uptake, dilution, and excretion studies, which include the topics listed in 41.2(67)“c”(1)“1” and “2”; and

(2) Pass an examination administered by diplomats of the specialty board that assesses knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, and quality control; or

b. Is an authorized user under 41.2(68) or 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.190, 35.290, or 35.390, or meets equivalent agreement state requirements; or

c. (1) Has completed 60 hours of training and experience, including a minimum of 8 hours of classroom and laboratory training, in basic radionuclide handling techniques applicable to the medical use of unsealed radioactive material for uptake, dilution, and excretion studies. The training and experience must include:

1. Classroom and laboratory training in radiation physics and instrumentation; radiation protection; mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity, chemistry of radioactive material for medical use, and radiation biology; and

2. Work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(67), 41.2(68), or 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, the requirements in 10 CFR 35.190, 35.290, or 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements, involving:

- Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;

- Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;

- Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;

- Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of unsealed radioactive material;

- Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely and using proper decontamination procedures;

- Administering dosages of radioactive drugs to patients or human research subjects; and

(2) Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(67), 41.2(68), or 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, the requirements in 10 CFR 35.190, 35.290, or 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements, that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(67)“a”(1) or 41.2(67)“c”(1) and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for the medical uses authorized in 41.2(31).

**41.2(68) Training for imaging and localization studies.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require the authorized user of unsealed radioactive material specified in 41.2(33) to be a physician who:

a. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(68)“c.” (The names of specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Complete 700 hours of training and experience in basic radionuclide handling techniques and radiation safety applicable to the medical use of unsealed radioactive material for imaging and localization studies that include the topics listed in 41.2(68)“c”(1)“1” and “2”; and

(2) Pass an examination administered by diplomats of the specialty board, which assesses knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, and quality control; or

b. Is an authorized user under 41.2(69) and meets the requirements in 41.2(68) "c"(1)"2," seventh bulleted paragraph, or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.290, or equivalent agreement state requirements; or

c. (1) Has completed 700 hours of training and experience, including a minimum of 80 hours of classroom and laboratory training, in basic radionuclide handling techniques applicable to the medical use of unsealed radioactive material for imaging and localization studies. The training and experience must include, at a minimum:

1. Classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:

- Radiation physics and instrumentation;
- Radiation protection;
- Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;
- Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use;
- Radiation biology, and

2. Work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(68) or 41.2(68) "c"(1)"2," seventh bulleted paragraph, and 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.290, or equivalent agreement state requirements, involving:

- Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;
- Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;
- Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;
- Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of unsealed radioactive material;
- Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely and using proper decontamination procedures;
- Administering dosages of radioactive drugs to patients or human research subjects; and
- Eluting generator systems appropriate for preparation of radioactive drugs for imaging and localization studies, measuring and testing the eluate for radionuclidic purity, and processing the eluate with reagent kits to prepare labeled radioactive drugs; and

(2) Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(68) or 41.2(69) and 41.2(68) "c"(1)"2," seventh bulleted paragraph, or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.290, or equivalent agreement state requirements, that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(68) "a"(1) or 41.2(68) "c"(1) and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for the medical uses authorized under 41.2(31) and 41.2(33).

**41.2(69) Training for use of unsealed by-product material for which a written directive is required.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user of unsealed radioactive material for the uses authorized under 41.2(37) to be a physician who:

a. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "b"(1)"2," seventh bulleted paragraph, and 41.2(69) "b"(2). (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC's Web page.) To be recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Successfully complete residency training in a radiation therapy or nuclear medicine training program or a program in a related medical specialty. These residency training programs must include 700 hours of training and experience as described in 41.2(69) "b"(1)"1" through 41.2(69) "b"(1)"2," fifth bulleted paragraph. Eligible training programs must be approved by the Residency Review Committee of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the Committee on Post-Graduate Training of the American Osteopathic Association; and

(2) Pass an examination, administered by diplomats of the specialty board, which tests knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, quality assurance, and clinical use of unsealed radioactive material for which a written directive is required; or

*b.* (1) Has completed 700 hours of training and experience, including a minimum of 200 hours of classroom and laboratory training, in basic radionuclide handling techniques applicable to the medical use of unsealed radioactive material requiring a written directive. The training and experience must include:

1. Classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:

- Radiation physics and instrumentation;
- Radiation protection;
- Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;
- Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use; and
- Radiation biology; and

2. Work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A supervising authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "b," or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390(b) must also have experience in administering dosages in the same dosage category or categories (i.e., 41.2(69) "b"(1) "2," seventh bulleted paragraph) as the individual requesting authorized user status. The work experience must involve:

- Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;

- Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;

- Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;

- Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of unsealed radioactive material;

- Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely and using proper decontamination procedures;

- Reserved.

- Administering dosages of radioactive drugs to patients or human research subjects involving a minimum of three cases in each of the following categories for which the individual is requesting authorized user status:

- Oral administration of less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131, for which a written directive is required;

- Oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131 (experience with at least three cases in this category also satisfies the requirement in the above category);

- Parenteral administration of either any beta emitter or a photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV for which a written directive is required; or

- Parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required; and

(2) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(69) "a"(1) and 41.2(69) "b"(1) "2," seventh bulleted paragraph, or 41.2(69) "b"(1), and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for the medical uses authorized under 41.2(37). The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements. The preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "b," or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390(b), must have experience in administering dosages in the same dosage category or categories (i.e., 41.2(69) "b"(1) "2," seventh bulleted paragraph) as the individual requesting authorized user status.

*c.* For training only for oral administration of sodium iodide I-131 requiring a written directive in quantities less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) or quantities greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels), see 41.2(81) or 41.2(82).

**41.2(70) Training for use of manual brachytherapy sources.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user of a manual brachytherapy source for the uses authorized in 41.2(43) to be a physician who:

*a.* Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state, and who meets the requirements in 41.2(70) “*b*”(3). (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Successfully complete a minimum of three years of residency training in a radiation oncology program approved by the Residency Review Committee of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the Committee on Post-Graduate Training of the American Osteopathic Association; and

(2) Pass an examination, administered by diplomats of the specialty board, that tests knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, treatment planning, quality assurance, and clinical use of manual brachytherapy; or

*b.* (1) Has completed a structured educational program in basic radionuclide handling techniques applicable to the use of manual brachytherapy sources that includes:

1. 200 hours of classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:

- Radiation physics and instrumentation;
- Radiation protection;
- Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity; and
- Radiation biology; and

2. 500 hours of work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(70), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490, or equivalent agreement state requirements at a medical institution, involving:

• Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;

- Checking survey meters for proper operation;
- Preparing, implanting, and removing brachytherapy sources;
- Maintaining running inventories of material on hand;
- Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of radioactive material; and

• Using emergency procedures to control radioactive material; and

(2) Has completed three years of supervised clinical experience in radiation oncology under an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(70), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490, or equivalent agreement state requirements, as part of a formal training program approved by the Residency Review Committee for Radiation Oncology of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the Committee on Postdoctoral Training of the American Osteopathic Association. This experience may be obtained concurrently with the supervised work experience required in 41.2(70) “*b*”(1)“2”; and

(3) Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(70), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490, or equivalent agreement state requirements, that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(70) “*a*”(1) or 41.2(70) “*b*”(1) and (2), and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user of manual brachytherapy sources for the medical uses in 41.2(43).

**41.2(71) Training for ophthalmic use of strontium-90.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require the authorized user of strontium-90 for ophthalmic radiotherapy to be a physician who:

*a.* Is an authorized user under 41.2(70), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490 or 35.491, or equivalent agreement state requirements; or

*b.* (1) Has completed 24 hours of classroom and laboratory training applicable to the medical use of strontium-90 for ophthalmic radiotherapy. The training must include:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;

2. Radiation protection;
  3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity; and
  4. Radiation biology; and
- (2) Has completed supervised clinical training in ophthalmic radiotherapy under the supervision of an authorized user at a medical institution, clinic, or private practice that includes the use of strontium-90 for the ophthalmic treatment of five individuals. This supervised clinical training must involve:
1. Examination of each individual to be treated;
  2. Calculation of the dose to be administered;
  3. Administration of the dose; and
  4. Follow-up and review of each individual's case history; and
- (3) Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(70) or 41.2(71), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490 or 35.491, or equivalent agreement state requirements, that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(71) "a" and "b" and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user of strontium-90 for ophthalmic use.

**41.2(72) Training for use of sealed sources for diagnosis.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require the authorized user of a diagnostic sealed source for use in a device authorized under 41.2(41) to be a physician, dentist, or podiatrist who:

a. Is certified by a specialty board whose certification process includes all of the requirements in 41.2(72) "b" and "c" and whose certification has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state. (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC's Web page.); or

b. Has completed eight hours of classroom and laboratory training in basic radionuclide handling techniques specifically applicable to the use of the device. The training must include:

- (1) Radiation physics and instrumentation;
  - (2) Radiation protection;
  - (3) Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity; and
  - (4) Radiation biology; and
- c. Has completed training in the use of the device for the uses requested.

**41.2(73) Training for use of remote afterloader units, teletherapy units, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user of a sealed source for use authorized in 41.2(49) to be a physician who:

a. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state, and who meets the requirements in 41.2(73) "b"(3) and 41.2(73) "c." (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC's Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Successfully complete a minimum of three years of residency training in a radiation therapy program approved by the Residency Review Committee of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the Committee on Post-Graduate Training of the American Osteopathic Association; and

(2) Pass an examination, administered by diplomats of the specialty board, which tests knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, treatment planning, quality assurance, and clinical use of stereotactic radiosurgery, remote afterloaders, and external beam therapy; or

b. (1) Has completed a structured educational program in basic radionuclide techniques applicable to the use of a sealed source in a therapeutic medical unit that includes:

1. 200 hours of classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:
  - Radiation physics and instrumentation;
  - Radiation protection;
  - Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity; and
  - Radiation biology; and

2. 500 hours of work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(73), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.690, or equivalent agreement state requirements at a medical institution, involving:

- Reviewing full calibration measurements and periodic spot checks;
- Preparing treatment plans and calculating treatment doses and times;
- Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of radioactive material;
- Implementing emergency procedures to be followed in the event of the abnormal operation of the medical unit or console;
- Checking and using survey meters; and
- Selecting the proper dose and how it is to be administered; and

(2) Has completed three years of supervised clinical experience in radiation therapy under an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(73), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.690, or equivalent agreement state requirements, as part of a formal training program approved by the Residency Review Committee for Radiation Oncology of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the Committee on Postdoctoral Training of the American Osteopathic Association. This experience may be obtained concurrently with the supervised work experience required by 41.2(73) "b"(1)"2"; and

(3) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(73) "a"(1) or 41.2(73) "b"(1) and (2), and 41.2(73) "c," and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user of each type of therapeutic medical unit for which the individual is requesting authorized user status. The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(73), or before May 3, 2006, the requirements in 10 CFR 35.690, or equivalent agreement state requirements for an authorized user for each type of therapeutic medical unit for which the individual is requesting authorized user status; and

c. Has received training in device operation, safety procedures, and clinical use for the type of use for which authorization is sought. This training requirement may be satisfied by satisfactory completion of a training program provided by the vendor for new users or by receiving training supervised by an authorized user or authorized medical physicist, as appropriate, who is authorized for the type of use for which the individual is seeking authorization.

**41.2(74) Training for an authorized medical physicist.** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require the authorized medical physicist to be an individual who:

a. Is certified by a specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(74) "b"(2) and 41.2(74) "c." (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC's Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

- (1) Hold a master's or doctor's degree in physics, medical physics, other physical science, engineering, or applied mathematics from an accredited college or university;
- (2) Have two years of either full-time practical training or supervised experience in medical physics:

1. Under the supervision of a medical physicist who is certified in medical physics by a specialty board recognized by the agency, NRC, or an agreement state; or

2. In clinical radiation facilities providing high-energy, external beam therapy (photons and electrons with energies greater than or equal to 1 million electron volts) and brachytherapy services under the direction of physicians who meet the requirements for authorized users in 41.2(70) or 41.2(73); and

- (3) Pass an examination, administered by diplomats of the specialty board, that assesses knowledge and competence in clinical radiation therapy, radiation safety, calibration, quality assurance, and treatment planning for external beam therapy, brachytherapy, and stereotactic radiosurgery; or



b. (1) Holds a master's or doctor's degree in physics, medical physics, other physical science, engineering, or applied mathematics from an accredited college or university; and has completed one year of full-time training in medical physics and an additional year of full-time work experience under the supervision of an individual who meets the requirements for an authorized medical physicist for the type of use for which the individual is seeking authorization. This training and work experience must be conducted in clinical radiation facilities that provide high-energy, external beam therapy (photons and electrons with energies greater than or equal to 1 million electron volts) and brachytherapy services and must include:

1. Performing sealed source leak tests and inventories;
2. Performing decay corrections;
3. Performing full calibration and periodic spot checks of external beam treatment units, stereotactic radiosurgery units, and remote afterloading units, as applicable; and
4. Conducting radiation surveys around external beam treatment units, stereotactic radiosurgery units, and remote afterloading units, as applicable; and

(2) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(74) "a"(1) and (2) and 41.2(74) "c" or 41.2(74) "b"(1) and 41.2(74) "c," and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized medical physicist for each type of therapeutic medical unit for which the individual is requesting authorized medical physicist status. The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized medical physicist who meets the requirements in 41.2(74), or before May 3, 2006, the requirements in 10 CFR 35.51, or equivalent agreement state requirements for an authorized medical physicist for each type of therapeutic medical unit for which the individual is requesting authorized medical physicist status; and

c. Has training for the type of use for which authorization is sought that includes hands-on device operation, safety procedures, clinical use, and the operation of a treatment planning system. This training requirement may be satisfied by satisfactorily completing either a training program provided by the vendor or by training supervised by an authorized medical physicist who is authorized for the type of use for which the individual is seeking authorization.

**41.2(75) Training for experienced radiation safety officer, authorized medical physicist, nuclear pharmacist, authorized nuclear pharmacist, authorized users and teletherapy or medical physicists.**

a. (1) An individual identified as a radiation safety officer, teletherapy or medical physicist, or nuclear pharmacist on an agency, NRC or agreement state license or a permit issued by an NRC or agreement state broad scope licensee or master material license permit or by a master material license permittee of broad scope before January 1, 2003, does not need to comply with the training requirements of 41.2(65), 41.2(74), or 41.2(78).

(2) An individual identified as a radiation safety officer, an authorized medical physicist, or an authorized nuclear pharmacist on the agency, NRC, or agreement state license or permit issued by the agency, NRC, or agreement state broad scope licensee or issued by master material license permit or issued by a master material license permittee of broad scope between January 1, 2003, and May 3, 2006, need not comply with the training requirements of 41.2(65), 41.2(74), or 41.2(78).

b. (1) Physicians, dentists, or podiatrists identified as authorized users for the medical use of radioactive material on a license issued by the agency, the NRC, or agreement state, a permit issued by an NRC master material licensee, a permit issued by an NRC broad scope licensee, or a permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope permittee before January 1, 2003, who perform only those medical uses for which they were authorized before that date need not comply with the training requirements of 41.2(67), 41.2(68), 41.2(69), 41.2(70), 41.2(71), 41.2(72), 41.2(73), 41.2(81), 41.2(82), or 41.2(89).

(2) Physicians, dentists, or podiatrists identified as authorized users for the medical use of radioactive material issued by the agency, the NRC, or agreement state, a permit issued by an NRC master material licensee, a permit issued by an NRC broad scope licensee, or a permit issued by an NRC master material license broad scope permittee who perform only those medical uses for which they were authorized between January 1, 2003, and May 3, 2006, need not comply with the training requirements of 41.2(67), 41.2(68), 41.2(69), 41.2(70), 41.2(71), 41.2(72), 41.2(73), 41.2(81), 41.2(82), or 41.2(89).

**41.2(76)** *Physician training in a three-month program.* Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

**41.2(77)** *Recentness of training.* The training and experience specified in 41.2(65) to 41.2(78) and 41.2(81), 41.2(82), and 41.2(89) shall have been obtained within the seven years preceding the date of application or the individual shall have had related continuing education and continuing applicable experience since the required training and experience were completed.

**41.2(78)** *Training for an authorized nuclear pharmacist.* Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require the authorized nuclear pharmacist to be a pharmacist who:

*a.* Is certified as a nuclear pharmacist by a specialty board whose certification process includes all of the requirements of 41.2(78) “*b.*” (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.) To have its certification process recognized, a specialty board shall require all candidates for certification to:

(1) Have graduated from a pharmacy program accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) or have passed the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee (FPGEC) examination;

(2) Hold a current, active license to practice pharmacy;

(3) Provide evidence of having acquired at least 4,000 hours of combined training and experience in nuclear pharmacy practice. Academic training may be substituted for no more than 2,000 hours of the required training and experience; and

(4) Pass an examination in nuclear pharmacy administered by diplomats of the specialty board that assesses knowledge and competency in procurement, compounding, quality assurance, dispensing, distribution, health and safety, radiation safety, provision of information and consultation, monitoring patient outcomes, research and development; or

*b.* Has completed 700 hours in a structured education program consisting of both:

(1) 200 hours of classroom and laboratory training in the following areas:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;

2. Radiation protection;

3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;

4. Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use; and

5. Radiation biology; and

(2) Supervised practical experience in a nuclear pharmacy involving:

1. Shipping, receiving, and performing related radiation surveys;

2. Using and performing checks for proper operation of instruments used to determine the activity of dosages, survey meters and, if appropriate, instruments used to measure alpha- or beta-emitting radionuclides;

3. Calculating, assaying, and safely preparing dosages for patients or human research subjects;

4. Using administrative controls to avoid medical events in the administration of by-product material; and

5. Using procedures to prevent or minimize radioactive contamination and using proper decontamination procedures; and

*c.* Has obtained written attestation, signed by a preceptor authorized nuclear pharmacist, that the individual satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(78) “*a*”(1), (2), and (3), or 41.2(78) “*b*”(1) and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized nuclear pharmacist.

**41.2(79)** *Training for experienced nuclear pharmacists.* Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

**41.2(80)** *Training for nuclear medicine technologists.* Rescinded IAB 4/2/03, effective 5/7/03.

**41.2(81)** *Training for the oral administration of sodium iodide I-131 requiring a written directive in quantities less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels).* Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user for the oral administration of sodium iodide I-131 requiring a written directive in quantities less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) to be a physician who:

*a.* Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process includes all of the requirements in 41.2(81) “*c*”(1) and (2) and whose certification process has been recognized by the

agency, NRC, or an agreement state and who meets the requirements in 41.2(81)“c”(3). (The names of the specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC’s Web page.); or

b. Is an authorized user under 41.2(69)“a” or “b” for uses in the oral administration of less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131 for which a written directive is required, or oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131, or before May 3, 2006, who meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, 35.392, or 35.394, or meets equivalent agreement state requirements; or

c. (1) Has successfully completed 80 hours of classroom and laboratory training, applicable to the medical use of sodium iodide I-131 for procedures requiring a written directive. The training must include:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;
2. Radiation protection;
3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;
4. Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use; and
5. Radiation biology; and

(2) Has work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69)“a” or “b,” or 41.2(82), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, 35.392, or 35.394, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A supervising authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69)“b” must also have experience in administering dosages as follows: oral administration of less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131, for which a written directive is required; or oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131. The work experience must involve:

1. Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;
2. Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;
3. Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;
4. Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of radioactive material;
5. Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely and using proper decontamination procedures; and
6. Administering dosages to patients or human research subjects that include at least three cases involving the oral administration of less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131; and

(3) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(81)“c”(1) and (2), and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for medical uses authorized under 41.2(37). The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69), 41.2(81), or 41.2(82), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, 35.392, or 35.394, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69)“b” must also have experience in administering dosages as follows: oral administration of less than or equal to 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131, for which a written directive is required; or oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131.

**41.2(82) Training for the oral administration of sodium iodide I-131 requiring a written directive in quantities greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels).** Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user for the oral administration of sodium iodide I-131 requiring a written directive in quantities greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) to be a physician who:

a. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process includes all of the requirements in 41.2(82)“c”(1) and (2), and whose certification has been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state, and who meets the requirements in 41.2(82)“c”(3). (The names of the

specialty boards that have been recognized by the agency, NRC, or agreement state must be posted on the NRC's Web page.); or

b. Is an authorized user under 41.2(69) "a" or "b" for oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131, or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390 or 35.394, or meets equivalent agreement state requirements; or

c. (1) Has successfully completed 80 hours of classroom and laboratory training, applicable to the medical use of sodium iodide I-131 for procedures requiring a written directive. The training must include:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;
2. Radiation protection;
3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;
4. Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use; and
5. Radiation biology; and

(2) Has work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "a" or "b," or 41.2(82), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390 or 35.394, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A supervising authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "b" must also have experience in oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131. The work experience must involve:

1. Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely and performing the related radiation surveys;
2. Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;
3. Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;
4. Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of radioactive material;
5. Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely and using proper decontamination procedures; and
6. Administering dosages to patients or human research subjects that include at least three cases involving the oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131; and

(3) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(82) "c"(1) and (2), and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for medical uses authorized in 41.2(37). The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) or 41.2(82), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390 or 35.394, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) "b" must also have experience in oral administration of greater than 33 millicuries (1.22 Gigabecquerels) of sodium iodide I-131.

**41.2(83) Provisions for the protection of human research subjects.**

a. A licensee may conduct research involving human research subjects only if the licensee uses the radioactive materials authorized on its specific license for the uses authorized on its license.

b. If the research is conducted, funded, supported, or regulated by another federal agency that has implemented Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects (Federal Policy), the licensee shall, before conducting research:

- (1) Obtain review and approval of the research from an "Institutional Review Board," as defined and described in the Federal Policy; and
- (2) Obtain "informed consent," as defined and described in the Federal Policy, from the human research subjects.

c. If the research will not be conducted, funded, supported, or regulated by another federal agency that has implemented the Federal Policy, the licensee shall, before conducting research, apply for and receive a specific amendment to its medical use license. The amendment request must include a written commitment that the licensee will, before conducting research:

(1) Obtain review and approval of the research from an "Institutional Review Board," as defined and described in the Federal Policy; and

(2) Obtain "informed consent," as defined and described in the Federal Policy, from the human research subjects.

*d.* Nothing in this subrule relieves a licensee from complying with the other requirements of these rules.

**41.2(84)** *Calibration measurements of brachytherapy sources.*

*a.* Before the first medical use of a brachytherapy source on or after January 1, 2003, a licensee shall have:

(1) Determined the source output or activity using a dosimetry system that meets the requirements of 41.2(57);

(2) Determined the source positioning accuracy within applicators; and

(3) Used published protocols currently accepted by nationally recognized bodies to meet the requirements of 41.2(84) "a."

*b.* A licensee may use measurements that are provided by the source manufacturer or by a calibration laboratory accredited by the American Association of Physicists in Medicine and that are made in accordance with 41.2(84) "a"(1) and (2).

*c.* A licensee shall mathematically correct the outputs or activities determined in 41.2(84) "a" for physical decay at intervals consistent with 1 percent physical decay.

*d.* A licensee shall retain a record of each calibration for three years after the last use of the source. The record must include:

(1) The date of the calibration;

(2) The manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number for the source and the instruments used to calibrate the source;

(3) The source output or activity;

(4) The source positioning accuracy within the applicators; and

(5) The signature of the authorized medical physicist.

**41.2(85)** *Decay of strontium-90 sources for ophthalmic treatment.*

*a.* Only an authorized medical physicist shall calculate the activity of each strontium-90 source that is used to determine the treatment times for ophthalmic treatments. The decay must be based on the activity determined under 41.2(84).

*b.* A licensee shall retain a record of the activity of each strontium-90 source in accordance with 41.2(84).

**41.2(86)** *Therapy-related computer systems.* The licensee shall perform acceptance testing on the treatment planning system of therapy-related computer systems in accordance with published protocols accepted by nationally recognized bodies. At a minimum, the acceptance must include, as applicable, verification of:

*a.* The source-specific input parameters required by the dose calculation algorithm;

*b.* The accuracy of dose, dwell time, and treatment time calculations at representative points;

*c.* The accuracy of isodose plots and graphic displays;

*d.* The accuracy of the software used to determine sealed source positions from radiographic images; and

*e.* The accuracy of electronic transfer of the treatment delivery parameters to the treatment delivery unit from the treatment planning system.

**41.2(87)** *Written directives.* Each licensee or registrant shall meet the following objectives:

*a.* Prior to administration, a written directive must contain the patient's or human research subject's name and the following information:

(1) For any administration of quantities greater than 30 microcuries of either sodium iodide I-125 or I-131: the dosage;

(2) For a therapeutic administration of a radiopharmaceutical other than sodium iodide I-125 or I-131: the radiopharmaceutical, dosage, and route of administration;

- (3) For gamma stereotactic radiosurgery: target coordinates, collimator size, plug pattern, and total dose;
- (4) For teletherapy: the total dose, dose per fraction, number of fractions, treatment site, and overall treatment period;
- (5) For high-dose-rate remote afterloading brachytherapy: the radioisotope, treatment site, and total dose; or
- (6) For all other brachytherapy, including low-, medium-, and pulsed-dose-rate remote afterloaders:
  1. Prior to implantation: treatment site, the radioisotope, number of sources, and source strengths; and
  2. After implantation but prior to completion of the procedure: the radioisotope, treatment site, number of sources, and total source strength and exposure time (or, equivalently, the total dose);
- (7) For therapeutic use of radiation machines, see 41.3(14);
  - b. Prior to each administration, the patient's or human research subject's identity is verified by more than one method as the individual named in the written directive;
  - c. The final plans of treatment and related calculations for brachytherapy, teletherapy, and gamma stereotactic radiosurgery are in accordance with the respective written directives;
  - d. Each administration is in accordance with the written directive through checking both manual and computer-generated dose calculations and verifying that any computer-generated dose calculations are correctly transferred into the consoles of the medical units authorized by 641—Chapter 41;
  - e. Any unintended deviation from the written directive is identified and evaluated, and appropriate action is taken;
  - f. If, because of the emergent nature of the patient's or human research subject's condition, a delay in order to provide a written directive jeopardizes the patient's or human research subject's health, an oral directive is acceptable. The information contained in the oral directive must be documented as soon as possible in writing in the patient's or human research subject's record. A written directive must be prepared within 48 hours of the oral directive; and
  - g. A copy of the written directive in auditable form shall be retained for three years after the date of administration.
  - h. A written revision to an existing written directive may be made if the revision is dated and signed by an authorized user before the administration of the dosage of unsealed by-product material, the brachytherapy dose, the gamma stereotactic radiosurgery dose, the teletherapy dose, or the next fractional dose.

**41.2(88)** *Other medical uses of by-product material or radiation from by-product material.* A licensee may use by-product material or a radiation source approved for medical use which is not specifically addressed in 641—41.2(136C)(e.g., Y-90 microspheres, liquid brachytherapy, intravascular brachytherapy) if:

- a. The applicant or licensee has submitted the information required by the agency; and
- b. The applicant or licensee has received written approval from the agency in a license or license amendment and uses the material in accordance with the regulations and specific conditions the agency considers necessary for the medical use of the material.

**41.2(89)** *Training for the parenteral administration of unsealed by-product material requiring a written directive.* Except as provided in 41.2(75), the licensee shall require an authorized user for the parenteral administration requiring a written directive to be a physician who:

- a. Is an authorized user under 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, for uses listed in 41.2(89), or meets equivalent agreement state requirements; or
- b. Is an authorized user under 41.2(70) or 41.2(73), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490 or 35.690, or meets equivalent agreement state requirements, and who meets the requirements in 41.2(89)“d”;
- or
- c. Is certified by a medical specialty board whose certification process has been recognized by the NRC or an agreement state under 41.2(70) or 41.2(73), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.490 or 35.690, and who meets the requirements in 41.2(89)“d”;

*d.* (1) Has successfully completed 80 hours of classroom and laboratory training, applicable to parenteral administrations, for which a written directive is required, of either any beta emitter or any photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV or parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required. The training must include:

1. Radiation physics and instrumentation;
2. Radiation protection;
3. Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of radioactivity;
4. Chemistry of radioactive material for medical use; and
5. Radiation biology; and

(2) Has work experience, under the supervision of an authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) or 41.2(89), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements, in the parenteral administration for which a written directive is required, of either any beta emitter or any photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV or parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required. A supervising authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390 must have experience in administering dosages of either any beta emitter or any photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV or parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required. The work experience must involve:

1. Ordering, receiving, and unpacking radioactive materials safely, and performing the related radiation surveys;
2. Performing quality control procedures on instruments used to determine the activity of dosages, and performing checks for proper operation of survey meters;
3. Calculating, measuring, and safely preparing patient or human research subject dosages;
4. Using administrative controls to prevent a medical event involving the use of unsealed radioactive material;
5. Using procedures to contain spilled radioactive material safely, and using proper decontamination procedures; and
6. Administering dosages to patients or human research subjects, that include at least three cases involving the parenteral administration for which a written directive is required, of either any beta emitter or any photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV or at least three cases involving the parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required; and

(3) Has obtained written attestation that the individual has satisfactorily completed the requirements in 41.2(89)“*b*” or “*c*,” and has achieved a level of competency sufficient to function independently as an authorized user for the parenteral administration of unsealed by-product material requiring a written directive. The written attestation must be signed by a preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69) or 41.2(89), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, or equivalent agreement state requirements. A preceptor authorized user who meets the requirements in 41.2(69), or before May 3, 2006, meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.390, must have experience in administering dosages of either any beta emitter or any photon-emitting radionuclide with a photon energy less than 150 keV or at least three cases involving the parenteral administration of any other radionuclide for which a written directive is required.

#### **641—41.3(136C) Therapeutic use of radiation machines.**

##### **41.3(1) Scope and applicability.**

*a.* This subrule establishes requirements, for which the registrant is responsible, for use of therapeutic radiation machines.

*b.* The use of therapeutic radiation machines shall be by, or under the supervision of, a physician who meets the training/experience criteria established by 41.3(5).

*c.* Unless specifically required otherwise by 641—41.3(136C), all registrants are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapters 38 to 40.

**41.3(2) Definitions.** In addition to the definitions provided in 641—38.2(136C) and 641—40.2(136C), the following definitions are specific to 641—41.3(136C).

“*Accessible surface*” means surface of equipment or of an equipment part that can be easily or accidentally touched by persons without the use of a tool.

“*Added filtration*” means any filtration which is in addition to the inherent filtration.

“*Beam-limiting device*” means a field defining collimator, integral to the therapeutic radiation machine, which provides a means to restrict the dimensions of the useful beam.

“*Beam-scattering foil*” means a thin piece of material (usually metallic) placed in the beam to scatter a beam of electrons in order to provide a more uniform electron distribution in the useful beam.

“*Bent beam linear accelerator*” means a linear accelerator geometry in which the accelerated electron beam must change direction by passing through a bending magnet.

“*Contact therapy system*” means a therapeutic radiation machine with a short target-to-skin distance (TSD), usually less than 5 centimeters.

“*Dose monitor unit (DMU)*” means a unit response from the beam monitoring system from which the absorbed dose can be calculated.

“*External beam radiation therapy*” means therapeutic irradiation in which the source of radiation is at a distance from the body.

“*Field flattening filter*” means a filter used to homogenize the absorbed dose rate over the radiation field.

“*Filter*” means material placed in the useful beam to change beam quality or its intensity profile in therapeutic radiation machines.

“*Gantry*” means that part of a radiation therapy system supporting and allowing movements of the radiation head around a center of rotation.

“*Interruption of irradiation*” means the stopping of irradiation with the possibility of continuing irradiation without resetting of operating conditions at the control panel.

“*Isocenter*” means the center of the sphere through which the useful beam axis passes while the gantry moves through its full range of motions.

“*Megavolt (MV) (mega electron volt (MeV))*” means the energy equal to that acquired by a particle with one electron charge in passing through a potential difference of 1 million volts in a vacuum. (Note: Current convention is to use MV for photons and MeV for electrons.)

“*Monitor unit (MU)*.” See “Dose monitor unit.”

“*Moving beam radiation therapy*” means radiation therapy with continuous displacement of one or more mechanical axes relative to the patient during irradiation. It includes arc therapy, skip therapy, conformal therapy, intensity modulation, and rotational therapy.

“*Nominal treatment distance*” means:

1. For electron irradiation, the distance from the scattering foil, virtual source, or exit window of the electron beam to the entrance surface of the irradiated object along the central axis of the useful beam.

2. For X-ray irradiation, the virtual source or target to isocenter distance along the central axis of the useful beam. For nonisocentric equipment, this distance shall be that specified by the manufacturer.

“*Periodic quality assurance check*” means a procedure which is performed to ensure that a previous calibration continues to be valid.

“*Practical range of electrons*” corresponds to classical electron range where the only remaining contribution to dose is from bremsstrahlung X-rays. A further explanation may be found in “Clinical Electron Beam Dosimetry: Report of AAPM Radiation Therapy Committee Task Group 25” (Medical Physics 18(1): 73-109, Jan/Feb 1991) and ICRU Report 35, “Radiation Dosimetry: Electron Beams with Energies Between 1 and 50 MeV,” International Agency on Radiation Units and Measurements, September 15, 1984.

“*Radiation field*.” See “Useful beam.”

“*Radiation head*” means the structure from which the useful beam emerges.

“*Radiation therapy physicist*” means an individual qualified in accordance with 41.3(6).



“*Redundant beam monitoring system*” means a combination of two dose monitoring systems in which each system is designed to terminate irradiation in accordance with a preselected number of dose monitor units.

“*Shadow tray*” means a device attached to the radiation head to support auxiliary beam blocking material.

“*Stationary beam radiation therapy*” means radiation therapy without displacement of one or more mechanical axes relative to the patient during irradiation.

“*Target*” means that part of an X-ray tube or accelerator onto which is directed a beam of accelerated particles to produce ionizing radiation or other particles.

“*Tenth-value layer (TVL)*” means the thickness of a specified material which attenuates X-radiation or gamma radiation to an extent such that the air kerma rate, exposure rate or absorbed dose rate is reduced to one-tenth of the value measured without the material at the same point.

“*Therapeutic radiation machine*” means X-ray or electron-producing equipment designed and used for external beam radiation therapy.

“*Virtual source*” means a point from which radiation appears to originate.

**41.3(3)** Registration or license requirements. No person shall receive, possess, use, transfer, own, or acquire therapeutic radiation machines except as authorized in a registration issued pursuant to 641—39.1(136C) to 39.4(136C).

**41.3(4)** General administrative requirements for facilities using therapeutic radiation machines.

*a.* Administrative controls. The registrant shall be responsible for directing the operation of the therapeutic radiation machines which have been registered with the agency. The registrant or the registrant’s agent shall ensure that the requirements of 41.3(136C) are met in the operation of the therapeutic radiation machine(s).

*b.* A therapeutic radiation machine which does not meet the provisions of these regulations shall not be used for irradiation of patients unless authorized by the agency.

**41.3(5)** Training for external beam radiation therapy authorized users. The registrant for any therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) or 41.3(18) shall require the authorized user to be a physician who:

*a.* Is certified in:

- (1) Radiology or therapeutic radiology by the American Board of Radiology; or
- (2) Radiation oncology by the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology; or
- (3) Radiology, with specialization in radiotherapy, as a British “Fellow of the Faculty of Radiology” or “Fellow of the Royal College of Radiology”; or
- (4) Therapeutic radiology by the Canadian Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons; or

*b.* Is in the active practice of therapeutic radiology, and has completed 200 hours of instruction in basic radiation techniques applicable to the use of an external beam radiation therapy unit, 500 hours of supervised work experience, and a minimum of three years of supervised clinical experience.

*c.* To satisfy the requirement for instruction in 41.3(5) “*b*” above, the classroom and laboratory training shall include:

- (1) Radiation physics and instrumentation;
- (2) Radiation protection;
- (3) Mathematics pertaining to the use and measurement of ionization radiation; and
- (4) Radiation biology.

*d.* To satisfy the requirement for supervised work experience in 41.3(4) “*b*” above, training shall be under the supervision of an authorized user and shall include:

- (1) Reviewing the full calibration measurements and periodic quality assurance checks;
- (2) Evaluating prepared treatment plans and calculation of treatment times/patient treatment settings;
- (3) Using administrative controls to prevent misadministrations;
- (4) Implementing emergency procedures to be followed in the event of the abnormal operation of an external beam radiation therapy unit or console; and
- (5) Checking and using radiation survey meters.

*e.* To satisfy the requirement for a period of supervised clinical experience, training shall include one year in a formal training program approved by the Residency Review Committee for Radiology of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Committee on Postdoctoral Training of the American Osteopathic Association and an additional two years of clinical experience in therapeutic radiology under the supervision of an authorized user. The supervised clinical experience shall include:

- (1) Examining individuals and reviewing their case histories to determine their suitability for external beam radiation therapy treatment, and any limitations/contraindications;
- (2) Selecting proper dose and how it is to be administered;
- (3) Calculating the external beam radiation therapy doses and collaborating with the authorized user in the review of patients' progress; consideration of the need to modify originally prescribed doses or treatment plans as warranted by patients' reaction to radiation; and
- (4) Postadministration follow-up and review of case histories.

*f.* Notwithstanding the requirements of 41.3(5) "b," the registrant for any therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) and 41.3(18) may also submit the training of the prospective authorized user physician for agency review.

*g.* A physician shall not act as an authorized user for any therapeutic radiation machine until such time as said physician's training has been reviewed and approved by the registrant.

**41.3(6)** Training for radiation therapy physicist. The registrant for any therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) or (18) shall require the radiation therapy physicist to:

*a.* Be registered with the agency, under the provisions of 641—subrule 39.3(3) of these regulations, as a provider of radiation services in the area of calibration and compliance surveys of external beam radiation therapy units; and

*b.* Be certified by the American Board of Radiology in:

- (1) Therapeutic radiological physics; or
- (2) Roentgen-ray and gamma-ray physics; or
- (3) X-ray and radium physics; or
- (4) Radiological physics; or

*c.* Be certified by the American Board of Medical Physics in radiation oncology physics; or

*d.* Be certified by the Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine; or

*e.* Hold a master's or doctor's degree in physics, biophysics, radiological physics, or health physics, and have completed one year of full-time training in therapeutic radiological physics and also one year of full-time work experience under the supervision of a radiation therapy physicist at a medical institution. To meet this requirement, the individual shall have performed the tasks listed in 41.3(16) "a," 41.3(17) "c" and "d," and 41.3(18) "e" and "f" under the supervision of a radiation therapy physicist during the year of work experience.

*f.* Rescinded IAB 4/3/02, effective 5/8/02.

**41.3(7)** Qualifications of operators.

*a.* Individuals who will be operating a therapeutic radiation machine for medical use shall be adequately instructed in the safe operating procedures, be competent in the safe use of the equipment in accordance with 641—Chapter 42 as applicable, and hold a current permit to practice in radiation therapy.

*b.* Each operator's permit to practice under 641—Chapter 42 shall be posted in the immediate vicinity of the general work area and visible to the public.

**41.3(8)** Written safety procedures and rules shall be developed by a radiation therapy physicist and shall be available in the control area of a therapeutic radiation machine, including any restrictions required for the safe operation of the particular therapeutic radiation machine. The operator shall be able to demonstrate familiarity with these rules. All individuals associated with the operation of a therapeutic radiation machine shall be instructed in and shall comply with procedures for maintaining written directives.

**41.3(9)** Individuals shall not be exposed to the useful beam except for medical therapy purposes and unless such exposure has been ordered in writing by a physician. This provision specifically prohibits deliberate exposure of an individual for training, demonstration or other non-healing arts purposes.

**41.3(10)** Records of visiting authorized users. Notwithstanding the provisions of 41.3(5), a registrant may permit any physician to act as a visiting authorized user for up to 60 days per calendar year under the following conditions:

- a. The visiting authorized user has the prior written permission of the registrant's management and, if the use occurs on behalf of an institution, the institution's radiation safety committee;
- b. The visiting authorized user meets the requirements of 41.3(5); and
- c. The registrant maintains copies of all records specified in 41.3(5) for five years from the date of the last visit.

**41.3(11)** Information and maintenance record and associated information. The registrant shall maintain the following information in a separate file or package for each therapeutic radiation machine for inspection by the agency:

- a. Report of acceptance testing;
- b. Records of all surveys, calibrations, and periodic quality assurance checks of the therapeutic radiation machine required by 41.3(136C), as well as the name(s) of person(s) who performed such activities;
- c. Records of maintenance or modifications, or both, performed on the therapeutic radiation machine after July 9, 1997, as well as the name(s) of person(s) who performed such services;
- d. Signature of person authorizing the return of therapeutic radiation machine to clinical use after service, repair, or upgrade.
- e. Records of training specified in 41.3(5) and 41.3(6).

**41.3(12)** Records retention. All records required by 641—41.3(136C) shall be retained until disposal is authorized by the agency unless another retention period is specifically authorized in 41.3(136C). All required records shall be retained in an active file from at least the time of generation until the next agency inspection. Any required record generated before the last agency inspection may be microfilmed or otherwise archived as long as a complete copy can be retrieved until such time the agency authorizes final disposal.

**41.3(13)** Form of records. Rescinded IAB 4/5/00, effective 5/10/00.

**41.3(14)** Written directives. Each registrant shall meet the following:

a. A written directive must be dated and signed by an authorized user prior to the administration of radiation.

(1) If, because of the patient's condition, a delay in the order to provide a written revision to an existing directive would jeopardize the patient's health, an oral revision to an existing written directive will be acceptable, provided that the oral revision is documented as soon as possible in writing in the patient's record and a revised written directive is signed by an authorized user within 48 hours of the oral revision.

(2) The written directive must contain the patient or human research subject's name, the type and energy of the beam, the total dose, dose per fraction, treatment site, and number of fractions.

(3) A written revision to an existing written directive may be made provided that the revision is dated and signed by an authorized user prior to the administration of the external beam dose, or the next fractional dose.

(4) The registrant shall retain a copy of the written directive for three years.

b. Procedures for administration. The registrant shall have written procedures that provide the following information:

(1) Prior to the administration of each course of radiation treatment, the patient's or human research subject's identity is verified by more than one method as the individual named in the written directive;

(2) Each administration is in accordance with the written directive;

(3) External beam radiation therapy final plans of treatment and related calculations are in accordance with the respective written directives by:

1. Checking both manual and computer-generated dose calculations to verify that they are correct and in accordance with the written directive; and

2. Verifying that any computer-generated calculations are correctly transferred into the consoles of authorized therapeutic medical units;

(4) Any unintended deviation from the written directive is identified, evaluated and appropriate action is taken; and

(5) The registrant retains a copy of the procedures for administrations for the duration of the registration.

**41.3(15) Reports and notifications of misadministrations.**

*a.* A registrant shall report any event resulting from intervention of a patient or human research subject in which the administration of external beam radiation results, or will result, in unintended permanent functional damage to an organ or a physiological system as determined by a physician.

*b.* Other than events that result from intervention by a patient or human research subject, a registrant shall report any event in which the administration of an external beam radiation therapy dose results in:

(1) A dose that differs from the prescribed dose by more than 5 rem (0.05 sievert) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 sievert) shallow dose equivalent to the skin, and either:

1. The total dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose by 20 percent or more; or
2. The fractionated dose delivered differs from the prescribed dose for a single fraction by 50 percent or more.

(2) A dose that exceeds 5 rem (0.05 sievert) effective dose equivalent, 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue, or 50 rem (0.5 sievert) shallow dose equivalent to the skin from either of the following:

1. An administration of the wrong treatment modality;
2. An administration to the wrong individual or human research subject.

(3) A dose to the skin or an organ or tissue other than the treatment site that exceeds by 50 rem (0.5 sievert) to an organ or tissue and 50 percent or more of the dose expected from the administration defined in the written directive.

*c.* The registrant shall notify the agency by telephone no later than the next calendar day after the discovery of a misadministration.

*d.* The registrant shall submit a written report to the agency within 15 days after the discovery of a misadministration. The written report shall include:

- (1) The registrant's name;
- (2) The name of the prescribing physician;
- (3) A brief description of the event;
- (4) Why the event occurred;
- (5) The effect, if any, on the individual or individuals who received the misadministration;
- (6) Actions, if any, that have been taken, or are planned, to prevent recurrence;
- (7) Certification that the registrant notified the individual or the individual's responsible relative or guardian, and if not, why not.

*e.* The report to the agency shall not contain the individual's name or any other information that could lead to the identification of the individual.

*f.* The registrant shall provide notification of the event to the referring physician and also notify the individual who is the subject of the misadministration no later than 24 hours after its discovery, unless the referring physician personally informs the registrant either that the referring physician will inform the individual or that, based on medical judgment, the physician's telling the individual would be harmful. The registrant is not required to notify the individual without first consulting the referring physician. If the referring physician or the affected individual cannot be reached within 24 hours, the registrant shall notify the individual as soon as possible thereafter. The registrant may not delay any appropriate medical care for the individual, including any necessary remedial care as a result of the misadministration, because of any delay in notification. To meet the requirements of this paragraph, the notification of the individual who is the subject of the misadministration may be made instead to that individual's responsible relative or guardian. If a verbal notification is made, the registrant shall inform the individual, or appropriate responsible relative or guardian, that a written description of the event may be obtained from the registrant upon request. The registrant shall provide such a written description if requested.

g. Aside from the notification requirement, nothing in this subrule affects any rights or duties of registrants and physicians in relation to each other, to individuals affected by the misadministration, or to individuals' responsible relatives or guardians.

h. A copy of the record required in this subrule shall be provided to the referring physician, if other than the registrant, within 15 days after discovery of the misadministration.

i. Records of misadministrations. A registrant shall retain a record of misadministrations reported in this subrule for three years. The record must contain the following:

- (1) The registrant's name and the names of the individuals involved;
- (2) The social security number or other identification number, if one has been assigned, of the individual who is the subject of the misadministration;
- (3) A brief description of the event; why it occurred; and the effect, if any, on the individual;
- (4) The actions, if any, taken or planned to prevent recurrence; and
- (5) Whether the registrant notified the individual or the individual's responsible relative or guardian, and, if not, whether such failure to notify was based on guidance from the referring physician.

**41.3(16)** General technical requirements for facilities using therapeutic radiation machines.

a. Protection surveys.

(1) The registrant shall ensure that radiation protection surveys of all new facilities, and existing facilities not previously surveyed, are performed with an operable radiation measurement survey instrument calibrated within the past 12 months. The radiation protection survey shall be performed by, or under the direction of, a radiation therapy physicist or a certified health physicist and shall verify that, with the therapeutic radiation machine in a "BEAM-ON" condition, with the largest clinically available treatment field and with a scattering phantom in the useful beam of radiation:

1. Radiation levels in restricted areas are not likely to cause personnel exposures in excess of the limits specified in 641—subrule 40.15(1); and

2. Radiation levels in unrestricted areas do not exceed the limits specified in 641—paragraphs 40.26(1) "a" and "b."

(2) In addition to the requirements of 41.3(16) "a"(1), a radiation protection survey shall also be performed prior to any subsequent medical use and:

1. After making any change in the treatment room shielding;
2. After making any change in the location of the therapeutic radiation machine within the treatment room;
3. After relocating the therapeutic radiation machine; or
4. Before using the therapeutic radiation machine in a manner that could result in increased radiation levels in areas outside the external beam radiation therapy treatment room.

(3) The survey record shall indicate all instances where the facility, in the opinion of the radiation therapy physicist or a certified health physicist, is in violation of applicable regulations. The survey record shall also include the date of the measurements, the reason the survey is required, the manufacturer's name, model number and serial number of the therapeutic radiation machine, the instrument(s) used to measure radiation levels, a plan of the areas surrounding the treatment room that were surveyed, the measured dose rate at several points in each area expressed in microsieverts or millirems per hour, the calculated maximum level of radiation over a period of one week for each restricted and unrestricted area, and the signature of the individual responsible for conducting the survey.

(4) If the results of the surveys required by 41.3(16) "a"(1) or (2) indicate any radiation levels in excess of the respective limit specified in 41.3(16) "a"(1), the registrant shall lock the control in the "OFF" position and not use the unit:

1. Except as may be necessary to repair, replace, or test the therapeutic radiation machine, the therapeutic radiation machine shielding, or the treatment room shielding; or
2. Until the registrant has received a specific exemption in writing from the agency.

b. Modification of radiation therapy unit or room before beginning a treatment program. If the survey required by 41.3(16) "a" indicates that an individual in an unrestricted area may be exposed

to levels of radiation greater than those permitted by 641—paragraphs 40.26(1) “a” and “b,” before beginning the treatment program the registrant shall:

- (1) Either equip the unit with beam direction interlocks or add additional radiation shielding to ensure compliance with 641—paragraphs 40.26(1) “a” and “b”;
- (2) Perform the survey required by 41.3(16) “a” again; and
- (3) Include in the report required by 41.3(16) “d” the results of the initial survey, a description of the modification made to comply with 41.3(5) “b”(1), and the results of the second survey; or
- (4) Request and receive written authorization from the agency that authorizes radiation levels in unrestricted areas greater than those permitted by 641—paragraphs 40.26(1) “a” and “b.”

*c.* Dosimetry equipment.

(1) The registrant shall have a calibrated dosimetry system available for use. The system shall have been calibrated by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) or by an American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM) Accredited Dosimetry Calibration Laboratory (ADCL). The calibration shall have been performed within the previous 24 months and after any servicing that may have affected system calibration.

1. For beams with energies greater than 1 MV (1 MeV), the dosimetry system shall have been calibrated for Cobalt-60.

2. For beams with energies equal to or less than 1 MV (1 MeV), the dosimetry system shall have been calibrated at an energy (energy range) appropriate for the radiation being measured.

(2) The registrant shall have available for use a dosimetry system for quality assurance check measurements. To meet this requirement, the system may be compared with a system that has been calibrated in accordance with 41.3(16) “c”(1). This comparison shall have been performed within the previous 12 months and after each servicing that may have affected system calibration. The quality assurance check system may be the same system used to meet the requirement in 41.3(16) “c”(1).

(3) The registrant shall maintain a record of each dosimetry system calibration, intercomparison, and comparison for the duration of the license or registration. For each calibration, intercomparison, or comparison, the record shall include the date, the model numbers and serial numbers of the instruments that were calibrated, intercompared, or compared as required by 41.3(16) “c”(1) and (2), the correction factors that were determined, the names of the individuals who performed the calibration, intercomparison, or comparison, and evidence that the intercomparison was performed by, or under the direct supervision and in the physical presence of, a radiation therapy physicist.

*d.* Reports of external beam radiation therapy surveys and measurements. The registrant for any therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) or 41.3(18) shall furnish a copy of the records required in 41.3(16) “a” and “b” to the agency within 30 days following completion of the action that initiated the record requirement.

**41.3(17)** Therapeutic radiation machines of less than 500 kV.

*a.* Equipment requirements.

(1) Leakage radiation. When the X-ray tube is operated at its maximum rated tube current for the maximum kV, the leakage air kerma rate shall not exceed the value specified at the distance specified for that classification of therapeutic radiation machine:

1. 5-50 kV systems. The leakage air kerma rate measured at any position 5 centimeters from the tube housing assembly shall not exceed 100 mrad (1 mGy) in any one hour.

2. >50 and <500 kV systems. The leakage air kerma rate measured at a distance of one meter from the target in any direction shall not exceed 1 rad (1 cGy) in any one hour. This air kerma rate measurement may be averaged over areas no larger than 100 square centimeters. In addition, the air kerma rate at a distance of 5 centimeters from the surface of the tube housing assembly shall not exceed 30 rad (30 cGy) per hour.

3. For each therapeutic machine, the registrant shall determine, or obtain from the manufacturer, the leakage radiation existing at positions specified in 41.3(17) “a”(1) “1” and 41.3(17) “a”(1) “2” for the specified operating conditions. Records on leakage radiation measurements shall be maintained at the facility for inspection by the agency.

(2) Permanent beam-limiting devices. Permanent diaphragms or cones used for limiting the useful beam shall provide at least the same degree of attenuation as required for the tube housing assembly.

(3) Adjustable or removable beam-limiting devices.

1. All adjustable or removable beam-limiting devices, diaphragms, cones or blocks shall not transmit more than 5 percent of the useful beam for the most penetrating beam used;

2. When adjustable beam-limiting devices are used, the position and shape of the radiation field shall be indicated by a light beam.

(4) Filter system. The filter system shall be so designed that:

1. Filters cannot be accidentally displaced at any possible tube orientation;

2. For equipment installed after July 9, 1997, an interlock system prevents irradiation if the proper filter is not in place;

3. The air kerma rate escaping from the filter slot shall not exceed 1 rad (1 cGy) per hour at one meter under any operating conditions; and

4. Each filter shall be marked as to its material of construction and its thickness.

(5) Tube immobilization.

1. The X-ray tube shall be so mounted that it cannot accidentally turn or slide with respect to the housing aperture; and

2. The tube housing assembly shall be capable of being immobilized for stationary portal treatments.

(6) Source marking. The tube housing assembly shall be so marked that it is possible to determine the location of the source to within 5 millimeters, and such marking shall be readily accessible for use during calibration procedures.

(7) Beam block. Contact therapy tube housing assemblies shall have a removable shield of material, equivalent in attenuation to 0.5 millimeters of lead at 100 kV, which can be positioned over the entire useful beam exit port during periods when the beam is not in use.

(8) Timer. A suitable irradiation control device shall be provided to terminate the irradiation after a preset time interval.

1. A timer which has a display shall be provided at the treatment control panel. The timer shall have a preset time selector and an elapsed time or time remaining indicator;

2. The timer shall be a cumulative timer which activates with an indication of "BEAM-ON" and retains its reading after irradiation is interrupted or terminated. After irradiation is terminated and before irradiation can be reinitiated, it shall be necessary to reset the elapsed time indicator;

3. The timer shall terminate irradiation when a preselected time has elapsed, if any dose monitoring system present has not previously terminated irradiation;

4. The timer shall permit accurate presetting and determination of exposure times as short as one second;

5. The timer shall not permit an exposure if set at zero;

6. The timer shall not activate until the shutter is opened when irradiation is controlled by a shutter mechanism unless calibration includes a timer error correction to compensate for mechanical lag; and

7. Timer shall be accurate to within 1 percent of the selected value or one second, whichever is greater.

(9) Control panel functions. The control panel, in addition to the displays required by other provisions in 41.3(6), shall have:

1. An indication of whether electrical power is available at the control panel and if activation of the X-ray tube is possible;

2. An indication of whether X-rays are being produced;

3. Means for indicating X-ray tube potential and current;

4. The means for terminating an exposure at any time;

5. A locking device which will prevent unauthorized use of the therapeutic radiation machine; and

6. For therapeutic radiation machines manufactured after July 9, 1997, a positive display of specific filter(s) in the beam.

(10) Multiple tubes. When a control panel may energize more than one X-ray tube:

1. It shall be possible to activate only one X-ray tube at any time;
2. There shall be an indication at the control panel identifying which X-ray tube is activated; and
3. There shall be an indication at the tube housing assembly when that tube is energized.

(11) Target-to-skin distance (TSD). There shall be a means of determining the central axis TSD to within one centimeter and of reproducing this measurement to within two millimeters thereafter.

(12) Shutters. Unless it is possible to bring the X-ray output to the prescribed exposure parameters within five seconds after the X-ray "ON" switch is energized, the beam shall be attenuated by a shutter(s) having a lead equivalency not less than that of the tube housing assembly. In addition, after the unit is at operating parameters, the shutter(s) shall be controlled by the operator from the control panel. An indication of shutter position shall appear at the control panel.

(13) Low filtration X-ray tubes. Each therapeutic radiation machine equipped with a beryllium or other low-filtration window shall be clearly labeled as such upon the tube housing assembly and shall be provided with a permanent warning device on the control panel that is activated when no additional filtration is present, to indicate that the dose rate is very high.

*b.* Facility design requirements for therapeutic radiation machines capable of operating in the range 50 kV to 500 kV. In addition to shielding adequate to meet requirements of 41.3(19), the treatment room shall meet the following design requirements:

(1) Aural communication. Provision shall be made for continuous two-way aural communication between the patient and the operator at the control panel.

(2) Viewing systems. Provision shall be made to permit continuous observation of the patient during irradiation and the viewing system shall be so located that the operator can observe the patient from the control panel. The therapeutic radiation machine shall not be used for patient irradiation unless at least one viewing system is operational.

(3) Additional requirements. Treatment rooms which contain a therapeutic radiation machine capable of operating above 150 kV shall meet the following additional requirements:

1. All protective barriers shall be fixed except for entrance doors or beam interceptors;
2. The control panel shall be located outside the treatment room or in a totally enclosed booth, which has a ceiling, inside the room;

3. Interlocks shall be provided such that all entrance doors, including doors to any interior booths, shall be closed before treatment can be initiated or continued. If the radiation beam is interrupted by any door opening, it shall not be possible to restore the machine to operation without closing the door and reinitiating irradiation by manual action at the control panel; and

4. When any door referred to in 41.3(17)"*b*"(3)"*3*" is opened while the radiation machine is activated, the air kerma rate at a distance of one meter from the source shall be reduced to less than 1 mGy (100 mrad) per hour.

*c.* Full calibration measurements.

(1) Full calibration of a therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) shall be performed by, or under the direct supervision of, a radiation therapy physicist:

1. Before the first medical use following installation or reinstallation of the therapeutic radiation machine;

2. At intervals not exceeding one year; and

3. Before medical use under the following conditions:

- Whenever quality assurance check measurements indicate that the radiation output differs by more than 5 percent from the value obtained at the last full calibration and the difference cannot be reconciled; and

- Following any component replacement, major repair, or modification of components that could significantly affect the characteristics of the radiation beam.

4. Notwithstanding the requirements of 41.3(17)"*c*"(1):

- Full calibration of therapeutic radiation machines with multienergy capabilities is required only for those modes or energies that are not within their acceptable range; and



- If the repair, replacement or modification does not affect all energies, full calibration shall be performed on the affected energy that is in most frequent clinical use at the facility. The remaining energies may be validated with quality assurance check procedures against the criteria in 41.3(17) "b"(3).

(2) To satisfy the requirement of 41.3(17) "c"(1), full calibration shall include all measurements recommended for annual calibration by NCRP Report 69, "Dosimetry of X-ray and Gamma Ray Beams for Radiation Therapy in the Energy Range 10 keV to 50 MeV" (1981).

(3) The registrant shall maintain a record of each calibration for the duration of the registration. The record shall include the date of the calibration, the manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number for both the therapeutic radiation machine and the X-ray tube, the model numbers and serial numbers of the instruments used to calibrate the therapeutic radiation machine, and the signature of the radiation therapy physicist responsible for performing the calibration.

*d.* Periodic quality assurance checks.

(1) Periodic quality assurance checks shall be performed on therapeutic radiation machines, subject to 41.3(17), which are capable of operation at greater than or equal to 50 kV.

(2) To satisfy the requirement of 41.3(17) "d"(1), quality assurance checks shall meet the following requirements:

1. The registrant shall perform quality assurance checks in accordance with written procedures established by the radiation therapy physicist; and

2. The quality assurance check procedures shall specify the frequency at which tests or measurements are to be performed. The quality assurance check procedures shall specify that the quality assurance check shall be performed during the calibration specified in 41.3(17) "c"(1). The acceptable tolerance for each parameter measured in the quality assurance check, when compared to the value for that parameter determined in the calibration specified in 41.3(17) "c"(1), shall be stated.

(3) The cause for a parameter exceeding a tolerance set by the radiation therapy physicist shall be investigated and corrected before the system is used for patient or human research subject irradiation;

(4) Whenever a quality assurance check indicates a significant change in the operating characteristics of a system, as specified in the radiation therapy physicist's quality assurance check procedures, the system shall be recalibrated as required in 41.3(17) "c"(1);

(5) The registrant shall use the dosimetry system described in 41.3(16) "c"(2) to make the quality assurance check required in 41.3(17) "d";

(6) The registrant shall have the radiation therapy physicist review and sign the results of each radiation output quality assurance check within one month of test completion;

(7) The registrant shall ensure that safety quality assurance checks of therapeutic radiation machines subject to 41.3(17) are performed at intervals not to exceed one month;

(8) Notwithstanding the requirements of 41.3(17) "d"(6) and (7), the registrant shall ensure that no therapeutic radiation machine is used to administer radiation to humans unless the quality assurance checks required by 41.3(17) "d"(6) and (7) have been performed within the 30 days prior to administration;

(9) To satisfy the requirement of 41.3(17) "d"(7), safety quality assurance checks shall ensure proper operation of:

1. Electrical interlocks at each external beam radiation therapy room entrance;
2. The "BEAM-ON" and termination switches;
3. Beam condition indicator lights on the access door(s), control console, and in the radiation therapy room;
4. Viewing systems;
5. If applicable, electrically operated treatment room doors from inside and outside the treatment room.

(10) The registrant shall maintain a record of each quality assurance check required by 41.3(17) "d"(1) and (7) for three years. The record shall include the date of the quality assurance check, the manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number for the therapeutic radiation machine, the manufacturer's name, model number and serial number of the instrument(s) used to measure the

radiation output of the therapeutic radiation machine, and the signature of the individual who performed the periodic quality assurance check.

*e.* Operating procedures.

(1) Therapeutic radiation machines shall not be left unattended unless secured by means identified in 41.3(17)“a”(9)“5”;

(2) When a patient must be held in position for radiation therapy, mechanical supporting or restraining devices shall be used;

(3) The tube housing assembly shall not be held by an individual during operation unless the assembly is designed to require such holding and the peak tube potential of the system does not exceed 50 kV. In such cases, the holder shall wear protective gloves and apron of not less than 0.5 millimeters lead equivalency at 100 kV;

(4) A copy of the current operating and emergency procedures shall be maintained at the therapeutic radiation machine control console; and

(5) No individual other than the patient shall be in the treatment room during exposures from therapeutic radiation machines operating above 150 kV. At energies less than or equal to 150 kV, any individual, other than the patient, in the treatment room shall be protected by a barrier sufficient to meet the requirements of 641—40.26(136C).

(6) The therapeutic radiation machine shall not be used for irradiation of patients unless the requirements of 41.3(17)“c” and “d” have been met.

*f.* Possession of survey instrument(s). Each facility location authorized to use a therapeutic radiation machine in accordance with 41.3(17) shall have at its disposal appropriately calibrated portable monitoring equipment. As a minimum, such equipment shall include a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range 1 mrem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 mrem (10 mSv) per hour. The survey instrument(s) shall be operable and calibrated at intervals not to exceed 12 months for the radiation measured.

**41.3(18)** Therapeutic radiation machines—photon therapy systems (500 kV and above) and electron therapy systems (500 keV and above).

*a.* Equipment requirements.

(1) Leakage radiation outside the maximum useful beam in photon and electron modes.

1. The absorbed dose due to leakage radiation (excluding neutrons) at any point outside the maximum-sized useful beam, but within a circular plane of radius two meters which is perpendicular to and centered on the central axis of the useful beam at the nominal treatment distance (i.e., patient plane), shall not exceed a maximum of 0.2 percent and an average of 0.1 percent of the absorbed dose on the central axis of the beam at the nominal treatment distance. Measurements shall be averaged over an area not exceeding 100 square centimeters at a minimum of 16 points uniformly distributed in the plane;

2. Except for the area defined in 41.3(18)“a”(1)“1,” the absorbed dose due to leakage radiation (excluding neutrons) at one meter from the electron path between the electron source and the target or electron window shall not exceed 0.5 percent of the absorbed dose on the central axis of the beam at the nominal treatment distance. Measurements shall be averaged over an area not exceeding 100 square centimeters;

3. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, the neutron absorbed dose outside the useful beam shall be in compliance with International Electrotechnical Agency (IEC) Document 601-2-1 (most current revision); and

4. For each therapeutic radiation machine, the registrant shall determine, or obtain from the manufacturer, the leakage radiation existing at the positions specified in 41.3(18)“a”(1)“1” to “3” for the specified operating conditions. Records of leakage radiation measurements shall be maintained for inspection by the agency.

(2) Leakage radiation through beam-limiting devices.

1. Photon radiation. All adjustable or interchangeable beam-limiting devices shall attenuate the useful beam such that at the nominal treatment distance, the maximum absorbed dose anywhere in the area shielded by the beam-limiting device(s) shall not exceed 2 percent of the maximum absorbed dose on the central axis of the useful beam measured in a 10-centimeter by 10-centimeter radiation field;

2. Electron radiation. All adjustable or interchangeable electron applicators shall attenuate the radiation including, but not limited to, photon radiation generated by electrons incident on the beam-limiting device and electron applicator and other parts of the radiation head, such that the absorbed dose in a plane perpendicular to the central axis of the useful beam at the nominal treatment distance shall not exceed:

- A maximum of 2 percent and average of 0.5 percent of the absorbed dose on the central axis of the useful beam at the nominal treatment distance. This limit shall apply beyond a line seven centimeters outside the periphery of the useful beam; and
- A maximum of 10 percent of the absorbed dose on the central axis of the useful beam at the nominal treatment distance. This limit shall apply beyond a line two centimeters outside the periphery of the useful beam.

(3) Measurement of leakage radiation.

1. Photon radiation. Measurements of leakage radiation through the beam-limiting devices shall be made with the beam-limiting devices closed and any residual aperture blocked by at least two-tenth value layers of suitable absorbing material. In the case of overlapping beam-limiting devices, the leakage radiation through each set shall be measured independently at the depth of maximum dose. Measurements shall be made using a radiation detector with an area not exceeding ten square centimeters;

2. Electron radiation. Measurements of leakage radiation through the electron applicators shall be made with the electron beam directed into the air and using a radiation detector with an area up to but not exceeding one square centimeter suitably protected against radiation which has been scattered from material beyond the radiation detector. Measurements shall be made using one centimeter of water equivalent buildup material.

(4) Filters/wedges.

1. Each wedge filter which is removable from the system shall be clearly marked with an identification number. For removable wedge filters, the nominal wedge angle shall appear on the wedge or wedge tray (if permanently mounted to the tray). If the wedge or wedge tray is significantly damaged, the wedge transmission factor shall be redetermined;

2. If the absorbed dose rate information required by 41.3(18)“a”(9) relates exclusively to operation with a field-flattening filter or beam-scattering foil in place, such filter or foil shall be removable only by the use of tools;

3. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, which utilizes a system of wedge filters, interchangeable field-flattening filters, or interchangeable beam-scattering foils:

- Irradiation shall not be possible until a selection of a filter or a positive selection to use “no filter” has been made at the treatment control panel, either manually or automatically;
- An interlock system shall be provided to prevent irradiation if the filter selected is not in the correct position;
- A display shall be provided at the treatment control panel showing the wedge filter(s), interchangeable field-flattening filter(s), and interchangeable beam-scattering foil(s) in use; and
- An interlock shall be provided to prevent irradiation if any filter or beam-scattering foil selection operation carried out in the treatment room does not agree with the filter or beam-scattering foil selection operation carried out at the treatment control panel.

(5) Stray radiation in the useful beam. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, the registrant shall determine during acceptance testing, or obtain from the manufacturer, data sufficient to ensure that X-ray stray radiation in the useful electron beam, absorbed dose at the surface during X-ray irradiation and stray neutron radiation in the useful X-ray beam are in compliance with International Electrotechnical Agency (IEC) Document 601-2-1 (most current revision).

(6) Beam monitors. All therapeutic radiation machines subject to 41.3(18) shall be provided with redundant beam monitoring systems. The sensors for these systems shall be fixed in the useful beam during treatment to indicate the dose monitor unit rate.

1. Equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, shall be provided with at least two independently powered integrating dose meters. Alternatively, common elements may be used if the production of radiation is terminated upon failure of any common element.

2. Equipment manufactured on or before July 9, 1997, shall be provided with at least one radiation detector. This detector shall be incorporated into a useful beam monitoring system. The detector and the system into which that detector is incorporated shall meet the following requirements:

- Each detector shall be removable only with tools and, if movable, shall be interlocked to prevent incorrect positioning;

- Each detector shall form part of a beam monitoring system from whose readings in dose monitor units the absorbed dose at a reference point can be calculated;

- Each beam monitoring system shall be capable of independently monitoring, interrupting, and terminating irradiation; and

3. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, the design of the beam monitoring systems shall ensure that the:

- Malfunctioning of one system shall not affect the correct functioning of the other system(s); and

- Failure of any element common to both systems which could affect the correct function of both systems shall terminate irradiation or prevent the initiation of radiation.

4. Each beam monitoring system shall have a legible display at the treatment control panel. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, each display shall:

- Maintain a reading until intentionally reset;

- Have only one scale and no electrical or mechanical scale multiplying factors;

- Utilize a design such that increasing dose is displayed by increasing numbers; and

- In the event of power failure, the beam monitoring information required in 41.3(18)“a”(6)“4” displayed at the control panel at the time of failure shall be retrievable in at least one system for a 20-minute period of time.

(7) Beam symmetry.

1. Bent-beam linear accelerators with beam-flattening filter(s) subject to 41.3(18) shall be provided with auxiliary device(s) to monitor beam symmetry;

2. The device(s) referenced in 41.3(18)“a”(7)“1” shall be able to detect field asymmetry greater than 10 percent, and shall be configured to terminate irradiation if field asymmetry cannot be maintained at 10 percent or less.

(8) Selection and display of dose monitor units.

1. The preselected number of dose monitor units shall be displayed at the treatment control panel until reset manually;

2. After termination of irradiation, it shall be necessary to reset the dosimeter display before subsequent treatment can be initiated; and

3. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, after termination of irradiation, it shall be necessary for the operator to reset the preselected dose monitor units before irradiation can be initiated.

4. Irradiation shall not be possible until a new selection of a number of dose monitor units has been made at the treatment control panel.

(9) Air kerma rate/absorbed dose rate. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, a system shall be provided from whose readings the air kerma rate or absorbed dose rate at a reference point can be calculated. (The radiation detectors specified in 41.3(18)“a”(6) may form part of this system.) In addition:

1. The dose monitor unit rate shall be displayed at the treatment control panel;

2. If the equipment can deliver under any conditions an air kerma rate or absorbed dose rate at the nominal treatment distance more than twice the maximum value specified by the manufacturer, a device shall be provided which terminates irradiation when the air kerma rate or absorbed dose rate exceeds a value twice the specified maximum. The dose rate at which the irradiation will be terminated shall be a record maintained by the registrant;

3. If the equipment can deliver under any fault condition(s) an air kerma rate or absorbed dose rate at the nominal treatment distance more than ten times the maximum value specified by the manufacturer, a device shall be provided to prevent the air kerma rate or absorbed dose rate anywhere in the radiation field from exceeding twice the specified maximum value and to terminate irradiation if the excess absorbed dose at the nominal treatment distance exceeds 400 rad (4 Gy); and

4. For each therapeutic radiation machine, the registrant shall determine, or obtain from the manufacturer, the maximum value(s) specified in 41.3(18) "a"(7)"2" and "3" for the specified operating conditions. Records of these maximum value(s) shall be maintained at the installation for inspection by the agency.

(10) Termination of irradiation by the beam monitoring system or systems during stationary beam radiation therapy.

1. Each primary system shall terminate irradiation when the preselected number of dose monitor units has been detected by the system;

2. If the original design of the equipment included a secondary dose monitoring system, that system shall be capable of terminating irradiation when not more than 15 percent or 40 dose monitor units above the preselected number of dose monitor units set at the control panel has been detected by the secondary dose monitoring system; and

3. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, an indicator on the control panel shall show which monitoring system has terminated irradiation.

(11) Termination switches. It shall be possible to terminate irradiation and equipment movement or go from an interruption condition to termination condition at any time from the operator's position at the treatment control panel.

(12) Interruption switches. If a therapeutic radiation machine has an interrupt mode, it shall be possible to interrupt irradiation and equipment movements at any time from the treatment control panel. Following an interruption it shall be possible to restart irradiation by operator action without any reselection of operating conditions. If any change of a preselected value is made during an interruption, irradiation and equipment movements shall be automatically terminated.

(13) Timer. A suitable irradiation control device shall be provided to terminate the irradiation after a preset time interval.

1. A timer shall be provided which has a display at the treatment control panel. The timer shall have a preset time selector and an elapsed time indicator;

2. The timer shall be a cumulative timer which activates with an indication of "BEAM-ON" and retains its reading after irradiation is interrupted or terminated. After irradiation is terminated and before irradiation can be reinitiated, it shall be necessary to reset the elapsed time indicator;

3. The timer shall terminate irradiation when a preselected time has elapsed, if the dose monitoring systems have not previously terminated irradiation.

(14) Selection of radiation type. Equipment capable of both X-ray therapy and electron therapy shall meet the following additional requirements:

1. Irradiation shall not be possible until a selection of radiation type (X-rays or electrons) has been made at the treatment control panel;

2. The radiation type selected shall be displayed at the treatment control panel before and during irradiation;

3. An interlock system shall be provided to ensure that the equipment can principally emit only the radiation type which has been selected;

4. An interlock system shall be provided to prevent irradiation with X-rays, except to obtain a verification image, when electron applicators are fitted;

5. An interlock system shall be provided to prevent irradiation with electrons when accessories specific for X-ray therapy are fitted; and

6. An interlock system shall be provided to prevent irradiation if any selected operations carried out in the treatment room do not agree with the selected operations carried out at the treatment control panel.

(15) Selection of energy. Equipment capable of generating radiation beams of different energies shall meet the following requirements:

1. Irradiation shall not be possible until a selection of energy has been made at the treatment control panel;
2. The nominal energy value selected shall be displayed at the treatment control panel until reset manually for the next irradiation. After termination of irradiation, it shall be necessary to reset the nominal energy value selected before subsequent treatment can be initiated; and
3. Irradiation shall not be possible until the appropriate flattening filter or scattering foil for the selected energy is in its proper location.
4. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, the selection of energy shall be in compliance with International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Document 60601-2-1.

(16) Selection of stationary beam radiation therapy or moving beam radiation therapy. Therapeutic radiation machines capable of both stationary beam radiation therapy and moving beam radiation therapy shall meet the following requirements:

1. Irradiation shall not be possible until a selection of stationary beam radiation therapy or moving beam radiation therapy has been made at the treatment control panel;
2. The mode of operation shall be displayed at the treatment control panel;
3. An interlock system shall be provided to ensure that the equipment can operate only in the mode which has been selected;
4. An interlock system shall be provided to prevent irradiation if any selected parameter in the treatment room does not agree with the selected parameter at the treatment control panel;
5. Moving beam radiation therapy shall be controlled to obtain the selected relationships between incremental dose monitor units and incremental movement. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997:

- An interlock system shall be provided to terminate irradiation if the number of dose monitor units delivered in any ten degrees of rotation or one centimeter of linear motion differs by more than 20 percent from the selected value;
- Where angle terminates the irradiation in moving beam radiation therapy, the dose monitor units delivered shall differ by less than 5 percent from the dose monitor unit value selected;
- An interlock shall be provided to prevent motion of more than five degrees or one centimeter beyond the selected limits during moving beam radiation therapy;
- An interlock shall be provided to require that a selection of direction be made at the treatment control panel in all units which are capable of both clockwise and counterclockwise moving beam radiation therapy.
- Moving beam radiation therapy shall be controlled with both primary position sensors and secondary position sensors to obtain the selected relationships between incremental dose monitor units and incremental movement.

6. Where the beam monitoring system terminates the irradiation in moving beam radiation therapy, the termination of irradiation shall be as required by 41.3(18) "a"(10); and

7. For equipment manufactured after July 9, 1997, an interlock system shall be provided to terminate irradiation if movement:

- Occurs during stationary beam radiation therapy; or
- Does not start or stops during moving beam radiation therapy unless such stoppage is a preplanned function.

b. Facility design requirements for therapeutic radiation machines operating above 500 kV. In addition to shielding adequate to meet requirements of 41.3(19), the following design requirements are made:

(1) Protective barriers. All protective barriers shall be fixed, except for access doors to the treatment room or movable beam interceptors.

(2) Control panel. In addition to other requirements specified in 41.3(136C), the control panel shall also:

1. Be located outside the treatment room;

2. Provide an indication of whether electrical power is available at the control panel and if activation of the radiation is possible;

3. Provide an indication of whether radiation is being produced; and

4. Include an access control (locking) device which will prevent unauthorized use of the therapeutic radiation machine.

(3) Viewing systems. Windows, mirrors, closed-circuit television or an equivalent viewing system shall be provided to permit continuous observation of the patient following positioning and during irradiation and shall be so located that the operator may observe the patient from the treatment control panel. The therapeutic radiation machine shall not be used for patient irradiation unless at least one viewing system is operational.

(4) Aural communications. Provision shall be made for continuous two-way aural communication between the patient and the operator at the control panel. The therapeutic radiation machine shall not be used for irradiation of patients unless continuous two-way aural communication is possible.

(5) Room entrances. Treatment room entrances shall be provided with warning lights in a readily observable position near the outside of all access doors, which will indicate when the useful beam is "ON" and when it is "OFF".

(6) Entrance interlocks. Interlocks shall be provided such that all access controls are activated before treatment can be initiated or continued. If the radiation beam is interrupted by any access control, it shall not be possible to restore the machine to operation without resetting the access control and reinitiating irradiation by manual action at the control panel.

(7) Beam interceptor interlocks. If the shielding material in any protective barrier requires the presence of a beam interceptor to ensure compliance with 641—paragraphs 40.26(1) "a" and "b," interlocks shall be provided to prevent the production of radiation, unless the beam interceptor is in place, whenever the useful beam is directed at the designated barrier(s).

(8) Emergency cutoff switches. At least one emergency power cutoff switch shall be located in the radiation therapy room and shall terminate all equipment electrical power including radiation and mechanical motion. This switch is in addition to the termination switch required by 41.3(18) "a"(11). All emergency power cutoff switches shall include a manual reset so that the therapeutic radiation machine cannot be restarted from the unit's control console without resetting the emergency cutoff switch.

(9) Safety interlocks. All safety interlocks shall be designed so that any defect or component failure in the safety interlock system prevents or terminates operation of the therapeutic radiation machine.

(10) Surveys for residual radiation. Surveys for residual activity shall be conducted on all therapeutic radiation machines capable of generating photon and electron energies above 10 MV prior to machining, removing, or working on therapeutic radiation machine components which may have become activated due to photoneutron production.

(11) Possession of survey instrument(s). Each facility location authorized to use a therapeutic radiation machine in accordance with 41.3(18) shall have at its disposal appropriately calibrated portable monitoring equipment. As a minimum, such equipment shall include a portable radiation measurement survey instrument capable of measuring dose rates over the range 1 mrem (10  $\mu$ Sv) per hour to 1000 mrem (10 mSv) per hour. The survey instrument(s) shall be operable and calibrated at intervals not to exceed 12 months for the radiation measured.

c. Radiation therapy physicist support.

(1) The services of a radiation therapy physicist shall be required in facilities having therapeutic radiation machines with energies of 500 kV and above. The radiation therapy physicist shall be responsible for:

1. Full calibration(s) required by 41.3(18) "e" and protection surveys required by 41.3(16) "a";

2. Supervision and review of dosimetry;

3. Beam data acquisition and transfer for computerized dosimetry, and supervision of its use;

4. Quality assurance, including quality assurance check review required by 41.3(18) "f"(5) of these regulations;

5. Consultation with the authorized user in treatment planning, as needed; and

6. Performing calculations/assessments regarding misadministrations.

(2) If the radiation therapy physicist is not a full-time employee of the registrant, the operating procedures required by 41.3(18)“d” shall also specifically address how the radiation therapy physicist is to be contacted for problems or emergencies, as well as the specific actions, if any, to be taken until the radiation therapy physicist can be contacted.

*d.* Operating procedures.

(1) No individual, other than the patient, shall be in the treatment room during treatment or during any irradiation for testing or calibration purposes;

(2) Therapeutic radiation machines shall not be made available for medical use unless the requirements of 41.3(16)“a,” 41.3(18)“e,” and 41.3(18)“f” have been met;

(3) Therapeutic radiation machines, when not in operation, shall be secured to prevent unauthorized use;

(4) When adjustable beam-limiting devices are used, the position and shape of the radiation field shall be indicated by a light field;

(5) If a patient must be held in position during treatment, mechanical supporting or restraining devices shall be used; and

(6) A copy of the current operating and emergency procedures shall be maintained at the therapeutic radiation machine control console.

*e.* Acceptance testing, commissioning, and full calibration measurements.

(1) Acceptance testing, commissioning, and full calibration of a therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(18) shall be performed by, or under the direct supervision of, a radiation therapy physicist:

1. Acceptance testing and commissioning shall be performed in accordance with “AAPM Code of Practice for Radiotherapy Accelerators: AAPM Report No.47,” prepared by Radiation Therapy Task Group 45, and the manufacturer’s contractual specifications and shall be conducted before the first medical use following installation or reinstallation of the therapeutic radiation machine;

2. Full calibration shall include measurement of all parameters listed in Appendix D of 641—Chapter 41 and shall be performed in accordance with “AAPM Code of Practice for Radiotherapy Accelerators: AAPM Report No.47,” prepared by Radiation Therapy Task Group 45. Although it shall not be necessary to complete all elements of a full calibration at the same time, all parameters (for all energies) shall be completed at intervals not to exceed 12 calendar months, unless a more frequent interval is required by this agency.

3. The radiation therapy physicist shall perform all elements of a full calibration necessary to determine that all parameters are within acceptable limits:

- Whenever quality assurance check measurements indicate that the radiation output differs by more than 5 percent from the value obtained at the last full calibration and the difference cannot be reconciled. Therapeutic radiation machines with multienergy or multimode capabilities or both shall only require measurements for those modes or energies that are not within their acceptable range; and

- Following any component replacement, major repair, or modification of components that could significantly affect the characteristics of the radiation beam. If the repair, replacement or modification does not affect all modes or energies, measurements shall be performed on the affected mode/energy that is in most frequent clinical use at the facility. The remaining energies/modes may be validated with quality assurance check procedures against the criteria in 41.3(18)“e”(1)“3.”

(2) The registrant shall use the dosimetry system described in 41.3(16)“c” to measure the radiation output for one set of exposure conditions.

(3) The registrant shall maintain a record of each calibration in an auditable form for the duration of the registration. The record shall include the date of the calibration, the manufacturer’s name, model number, and serial number for the therapeutic radiation machine, the model numbers and serial numbers of the instruments used to calibrate the therapeutic radiation machine, and the signature of the radiation therapy physicist responsible for performing the calibration.

*f.* Periodic quality assurance checks.

(1) Periodic quality assurance checks shall be performed on all therapeutic radiation machines subject to 41.3(18) at intervals as specified in Appendix D of 641—Chapter 41;



(2) To satisfy the requirement of 41.3(18)“f”(1), quality assurance checks shall include determination of central axis radiation output and a representative sampling of periodic quality assurance checks contained in Appendix D of 641—Chapter 41. Representative sampling shall include all referenced periodic quality assurance checks at intervals not to exceed 12 consecutive calendar months;

(3) The registrant shall use a dosimetry system which has been intercompared within the previous 12 months with the dosimetry system described in 41.3(16)“c”(1) to make the periodic quality assurance checks required in 41.3(18)“f”(2);

(4) The registrant shall perform periodic quality assurance checks required by 41.3(18)“f”(1) in accordance with procedures established by the radiation therapy physicist;

(5) The registrant shall review the results of each periodic radiation output check according to the following procedures:

1. The authorized user and radiation therapy physicist shall be immediately notified if any parameter is not within its acceptable tolerance. The therapeutic radiation machine shall not be made available for subsequent medical use until the radiation therapy physicist has determined that all parameters are within their acceptable tolerances;

2. If all quality assurance check parameters appear to be within their acceptable range, the quality assurance check shall be reviewed and signed by either the authorized user or radiation therapy physicist within three treatment days; and

3. The radiation therapy physicist shall review and sign the results of each radiation output quality assurance check at intervals not to exceed one month.

(6) Therapeutic radiation machines subject to 41.3(18) shall have safety quality assurance checks of each external beam radiation therapy machine performed at intervals not to exceed one week;

(7) To satisfy the requirement of 41.3(18)“f”(6), safety quality assurance checks shall ensure proper operation of:

1. Electrical interlocks at each external beam radiation therapy room entrance;
2. Proper operation of the “BEAM-ON,” interrupt and termination switches;
3. Beam condition indicator lights on the access doors, control console, and in the radiation therapy room;
4. Viewing systems;
5. Aural systems;
6. Electrically operated treatment room door(s) from inside and outside the treatment room;
7. At least one emergency power cutoff switch. If more than one emergency power cutoff switch is installed and not all switches are tested at once, each switch shall be tested on a rotating basis. Safety quality assurance checks of the emergency power cutoff switches may be conducted at the end of the treatment day in order to minimize possible stability problems with the therapeutic radiation machine;

(8) Rescinded IAB 4/11/07, effective 5/16/07.

(9) The registrant shall promptly repair any system identified in 41.3(18)“f”(7) that is not operating properly; and

(10) The registrant shall maintain a record of each quality assurance check required by 41.3(18)“f”(1) and 41.3(18)“f”(7) for three years. The record shall include the date of the quality assurance check, the manufacturer’s name, model number, and serial number for the therapeutic radiation machine, the manufacturer’s name, model number and serial number of the instrument(s) used to measure the radiation output of the therapeutic radiation machine, and the signature of the individual who performed the periodic quality assurance check.

**41.3(19) Shielding and safety design requirements.**

a. Each therapeutic radiation machine subject to 41.3(17) or 41.3(18) shall be provided with such primary or secondary barriers as are necessary to ensure compliance with 641—40.15(136C) and 641—40.26(136C).

b. Facility design information for all new installations of a therapeutic radiation machine or installations of a therapeutic radiation machine of higher energy into a room not previously approved for that energy shall be submitted for agency approval prior to actual installation of the therapeutic

radiation machine. The minimum facility design information that must be submitted is contained in Appendix E of 641—Chapter 41.

**41.3(20) Calibration of survey instruments.**

*a.* The registrant shall ensure that the survey instruments used to show compliance with 645—41.3(136C) have been calibrated before first use, at intervals not to exceed 12 months, and following repair.

*b.* To satisfy the requirements of 41.3(20), the registrant shall:

(1) Calibrate all required scale readings up to 1000 mrem (10 mSv) per hour with an appropriate radiation source that is traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST);

(2) Calibrate at least two points on each scale to be calibrated. These points should be at approximately 1/3 and 2/3 of full scale;

(3) Consider a point as calibrated if the indicated dose rate differs from the calculated dose rate by not more than 10 percent; and

(4) Consider a point as calibrated if the indicated dose rate differs from the calculated dose rate by not more than 20 percent if a correction factor or graph is conspicuously attached to the instrument.

*c.* The registrant shall retain a record of each calibration required in 41.3(20) for three years. The record shall include:

(1) A description of the calibration procedure; and

(2) A description of the source used and the certified dose rates from the source, and the rates indicated by the instrument being calibrated, the correction factors deduced from the calibration data, the signature of the individual who performed the calibration, and the date of calibration.

*d.* The registrant may obtain the services of individuals licensed by this agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state to perform calibrations of survey instruments. Records of calibrations that contain information required in 41.3(20) shall be maintained by the registrant.

**641—41.4(136C) Radiation safety requirements for analytical X-ray equipment.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**641—41.5(136C) Radiation safety requirements for wireline service operations and subsurface tracer studies.** Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**641—41.6(136C) X-ray machines used for screening and diagnostic mammography.**

**41.6(1) Definitions.** In addition to the definitions provided in 641—38.2(136C), 641—40.2(136C), and 641—41.1(136C), the following definitions shall be applicable to this rule.

“*Accreditation body*” means an entity that has been approved by FDA to accredit mammography facilities.

“*Action limits*” or “*action levels*” means the minimum and maximum values of a quality assurance measurement that can be interpreted as representing acceptable performance with respect to the parameter being tested. Values less than the minimum or greater than the maximum action limit or level indicate that corrective action must be taken by the facility. Action limits or levels are also sometimes called control limits or levels.

“*Adverse event*” means an undesirable experience associated with mammography activities. Adverse events include but are not limited to:

1. Poor image quality;
2. Failure to send mammography reports within 30 days to the referring physician or in a timely manner to the self-referred patient; and
3. Use of personnel who do not meet the applicable requirements of this chapter.

“*Air kerma*” means kerma in a given mass of air. The unit used to measure the quantity of air kerma is the Gray (Gy). For X-rays with energies less than 300 kiloelectronvolts (keV), 1 Gray of absorbed dose is delivered by 114 roentgens (R) of exposure.

“*Annually*” means within 10 to 14 months of previous occurrence.

“*Artifact*” means a substance or structure not naturally present in living tissue but of which an authentic image appears in a radiograph.

“*Automatic exposure control systems*” means automatic exposure control systems, often referred to as phototimers, which are designed to automatically determine and provide the exposure needed to produce an adequate density image by sampling the X-ray intensity after passage through the patient and image receptor.

“*Average glandular dose*” means the energy deposited per unit mass of glandular tissue averaged over all the glandular tissue in the breast, calculated from values of entrance exposure in air, the X-ray beam quality (half-value layer), and compressed breast thickness. For a 50 percent-50 percent adipose and glandular 4.2 centimeter breast, the average glandular dose shall not exceed 300 millirad (3 mGy). See also: “Dose.”

“*Breast implant*” means a prosthetic device implanted in the breast.

“*Calendar quarter*” means any one of the following time periods during a given year: January 1 through March 31, April 1 through June 30, July 1 through September 30, or October 1 through December 31.

“*Category 1*” means medical education activities that have been designated as Category 1 by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), a state medical society, or an equivalent organization.

“*Certificate*” means the certificate described in 41.6(2)“a”(2).

“*Certification*” means the process of approval of a facility by the FDA or this agency to provide mammography services.

“*Clinical image*” means a mammogram.

“*Compression device*” means a firm plastic paddle used to help hold the breast stationary and eliminate blurring due to motion, to help separate structures within the breast, and to decrease the thickness of breast tissue, minimizing the amount of radiation used and the amount of scattered radiation reaching the film.

“*Computed radiography mammography*” means a type of digital mammography in which the digital image receptor must be removed from the X-ray unit for the image to be read and processed by a separate image receptor reader.

“*Consumer*” means an individual who chooses to comment or complain in reference to a mammography examination, including the patient or representative of the patient (e.g., family member or referring physician).

“*Contact hour*” means an hour of training received through direct instruction.

“*Continuing education unit*” or “*continuing education credit*” means one contact hour of training.

“*Craniocaudal view*” means one of two routine views for mammography. The detector system is placed caudad to (below) the breast and the vertical X-ray beam is directed from cranial to caudad (downward) through the breast.

“*Dedicated mammography equipment*” means X-ray systems designed specifically for breast imaging, providing optimum imaging geometry, a device for breast compression and low dose exposure that can generate reproducible images of high quality.

“*Direct detector technology*” means a digital mammogram captured using a material which converts the X-ray energies directly to an electric signal.

“*Direct instruction*” means:

1. Face-to-face interaction between instructor(s) and student(s), as when the instructor provides a lecture, conducts demonstrations, or reviews student performance; or
2. The administration and correction of student examinations by an instructor(s) with subsequent feedback to the student(s).

“*Direct supervision*” means that:

1. During joint interpretation of mammograms, the supervising interpreting physician reviews, discusses, and confirms the diagnosis of the physician being supervised and signs the resulting report before it is entered into the patient’s records; or

2. During the performance of a mammography examination or survey of the facility's equipment and quality assurance program, the supervisor is present to observe and correct, as needed, the performance of the individual being supervised who is performing the examination or conducting the survey.

*"Dose"* means the amount of energy deposited per unit mass of tissue due to X-radiation. The newer unit of absorbed dose is the Gray: 1 Gray=1 Joule of energy deposited per kilogram of tissue. The older unit of absorbed dose is the rad: 1 rad=0.01 Gray, 1 centiGray, or 10 milliGray.

*"Exposure"* means the amount of X-radiation, quantitated by measuring the amount of ionization in air caused by the radiation. The units of exposure are Coulombs of charge ionized per kilogram of air. The older unit of exposure is the Roentgen: 1 Roentgen= $2.58 \times 10^{-4}$  Coulombs of charge per kilogram of air.

*"Facility"* means a hospital, outpatient department, clinic, radiology practice, mobile unit, office of a physician, or other facility that conducts mammography activities, including the following: operation of equipment to produce a mammogram, initial interpretation of the mammogram, and maintaining viewing conditions for that interpretation. This term does not include a facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

*"FDA"* means the Food and Drug Administration.

*"First allowable time"* means the earliest time a resident physician is eligible to take the diagnostic radiology boards from an FDA-designated certifying body. The "first allowable time" may vary with the certifying body.

*"Full field digital mammography"* means radiographic imaging of the breast using a digital image receptor with minimum dimensions of 18×23 cm to allow imaging the average size breast in a single exposure.

*"Grids"* means a set of thin lead strips spaced close to one another, interspaced by carbon fiber for mammographic grids. The grid is placed between the breast and the screen-film image receptor to reduce scattered radiation reaching the image receptor.

*"Image noise."* See "Radiographic noise."

*"Image receptor support device"* means, for mammography X-ray systems, that part of the system designed to support the image receptor during a mammographic examination and to provide a primary protective barrier.

*"Interpreting physician"* means a licensed radiologist who interprets mammograms and who meets the requirements set forth in 41.6(3)"a."

*"Kerma"* means the sum of the initial energies of all the charged particles liberated by uncharged ionizing particles in a material of given mass.

*"Laterality"* means the designation of either the right or left breast.

*"Lead interpreting physician"* means the interpreting physician assigned the general responsibility for ensuring that a facility's quality assurance program meets all of the requirements of this chapter. The administrative title and other supervisory responsibilities of the individual, if any, are left to the discretion of the facility.

*"Mammogram"* means a radiographic image produced through mammography.

*"Mammographic modality"* means a technology for radiography of the breast. Examples are screen-film mammography, xeromammography, and digital mammography.

*"Mammography"* means radiography of the breast but, for the purposes of 641—41.6(136C), does not include:

1. Radiography of the breast performed during invasive interventions for localization or biopsy procedures; or
2. Radiography of the breast performed with an investigational mammography device as part of a scientific study conducted in accordance with FDA investigational device exemption regulations; or
3. Radiography of the breast performed as part of either a breast localization procedure or a post-stereotactic clip placement localization procedure.

*“Mammography equipment evaluation”* means an on-site assessment of the mammography unit or image processor performance by a medical physicist for the purpose of making a preliminary determination as to whether the equipment meets all of the applicable standards.

*“Mammography medical outcomes audit”* means a systematic collection of mammography results and the comparison of those results with outcomes data.

*“Mammography unit(s)”* means an assemblage of components for the production of X-rays for use during mammography including, at a minimum: an X-ray generator, an X-ray control, a tube housing assembly, a beam limiting device, and the supporting structures for these components.

*“Mean optical density”* means the average of the optical densities measured using phantom thicknesses of 2, 4, and 6 centimeters with values of kilovolt peak (kVp) clinically appropriate for those thicknesses.

*“Medical physicist”* means a person trained in evaluating the performance of mammography equipment and facility quality assurance programs and who meets the qualifications for a medical physicist set forth in 41.6(3)“c.”

*“Mediolateral view”* means one of the routine views for mammography in addition to the craniocaudal view. The detector system is placed lateral to the breast and the horizontal X-ray beam is directed from medial to lateral aspect through the breast.

*“MQSA”* means the Mammography Quality Standards Act of 1992.

*“Multi-reading”* means two or more physicians, at least one of whom is an interpreting physician, interpreting the same mammogram. A radiologist may count the current mammographic examination and one prior mammographic examination, provided the radiologist was not the interpreter of the prior mammographic examination. A separate tally shall be kept for the prior examinations.

*“Oblique mediolateral view”* means one of the standard two views of the breast. The detector system (cassette holder assembly) is angled 30-60 degrees from horizontal so that the cassette assembly is parallel to the pectoral muscle and the corner of the cassette holder fits comfortably into the axilla. The X-ray beam is directed from the supero-medial to the infero-lateral aspect of the breast.

*“Patient”* means any individual who undergoes a mammography evaluation in a facility, regardless of whether the person is referred by a physician or is self-referred.

*“Phantom”* means an artificial test object used to simulate radiographic characteristics of compressed breast tissue and containing components that radiographically model aspects of breast disease and cancer.

*“Phantom image”* means a radiographic image of a phantom.

*“Physical science”* means physics, chemistry, radiation science (including medical physics and health physics), and engineering.

*“Positive mammogram”* means a mammogram that has an overall assessment of findings that are either “suspicious” or “highly suggestive of malignancy.”

*“Provisional certification”* means the six-month certification time period in which a facility has to complete the accreditation/certification process.

*“Qualified instructor”* means individuals whose training and experience adequately prepare them to carry out specified training assignments. Interpreting physicians, radiologic technologists, or medical physicists who meet the requirements of 41.6(3) would be considered qualified instructors in their respective areas of mammography. Radiological technologists who meet the requirements of 41.6(3) and have passed a state-approved mammography examination such as the examination given by the American Registry of Radiography Technologists would be considered qualified instructors in their respective areas of mammography. The examination would include, but not necessarily be limited to: breast anatomy and physiology, positioning and compression, quality assurance/quality control techniques, and imaging of patients with breast implants. Other examples of individuals who may be qualified instructors for the purpose of providing training to meet the regulations of this chapter include, but are not limited to, instructors in a post-high school training institution and manufacturers’ representatives.

“*Quality control technologist*” means an individual meeting the requirements of 41.6(5) “a”(4) who is responsible for those quality assurance responsibilities not assigned to the lead interpreting physician or to the medical physicist.

“*Radiographic equipment*” means X-ray equipment used for the production of static X-ray images.

“*Radiologic technologist*” means an individual specifically trained in the use of radiographic equipment and in the positioning of patients for radiographic examinations and who meets the requirements set forth in 41.6(3) “b.”

“*Radiologist continuing experience*” means the number of mammograms interpreted by a radiologist in the past 24-month period. For the purpose of counting, a radiologist may count the current mammographic examination and one prior mammographic examination, provided the radiologist was not the interpreter of the prior mammographic examination. A separate tally shall be kept for the prior examinations.

“*Reinstatement*” means the process of recertification of a facility that has lost or voluntarily given up previous accreditation/certification.

“*Screen-film mammography*” means mammography performed with high-detailed intensifying screen(s) in close contact with the film.

“*Screening mammography*” means X-ray breast examination of asymptomatic individuals in an attempt to detect breast cancer when it is small, nonpalpable, and confined to the breast.

“*Serious adverse event*” means an adverse event that may significantly compromise clinical outcomes or an adverse event for which a facility fails to take appropriate corrective action in a timely manner.

“*Serious complaint*” means a report of a serious adverse event.

“*Soft copy review workstation*” means a configuration of two 5 megapixel monitors used for the interpretation of full field digital mammogram images.

“*Standard breast*” means a 4.2 centimeter (cm) thick compressed breast consisting of 50 percent glandular and 50 percent adipose tissue.

“*Supplier*” means the individual in control of a mammography facility whose basic responsibility is the overall quality of all mammograms conducted in that particular facility.

“*Survey*” means an on-site physics consultation and evaluation of a facility quality assurance program performed by a medical physicist.

“*Time cycle*” means the film development time.

“*Traceable to a national standard*” means an instrument is calibrated at either the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) or at a calibration laboratory that participates in a proficiency program with NIST at least once every two years and the results of the proficiency test conducted within 24 months of calibration show agreement within  $\pm 3$  percent of the national standard in the mammography energy range.

“*Written report*” means interpreting physician’s technical narrative of a mammography evaluation.

“*Written statement*” means interpreting physician’s description of a mammography examination written in lay terms.

**41.6(2) Registration and application standards and requirements.**

*a.* Registration and certificates.

(1) Each radiation machine used to perform mammography shall be registered according to 641—subrule 39.3(2).

(2) A certificate issued by the FDA or this agency is required for lawful operation of all mammography facilities subject to the provisions of this subrule. To obtain a certificate from the FDA or this agency, facilities are required to meet the quality standards in 641—41.6(136C) and to be accredited and approved by an approved accreditation body.

*b.* Each facility wishing to perform mammography shall apply for agency approval by providing or verifying the following information for each mammography machine:

(1) The mammography unit meets the criteria for agency-approved mammography accreditation bodies.

(2) The mammography equipment and facility meet the general requirements of these rules for radiation machines.

(3) The radiation machine is specifically designed to perform mammography.

(4) The radiation machine is used according to these rules on patient radiation exposure and radiation dose levels.

(5) The radiation machine is operated by individuals meeting the requirements of this subrule.

(6) The entire mammography system is evaluated at least annually by a medical physicist.

(7) The equipment, personnel, procedures, and records are evaluated annually by a physician consultant.

(8) Provisional or reinstatement certification. A new facility beginning operation after September 30, 1994, is eligible to apply for provisional or reinstatement certification. This will enable the facility to perform mammography and to obtain the clinical images needed to complete the accreditation process. To apply for and receive provisional or reinstatement certification, a facility must meet the requirements of 641—41.6(136C). Provisional or reinstatement certification shall be effective for up to six months from the date of issuance and cannot be renewed. The facility may apply for one 90-day extension.

*c.* Suspension, revocation, or denial of mammography certification.

(1) Mammography certification may be suspended or revoked with cause if any facility or machine does not meet one or more of the standards of these rules, will not permit inspections or provide access to records or information in a timely fashion, or has been guilty of misrepresentation in obtaining the certification.

(2) The facility shall have opportunity for a hearing in connection with a denial, suspension or revocation of mammography certification in accordance with 641—Chapter 173.

(3) An emergency order suspending or revoking certification may be issued in accordance with 641—173.31(17A) if the agency finds the radiation unit or facility violates rules that seriously affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. An opportunity for hearing shall be held within 20 working days after the issuance of the order. The order shall be effective during the proceedings.

(4) If certification is revoked, the radiation machine shall not be used for mammography until reinstated.

(5) If a facility's certification is revoked, no person who owned or operated that facility at the time the act occurred may own or operate a mammography facility in Iowa within two years of the date of revocation.

*d.* Reinstatement of mammography certification after revocation.

(1) An application for reinstatement shall be submitted and processed as an initial application. Appropriate corrective actions must be submitted with the application.

(2) The agency shall inspect the radiation machine within 60 days of the approved reinstatement application.

(3) A full certificate shall be issued only after the agency has inspected the radiation machine and determined that it meets the requirements of these rules.

*e.* Inspections. The agency shall conduct an inspection of each radiation machine no later than 14 months after initial mammography certification and at least annually thereafter.

*f.* The authorization of facilities is included in the accreditation process for facilities accredited by the state of Iowa. Determination of the quality of the mammograms produced by facilities accredited by the state of Iowa will be made. To make the determination, each facility will:

(1) Provide at the time of initial accreditation, new unit installation, or reaccreditation (at least every three years) thereafter, two original (not copies) mammography examinations which meet the following criteria for the clinical image review process by the agency:

1. One mammography examination, including craniocaudal and mediolateral oblique views of each breast, of a patient with predominantly fatty breast tissue,

2. One mammography examination, including craniocaudal and mediolateral oblique views of each breast, of a patient with predominantly glandular breast tissue, and

3. Each mammography examination must have been interpreted as a "negative" or "benign" examination.

(2) Provide randomly, at the request of agency mammography inspectors, two mammography examinations (mammograms) which meet the criteria in 41.6(2)“f”(1).

(3) Provide at the time of initial accreditation, new unit installation, or reaccreditation (at least every three years) thereafter, a phantom image taken with the unit being accredited within six months of the submission date for review by the agency.

(4) Be billed the fee for the quality review process as set forth in 641—subparagraph 38.8(1)“b”(2).

(5) Be provided with a written explanation of the results of the quality review process which will accompany the returned mammograms referred to in 41.6(2)“f”(3).

g. Facilities accredited by an approved accrediting body other than the state of Iowa must be authorized by the agency. Quality determination for these facilities will be made by the agency through a phantom image provided at the time of initial authorization, new unit authorization, or reauthorization (at least every three years) thereafter, taken with the unit being accredited within six months of the submission date.

h. Federal mammography regulations. All Iowa facilities performing mammography shall comply with the applicable regulations found in 21 CFR Part 900 which has an effective date of April 28, 1999. Persons certified to perform mammography in Iowa shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the appropriate CFR regulations or Iowa administrative rules, whichever are more stringent.

i. Soft copy review workstation requirements. Soft copy review workstations used for final interpretation of mammogram images must be a configuration of two 5 megapixel monitors. The workstation must have a quality control program substantially the same as that outlined by the image receptor manufacturer’s quality control manual or that outlined by the image receptor manufacturer’s designated soft copy review workstation quality control manual.

**41.6(3) Mammography personnel.** The following requirements apply to all personnel involved in any aspect of mammography, including the production, processing, and interpretation of mammograms and related quality assurance activities:

a. *Interpreting physicians.* All radiologists interpreting mammograms shall meet the following qualifications:

(1) Initial qualifications. Unless the exemption in 41.6(3)“a”(3)“1” applies, before beginning to interpret mammograms independently, the interpreting radiologist shall:

1. Be licensed to practice medicine in Iowa;

2. Either:

- Be certified in an appropriate specialty area by a body determined by FDA to have procedures and requirements adequate to ensure that physicians certified by the body are competent to interpret radiological procedures, including mammography; or

- Have had at least three months of documented formal training in the interpretation of mammograms and in topics related to mammography. The training shall include instruction in radiation physics, including radiation physics specific to mammography, radiation effects, and radiation protection. The mammographic interpretation component shall be under the direct supervision of a radiologist who meets the requirements of 41.6(3)“a”; and

3. Have a minimum of 60 hours of documented medical education in mammography, which shall include: instruction in the interpretation of mammograms and education in basic breast anatomy, pathology, and physiology, technical aspects of mammography, and quality assurance and quality control in mammography. All 60 of these hours shall be Category 1 and at least 15 of the Category 1 hours shall have been acquired within the 36 months immediately prior to the date that the radiologist qualifies as an interpreting physician. Hours spent in residency specifically devoted to mammography will be considered as equivalent to Category 1 continuing medical education credits and will be accepted if documented in writing by the appropriate representative of the training institution;

4. Unless the exemption in 41.6(3)“a”(3)“2” applies, have interpreted or multi-read at least 240 mammographic examinations within the six-month period immediately prior to the date that the radiologist qualifies as an interpreting physician. This interpretation or multi-reading shall be under the direct supervision of an interpreting physician; and



5. Before an interpreting physician may begin independently interpreting mammograms produced by a new mammographic modality other than the modality in which the initial training was received, the interpreting physician shall have at least 8 hours of Category 1 continuing medical education credits in the new mammographic modality. An interpreting physician previously qualified to interpret full field digital mammography in another state will have six months to complete this requirement. The six-month time frame begins when the interpreting physician commences Iowa full field digital mammography interpretation.

(2) Continuing experience and education. All interpreting physicians shall maintain their qualifications by meeting the following requirements:

1. Following the second anniversary date of the end of the calendar quarter in which the requirements of 41.6(3)“a”(1) were completed, the interpreting physician shall have read or multi-read at least 960 mammographic examinations during the prior 24 months, during the 24-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 24-month period between the two. The facility will choose one of these dates to determine the 24-month period.

2. Following the third anniversary date of the end of the calendar quarter in which the requirements of 41.6(3)“a”(1) were completed, the interpreting physician shall have taught or completed at least 15 Category 1 continuing education units in mammography during the prior 36 months, during the 36-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 36-month period between the two. The facility will choose one of these dates to determine the 36-month period.

3. Units earned through teaching a specific course can be counted only once towards the 15 required by 41.6(3)“a”(2)“2” even if the course is taught multiple times during the previous 36 months.

4. Continuing qualifications must be met and a current state of Iowa medical license must be in effect whenever mammography interpretations are performed by the physician.

(3) Exemptions.

1. Those physicians who qualified as interpreting physicians under 41.6(3)“a” or FDA interim regulations prior to April 28, 1999, are considered to have met the initial requirements of 41.6(3)“a.” They may continue to interpret mammograms provided they continue to meet the licensure requirements of 41.6(3)“a”(1)“1” and the continuing experience and education requirements of this subrule.

2. Physicians who have interpreted or multi-read at least 240 mammographic examinations under the direct supervision of an interpreting physician in any six-month period during the last two years of a diagnostic radiology residency and who become appropriately board certified at the first allowable time, as defined by an eligible certifying body, are otherwise exempt from 41.6(3)“a”(1)“4.”

(4) Reestablishing qualifications. Interpreting physicians who fail to maintain the required continuing experience or continuing education requirements shall reestablish their qualifications before resuming the independent interpretation of mammograms, as follows:

1. Interpreting physicians who fail to meet the continuing experience requirements of 41.6(3)“a”(2)“1” shall:

- Interpret or multi-read at least 240 mammographic examinations under the direct supervision of an interpreting physician, or

- Interpret or multi-read a sufficient number of mammographic examinations, under the direct supervision of an interpreting physician, to bring the physician’s total to at least 960 examinations for the prior 24 months, whichever is less. The interpretations required under 41.6(3)“a”(4)“1” shall be done within the six months immediately prior to resuming independent interpretation. Consecutive or back-to-back requalification of mammography personnel, due to failure to meet continuing education or experience requirements, will be allowed once without proof of extenuating circumstances. This agency will determine the validity of such proof and render a decision after review of all pertinent information. Those individuals who are denied requalification will be allowed to resubmit for requalification following a 90-day waiting period.

2. Interpreting physicians who fail to meet the continuing education requirements of 41.6(3)“a”(2)“2” shall obtain a sufficient number of additional Category 1 continuing medical education credits in mammography to bring their total up to the required 15 credits in the previous 36 months before resuming independent interpretation.

*b. Radiologic technologists.* All mammographic examinations shall be performed by general radiographers who meet the following general requirements, mammography requirements, and continuing education and experience requirements:

(1) General requirements. Be permitted to operate as a general radiographer in Iowa; and

(2) Mammography requirements. Have qualified as a radiologic technologist under 41.6(3)“b” before April 28, 1999, or have completed at least 40 contact hours of documented training specific to mammography under the supervision of a qualified instructor after successful completion of at least a two-year radiography program. The hours of documented training shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

1. Training in breast anatomy and physiology, positioning and compression, quality assurance/quality control techniques, and imaging of patients with breast implants;

2. The performance of a minimum of 25 examinations under the direct supervision of an individual qualified under 41.6(3)“b”; and

3. Before a radiologic technologist may begin independently performing mammographic examinations using a mammographic modality other than one of those for which the technologist received training under 41.6(3)“b”(2)“3,” the technologist shall have at least 8 hours of continuing education units in the new modality. The 8 hours may not be derived from the supervised examination of patients; and

(3) Continuing education requirements.

1. Following the third anniversary date of the end of the calendar quarter in which the requirements of 41.6(3)“b”(1) and (2) were completed, the radiologic technologist shall have taught or completed at least 15 continuing education units in mammography during the prior 36 months, during the 36-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 36-month period between the two. The facility will choose one of these dates to determine the 36-month period.

2. Units earned through teaching a specific course can be counted only once towards the 15 required in 41.6(3)“b”(3)“1” even if the course is taught multiple times during the previous 36 months.

3. Requalification. A radiologic technologist who fails to meet the continuing education requirements of 41.6(3)“b”(3)“1” shall obtain a sufficient number of continuing education units in mammography to bring the total up to at least 15 in the previous 36 months. The continuing education for requalification cannot be obtained by performing supervised mammography examinations. The technologist may not resume performing unsupervised mammography examinations until the continuing education requirements are completed.

4. Continuing qualifications must be met and an Iowa permit to practice radiography must be in effect whenever mammogram procedures are performed by the radiologic technologist.

5. Only 50 percent of the total required mammography continuing education hours may be obtained through presenting, or acting as a trainer for, a continuing education or training program.

(4) Continuing experience requirements.

1. Following the second anniversary date on which the requirements of 41.6(3)“b”(1) and (2) were completed, the radiologic technologist shall have performed a minimum of 200 mammography examinations during the prior 24 months, during the 24-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 24-month period between the two. The facility will choose one of these dates to determine the 24-month period.

2. Requalification. Radiologic technologists who fail to meet the continuing experience requirements of this subrule shall perform a minimum of 25 mammography examinations under the direct supervision of a qualified radiologic technologist before resuming the performance of unsupervised mammography examinations.

3. Continuing qualifications must be met and an Iowa permit to practice radiography must be in effect whenever mammogram procedures are performed by the radiologic technologist.

(5) Consecutive or back-to-back requalification of mammography personnel, due to failure to meet continuing education or experience requirements, will be allowed once without proof of extenuating circumstances. This agency will determine the validity of such proof and render a decision after review

of all pertinent information. Those individuals who are denied requalification will be allowed to resubmit for requalification following a 90-day waiting period.

*c. Medical physicists.* All medical physicists conducting surveys of mammography facilities and providing oversight of the facility quality assurance program under 41.6(3)“c”(2) shall meet the following:

- (1) Initial qualifications.
  1. Be Iowa approved; and
  2. Have a master’s degree or higher in a physical science from an accredited institution, with no less than 20 semester hours or 30 quarter hours of college undergraduate or graduate level physics;
  3. Have 20 contact hours of documented specialized training in conducting surveys of mammography facilities; and
  4. Have experience conducting surveys in at least one mammography facility and have a total of at least 10 mammography units. No more than one survey of a specific unit within a period of 60 days can be counted towards the total mammography unit survey requirement. After April 28, 1999, experience conducting surveys must be acquired under the direct supervision of a medical physicist who meets all the requirements of this subrule; or
- (2) Alternative initial qualifications.
  1. Have qualified as a medical physicist under FDA interim regulations and have retained that qualification by maintenance of the active status of any licensure, approval, or certification required under the interim regulations; and
  2. Prior to April 28, 1999, have:
    - A bachelor’s degree or higher in a physical science from an accredited institution with no less than 10 semester hours or equivalent of college undergraduate or graduate level physics.
    - Forty contact hours of documented specialized training in conducting surveys of mammography facilities.
    - Experience conducting surveys in at least one mammography facility and have a total of at least 20 mammography units. No more than one survey of a specific unit within a period of 60 days can be counted towards the total mammography unit survey requirement. The training and experience requirements must be met after fulfilling the degree requirement.
    - At least eight hours of training in surveying units of the new mammographic modality before independently performing mammographic surveys of a new mammographic modality other than one for which the physicist received training to qualify under this subrule.
- (3) Continuing qualifications.
  1. Continuing education. Following the third anniversary date on which the requirements of 41.6(3)“c”(1) or (2) were completed, the medical physicist shall have taught or completed at least 15 continuing education units in mammography during the prior 36 months, during the 36-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 36-month period between the two. The facility shall choose one of these dates to determine the 36-month period. Units earned through teaching a specific course shall be counted only once towards the required 15 units in a 36-month period, even if the course is taught multiple times during the 36 months.
  2. Continuing experience. Following the second anniversary date on which the requirements of this subrule were completed, the medical physicist shall have surveyed at least two mammography facilities and a total of at least 6 mammography units during the prior 24 months, during the 24-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or during any 24-month period between the two. The facility shall choose one of these dates to determine the 24-month period. No more than one survey of a specific facility within a 10-month period or a specific unit within a period of 60 days shall be counted towards this requirement.
  3. Continuing qualifications must be met whenever medical physics services are provided by the medical physicist.
- (4) Reestablishing qualifications. Medical physicists who fail to maintain the required continuing qualifications of this subrule may not perform the MQSA surveys without the supervision of a qualified

medical physicist. Before independently surveying another facility, medical physicists must reestablish their qualifications as follows:

1. Medical physicists who fail to meet the continuing education requirements of this subrule shall obtain a sufficient number of continuing education units to bring their total units up to the required 15 in the previous three years.

2. Medical physicists who fail to meet the continuing experience requirements of this subrule shall complete a sufficient number of surveys under the direct supervision of a medical physicist who meets the qualifications of this subrule to bring their total surveys up to the required two facilities and 6 units in the previous 24 months. No more than one survey of a specific unit within a period of 60 days can be counted towards the total mammography unit survey requirement.

*d. Retention of personnel records.* Facilities shall maintain records to document the qualifications of all personnel who worked at the facility as interpreting physicians, general radiographers, or medical physicists. These records must be available for review by the MQSA inspectors. Records of personnel no longer employed by the facility should not be discarded until the next annual inspection has been completed and the agency has determined that the facility is in compliance with the MQSA personnel requirements.

**41.6(4) Obtaining and preserving records.**

*a.* The facility performing the current mammography examination must make all reasonable efforts to obtain the patient's recent mammography records, including original images or films, copies of written reports prepared by interpreting physicians, and other relevant information pertinent to previous mammograms that might be available from other facilities, for comparison with the current mammography records.

*b.* The facility must make, for each patient, a written report of each mammography examination performed. This report shall include:

- (1) The date the mammography procedure was performed.
- (2) The date of the interpretation.
- (3) The name of the interpreting physician.
- (4) The name of the patient and an additional patient identifier.
- (5) A description of the procedures performed.
- (6) The name of the referring physician (if any) or other physician (if any) identified by the patient to receive the interpreting physician's written report.
- (7) The date the interpreting physician's written report was sent to the appropriate physician or patient.

(8) A separate and distinct section entitled, "Assessment" with the appropriate assessment term. One of the following terms in quotations or an approved equivalent must be included in the assessment:

1. "Negative": Nothing to comment upon (if the interpreting physician is aware of clinical findings or symptoms, despite the negative assessment, these shall be explained).
2. "Benign": Also a negative assessment.
3. "Probably benign": Finding(s) has a high probability of being benign.
4. "Suspicious": Finding(s) without all the characteristic morphology of breast cancer but indicating a definite probability of being malignant.
5. "Highly suggestive of malignancy": Finding(s) has a high probability of being malignant.
6. "Incomplete: Need additional imaging evaluation" shall be assigned as an assessment in cases where no final assessment category can be assigned due to incomplete workup, and reasons why no assessment can be made shall be stated by the interpreting physician.

(9) Recommendations made to the health care provider about what additional actions, if any, should be taken. All clinical questions raised by the referring health care provider shall be addressed in the report to the extent possible, even if the assessment is negative or benign.

*c. Preservation of records.*

(1) The facility must provide satisfactory assurances (as documented in its medical records) that the images or films of the first and subsequent mammography procedures and the related written reports of the interpreting physician for each patient are either placed in the patient's medical record kept by the

facility or sent for placement in the patient's medical record as directed by the patient's physician or the patient.

(2) Records retained by the facility must be retained for at least 60 calendar months following the date of service, as long as the patient continues consecutive mammograms. If no additional mammograms of the patient are performed, the records must be retained for at least ten years.

(3) If the facility should cease to exist before the end of the retention period, the records must be transferred to the patient or patient's physician or other mammographic facility.

(4) The facility shall upon request by, or on behalf of, the patient, permanently or temporarily, transfer the original mammograms and copies of the patient's reports to a medical institution, or to a physician or health care provider of the patient, or to the patient directly.

(5) Any fee charged to the patient for providing the services in subparagraph (4) above shall not exceed the documented costs associated with this service.

*d.* Communication of results to the patient. Each facility shall maintain a system to ensure that the results of each mammographic examination are communicated in lay terms to each patient in a time period not to exceed 30 days from the date of the mammography examination. If assessments are "Suspicious" or "Highly suggestive of malignancy" and the patient has not named a health care provider, the facility shall make reasonable attempts to ensure that the results are communicated to the patient as soon as possible.

(1) As soon as possible, but no later than 30 days from the date of the mammography examination, patients who do not name a health care provider to receive the mammography report shall be sent the report described in 41.6(4)"e"(1) in addition to a written notification of results in lay terms.

(2) Each facility that accepts patients who do not have a primary care provider shall maintain a system for referring such patients to a health care provider when clinically indicated.

*e.* Communication of results to health care providers. When the patient has a referring health care provider or the patient has named a health care provider, the facility shall:

(1) Provide a written report of the mammography examination, including all of the items listed in 41.6(4)"b," to the health care provider as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days from the date of the examination, and

(2) If the assessment is "Suspicious" or "Highly suggestive of malignancy," make reasonable attempts to communicate with the health care provider as soon as possible or, if the health care provider is unavailable, to a responsible designee of the health care provider.

*f.* Mammographic image identification. Each mammographic image shall have the following information indicated on it in a permanent, legible, and unambiguous manner and placed so as not to obscure anatomic structures:

(1) Name of patient and an additional patient identifier.

(2) Date of examination.

(3) View and laterality. This information shall be placed on the image in a position near the axilla. Standardized codes specified by the accreditation body and approved by the FDA shall be used to identify view and laterality.

(4) Facility name and location. At a minimum, the location shall include the city, state, and ZIP code of the facility.

(5) Technologist identification.

(6) Cassette/screen identification.

(7) Mammography unit identification, if there is more than one unit in the facility.

**41.6(5) Quality assurance program.**

*a.* The facility shall ensure that the facility has an equipment quality assurance program specific to mammography and covering all components of the system to ensure consistently high-quality images with minimum patient exposure. Responsibility for the quality assurance program and for each of its elements shall be assigned to individuals who are qualified for their assignments and who shall be allowed adequate time to perform these duties.

(1) Lead interpreting physician. The facility shall identify a lead interpreting physician who shall have the general responsibility of ensuring that the quality assurance program meets all requirements

of these rules. No other individual shall be assigned or shall retain responsibility for quality assurance tasks unless the lead interpreting physician has determined that the individual's qualifications for, and performance of, the assignment are adequate.

(2) Interpreting physicians. All interpreting physicians interpreting mammograms for the facility shall:

1. Follow the facility procedures for corrective action when the images they are asked to interpret are of poor quality, and

2. Participate in the facility's medical outcomes audit program.

(3) Medical physicist. Each facility shall have the services of a medical physicist available to survey mammography equipment and oversee the equipment-related quality assurance practices of the facility. At a minimum, the medical physicist(s) shall be responsible for performing the surveys and mammography equipment evaluations and providing the facility with the applicable reports.

(4) Quality control technologist. Responsibility for all individual tasks within the quality assurance program not assigned to the lead interpreting physician or the medical physicist shall be assigned to a quality control technologist(s). The tasks are to be performed by the quality control technologist or by other personnel qualified to perform the tasks. When other personnel are utilized for these tasks, the quality control technologist shall ensure that the tasks are completed in such a way as to meet the requirements of 41.6(5) "e" through "k."

b. The facility shall ensure that a general review of the program is conducted at least annually and have available the services of a qualified medical physicist who is capable of establishing and conducting the program.

c. Under the direction of the lead interpreting physician, the medical physicist shall have responsibility for establishing and conducting the equipment quality assurance program. The program shall include:

(1) Conducting or training others to conduct equipment performance monitoring functions.

(2) Analyzing the monitoring results to determine if there are any problems requiring correction.

(3) Ensuring that the facility has procedures in place for carrying out or arranging for the necessary corrective actions as well as for the calibrations and other preventive maintenance.

d. Calibration of equipment. All variable parameters of the equipment shall be calibrated:

(1) When the equipment is first installed.

(2) After any major changes or replacement of parts.

(3) At least annually during use based on recommendations of the mammography imaging medical physicist.

(4) When quality assurance tests indicate that calibration is needed.

e. Performance monitoring. The supplier shall routinely ensure that the performance of the mammography system is monitored. The parameters to be monitored for film-screen mammography shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Processor performance (through daily sensitometric-densitometric means).

(2) Half-value layer.

(3) Output reproducibility and linearity.

(4) Automatic exposure control reproducibility and linearity.

(5) Adequacy of film storage (both before use and after exposure if processing does not occur immediately).

(6) Availability and use of technique charts that shall include an indication of the kV-target-filter combination to be used with each image receptor.

(7) Darkroom integrity, to be performed at least semiannually or when conditions have changed, shall include an inspection for light leaks, a fog test, and a safe light test.

(8) Image quality. The minimum image quality achieved at a mammography facility shall be the ability to observe the image of at least four 0.75-mm fibrils, three 0.32-mm speck groups, and three 0.75-mm masses from an FDA-approved phantom (or equivalent) on the standard mammographic film used at the facility. No mammograms shall be performed if this minimum is not met.

f. Frequency of monitoring.

- (1) Processor performance shall be accomplished daily before processing patient films.
- (2) Image quality shall be monitored at least weekly with a phantom and every time the unit is altered including the replacement of parts.

- (3) All other parameters shall be proportional to the expected variability of each parameter, but at least annually.

*g.* Evaluation of monitoring results. Full field digital mammography units must comply with the quality control test requirements outlined by the performance criteria in the appropriate manufacturer's quality control manual.

- (1) Standards of image quality giving acceptable ranges of values for each of the parameters tested shall be established to aid in the evaluation. The standards of image quality related to dose shall include a requirement that the mean glandular dose for one craniocaudal view of a 4.2 cm compressed breast (50 percent adipose/50 percent glandular) or equivalent phantom shall not exceed 100 millirad for film-screen units with no grids, 300 millirad for film-screen units with grids, or 300 millirad for full field digital units.

- (2) The monitoring results shall be compared routinely by the facility staff to the standards of image quality in 41.6(5) "k." If the results fall outside the acceptable range, the test shall be repeated. For film-screen mammography, if the results continue to be unacceptable, the source of the problem shall be identified and corrected before further examinations are conducted. For full field digital mammography, if any test results fall outside the performance criteria range listed for the unit, specific actions as directed in the appropriate quality control manual shall be followed.

*h.* Retake analysis program—film-screen and full field digital.

- (1) A program shall be established as a further aid in detecting and correcting problems affecting image quality or exposure.

- (2) All retakes shall be logged including date, technologist's name and reason for retake. A retake analysis shall be performed every 250 patients or quarterly, whichever comes first. If more than 250 mammograms are performed in one week, weekly analysis is acceptable.

- (3) If the total repeat or reject rate changes from the previously determined rate by more than 2.0 percent of the total films included in the analysis, the reason(s) for the change shall be determined. Any corrective actions shall be recorded and the results of these corrective actions shall be assessed.

*i.* Medical outcomes audit. Each facility shall establish a system for reviewing outcome data from all mammography performed, including follow-up on the disposition of positive mammograms and correlation of surgical biopsy results with the interpreting physician's findings. This program shall be designed to ensure the reliability, clarity, and accuracy of the interpretation of mammograms.

- (1) Analysis of these outcome data shall be made individually and collectively for all interpreting physicians at the facility. In addition, any cases of breast cancer among women imaged at the facility that subsequently become known to the facility shall prompt the facility to initiate follow-up on surgical and pathology results, or both, and review of the mammograms taken prior to the diagnosis of a malignancy. Responsibility for each requirement for monitoring shall be assigned to qualified personnel and documented in the facility's records.

- (2) Frequency of audit analysis. The facility's first audit analysis shall be initiated no later than 12 months after the date the facility becomes certified, or 12 months after April 28, 1999, whichever date is the latest. This audit analysis shall be completed within an additional 12 months to permit completion of diagnostic procedures and data collection. Subsequent audit analyses will be conducted at least once every 12 months.

- (3) Reviewing interpreting physician. Each facility shall designate at least one interpreting physician to review the medical outcomes audit data at least once every 12 months. This individual shall record the dates of the audit period(s) and shall be responsible for analyzing results based on this audit. This individual shall also be responsible for documenting the results and notifying other interpreting physicians of the results and the facility aggregate results. If follow-up actions are taken, the reviewing interpreting physician shall also be responsible for documenting the nature of the follow-up. The reviewing physician shall sign the medical audit as proof of the evaluation of the data.

*j.* Quality assurance records. The lead interpreting physician, quality control technologist, and medical physicist shall ensure that records concerning employee qualifications to meet assigned quality

assurance tasks, mammography technique and procedures, quality control (including monitoring data, problems detected by analysis of that data, corrective actions, and the effectiveness of the corrective actions), safety, and protection are properly maintained and updated. These quality control records shall be kept for each test specified in these rules until the next annual inspection has been completed and the facility is in compliance with the quality assurance requirements or until the test has been performed two additional times at the required frequency, whichever is longer.

*k.* Quality assurance—equipment.

(1) Daily quality control tests. Film processors used to develop mammograms shall be adjusted and maintained to meet the technical development specifications for the mammography film in use. A processor performance test shall be performed on each day that clinical films are processed before any clinical films are processed that day. The test shall include an assessment of base plus fog density, mid-density, and density difference, using the mammography film used clinically at the facility.

1. The base plus fog density shall be below plus 0.03 of the established operating level.
2. The mid-density shall be within plus or minus 0.15 of the established operating level.
3. The density difference shall be within plus or minus 0.15 of the established operating level.

(2) Weekly quality control tests. Facilities with screen-film systems shall perform an image quality evaluation test, using an FDA-approved phantom, at least weekly.

1. The optical density of the film at the center of an image of a standard FDA-accepted phantom shall be at least 1.20 when exposed under a typical clinical condition.

2. The optical density of the film at the center of the phantom image shall not change by more than plus or minus 0.20 from the established operating level.

3. The phantom image shall achieve at least the minimum score established by the accreditation body and accepted by the FDA.

4. The density difference between the background of the phantom and an added test object used to assess image contrast shall be measured and shall not vary by more than plus or minus 0.05 from the established operating level.

(3) Quarterly quality control tests. Facilities with screen-film systems shall perform the following quality control tests at least quarterly:

- Fixer retention in film. The residual fixer shall be no more than 5 micrograms per square centimeter.

(4) Semiannual quality control tests. Facilities with screen-film systems shall perform the following quality control tests at least semiannually:

1. Darkroom fog. The optical density attributable to darkroom fog shall not exceed 0.05 when a mammography film of the type used in the facility, which has a mid-density of no less than 1.2 OD, is exposed to typical darkroom conditions for two minutes while such film is placed on the countertop emulsion side up. If the darkroom has a safelight used for mammography film, it shall be on during this test.

2. Screen-film contact. Testing for screen-film contact shall be conducted using 40 mesh copper screen. All cassettes used in the facility for mammography shall be tested.

3. Compression device performance. The maximum compression force for the initial power drive shall be between 25 pounds (111 newtons) and 45 pounds (200 newtons).

(5) Annual quality control tests. Facilities with screen-film systems shall perform the following quality control tests at least annually:

1. Automatic exposure control (AEC) performance.

- The AEC shall be capable of maintaining film optical density (OD) within plus or minus 0.15 of the mean optical density when thickness of a homogenous material is varied over a range of 2 to 6 centimeters and the kVp is varied appropriately for such thicknesses over the kVp range used clinically in the facility.

- The optical density of the film in the center of the phantom image shall not be less than 1.20.

2. kVp accuracy and reproducibility.



- The kVp shall be accurate within plus or minus 5 percent of the indicated or selected kVp at the lowest clinical kVp that can be measured by a kVp test device, the most commonly used clinical kVp, and the highest available clinical kVp.
  - At the most commonly used clinical settings of kVp, the coefficient of variation of reproducibility of the kVp shall be equal to or less than 0.02.
3. Focal spot condition. Facilities shall evaluate focal spot condition only by determining the system resolution.
- Each X-ray system used for mammography, in combination with the mammography screen-film combination used in the facility, shall provide a minimum resolution of 11 cycles/millimeters (mm) (line-pairs/mm) when a high contrast resolution bar test pattern is oriented with the bars perpendicular to the anode-cathode axis, and a minimum resolution of 13 line-pairs/mm when the bars are parallel to that axis.
  - The bar pattern shall be placed 4.5 centimeters above the breast support surface, centered with respect to the chest wall edge of the image receptor, and with the edge of the pattern within 1 centimeter of the chest wall edge of the image receptor.
  - When more than one target material is provided, the measurement above shall be made using the appropriate focal spot for each target material.
  - When more than one SID is provided, the test shall be performed at the SID most commonly used clinically.
  - Test kVp shall be set at the value used clinically by the facility for a standard breast and shall be performed in the AEC mode, if available. If necessary, a suitable absorber may be placed in the beam to increase exposure times. The screen-film cassette combination used by the facility shall be used to test for this requirement and shall be placed in the normal location used for clinical procedures.
  - Focal spot dimensions. Measured values of the focal spot length (dimension parallel to the anode-cathode axis) and width (dimension perpendicular to the anode-cathode axis) shall be within tolerance limits specified in Table 1.

Table 1

Focal Spot Tolerance Limit Nominal Focal Spot Size (mm)	Maximum Measured Dimensions Width (mm)	Length (mm)
0.10	0.15	0.15
0.15	0.23	0.23
0.20	0.30	0.30
0.30	0.45	0.65
0.40	0.60	0.85
0.60	0.90	1.30

4. Beam quality and half-value layer (HVL). The HVL shall meet the specification of 41.1(4) and 41.1(6) for the minimum HVL. These values, extrapolated to the mammographic range, are shown in Table 2. Values not shown in Table 2 may be determined by linear interpolation or extrapolation.

Table 2

X-ray Tube Voltage (kilovolt peak) and Minimum HVL Designed Operating Range (kV) Below 50	
Measured Operating Voltage (kV)	Minimum HVL (millimeters of aluminum)
20	0.20
25	0.25
30	0.30

5. Breast entrance air kerma and AEC reproducibility. The coefficient of variation for both air kerma and mAs shall not exceed 0.05.

6. Dosimetry. The average glandular dose delivered during a single cranio-caudal view of an FDA-accepted phantom simulating a standard breast shall not exceed 0.3 rad (3.0 milligray (mGy)) per exposure. The dose shall be determined with technique factors and conditions used clinically for a standard breast.

7. X-ray field/light field/image receptor/compression paddle alignment.

- All systems shall have beam-limiting devices that allow the entire chest wall edge of the X-ray field to extend to the chest wall edge of the image receptor and provide means to ensure that the X-ray field does not extend beyond any edge of the image receptor by more than 2 percent of the SID.

- The chest wall edge of the compression paddle shall not extend beyond the chest wall edge of the image receptor by more than 1 percent of the SID when tested with the compression paddle placed above the breast support surface at a distance equivalent to standard breast thickness. The shadow of the vertical edge of the compression paddle shall be not be visible on the image.

8. Uniformity of screen speed. Uniformity of screen speed of all the cassettes in the facility shall be tested and the difference between the maximum and minimum optical densities shall not exceed 0.30. Screen artifacts shall also be evaluated during this test.

9. System artifacts. System artifacts shall be evaluated with a high-grade, defect-free sheet of homogeneous material large enough to cover the mammography cassette and shall be performed for all cassette sizes used in the facility using a grid appropriate for the cassette size being tested. System artifacts shall also be evaluated for all available focal spot sizes and target filter combinations used clinically.

10. Radiation output.

- The system shall be capable of producing a minimum output of 800 milliRoentgen (mR) per second (7.0 mGy air kerma per second) when operating at 28 kVp in the standard (moly/moly) mammography mode at any SID where the system is designed to operate and when measured by a detector with its center located 4.5 centimeters above the breast support surface with the compression paddle in place between the source and the detector.

- The system shall be capable of maintaining the required minimum radiation output averaged over a 3.0 second period.

11. Decompression. If the system is equipped with a provision for automatic decompression after completion of an exposure or interruption of power to the system, the system shall be tested to confirm that it provides:

- An override capability to allow maintenance of compression;
- A continuous display of the override status; and
- A manual emergency compression release that can be activated in the event of power or automatic release failure.

(6) Quality control tests—other modalities. For systems with image receptor modalities other than screen-film, the quality assurance program shall be substantially the same as the quality assurance program recommended by the image receptor manufacturer, except that the maximum allowable dose shall not exceed the maximum allowable dose for screen-film systems in 41.6(5) “k”(5)“6.”

(7) Use of test results.

1. After completion of the tests specified in 41.6(5) “k,” the facility shall compare the test results to the corresponding specified action limits; or, for non-screen-film modalities, to the manufacturer’s recommended action limits; or, for post-move, preexamination testing of mobile units, to the limits established in the test method used by the facility.

2. If the test results fall outside the action limits, the source of the problem shall be identified, and corrective actions shall be taken before any further examinations are performed or any films are processed using the component of the mammography system that failed the test, if the failed test was that described in 41.6(5) “k.”

3. Full field digital unit corrective actions shall be made as prescribed in the appropriate manufacturer's quality control manual or in accordance with the appropriate FDA-approved alternative requirements.

(8) Surveys.

1. At least once a year, each facility shall undergo a survey by a medical physicist or by an individual under the direct supervision of a medical physicist. At a minimum, this survey shall include the performance of tests to ensure that the facility meets the quality assurance requirements of the annual tests described in 41.6(5) "k"(5) and (6), the weekly phantom image quality test described in 41.6(5) "k"(2) and the quarterly retake analysis results described in 41.6(5) "h."

2. The results of all tests conducted by the facility in accordance with 41.6(5) "k"(1) through (7) for film-screen units, as well as written documentation of any corrective actions taken and their results, shall be evaluated for adequacy by the medical physicist performing the survey. Surveys of full field digital mammography units shall be conducted as described in the appropriate manufacturer's quality control manual. The results of the tests, any corrective actions taken and their results shall be evaluated for adequacy by the medical physicist performing the survey.

3. The medical physicist shall prepare a survey report that includes a summary of this review and recommendations for necessary improvements.

4. The survey report shall be sent to the facility within 30 days of the date of the survey.

5. The survey report shall be dated and signed by the medical physicist performing or supervising the survey. If the survey was performed entirely or in part by another individual under the direct supervision of the medical physicist, that individual and the part of the survey that individual performed shall also be identified in the survey report.

(9) Mammography equipment evaluations. Additional evaluations of mammography units or image processors or any other applicable mammography system ancillary parts shall be conducted at new installations, at disassembly, at reassembly, at the same or a new location, or when major components are changed or repaired. These evaluations shall be used to determine whether the new or changed equipment meets the requirements of applicable standards in 41.6(5) and 41.6(6). All problems shall be corrected before the new or changed equipment is put into service for examinations or film processing. The mammography equipment evaluation shall be performed by a medical physicist or by an individual under the direct supervision of an Iowa-approved medical physicist.

(10) Facility cleanliness.

1. The facility shall establish and implement adequate protocols for maintaining darkroom, screen, and viewbox cleanliness.

2. The facility shall document that all cleaning procedures are performed at the frequencies specified in the protocols.

(11) Calibration of air kerma measuring instruments. Instruments used by medical physicists in their annual survey to measure the air kerma or air kerma rate from a mammography unit shall be calibrated at least once every two years and each time the instrument is repaired. The instrument calibration must be traceable to a national standard and calibrated with an accuracy of plus or minus 6 percent (95 percent confidence level) in the mammography energy range.

(12) Infection control. Facilities shall establish and comply with a system specifying procedures to be followed by the facility for cleaning and disinfecting mammography equipment after contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials. This system shall specify the methods for documenting facility compliance with the infection control procedures established and shall:

1. Comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations pertaining to infection control; and

2. Comply with the manufacturer's recommended procedures for the cleaning and disinfecting of the mammography equipment used in the facility; or

3. If adequate manufacturer's recommendations are not available, comply with generally accepted guidance on infection control, until such recommendations become available.

l. Mammography procedures and techniques for mammography of patients with breast implants.

(1) Each facility shall have a procedure to inquire whether or not the patient has breast implants prior to the actual mammographic examination.

(2) Except where contraindicated, or unless modified by a physician's directions, patients with breast implants undergoing mammography shall have mammographic views to maximize the visualization of breast tissue.

*m.* Consumer complaint mechanism. Each facility shall:

(1) Establish a written and documented system for collecting and resolving consumer complaints;

(2) Maintain a record of each serious complaint received by the facility for at least three years from the date the complaint was received;

(3) Provide the consumer with adequate directions for filing serious complaints with the facility's accreditation body and any other appropriate regulatory entity if the facility is unable to resolve a serious complaint to the consumer's satisfaction.

(4) Report unresolved serious complaints to the accreditation body in a manner and time frame specified by the accreditation body.

*n.* Clinical image quality. Clinical images produced by any certified facility must continue to comply with the standards for clinical image quality established by that facility's accreditation body.

*o.* Additional mammography review and patient notification.

(1) If the agency believes that mammography quality at a facility has been compromised and may present a serious risk to human health, the facility shall provide clinical images and other relevant information, as specified by the agency, for review by the accreditation body or other entity designated by the agency. This additional mammography review will help the agency to determine whether the facility is in compliance with rule 641—41.6(136C) and, if not, whether there is a need to notify affected patients, their physicians, or the public that the reliability, clarity, and accuracy of interpretation of mammograms has been compromised.

(2) If the agency determines that any activity related to the provision of mammography at a facility may present a serious risk to human health such that patient notification is necessary, the facility shall notify patients or their designees, their physicians, or the public of action that may be taken to minimize the effects of the risk. Such notification shall occur within a time frame and a manner specified by the agency.

**41.6(6) Equipment standards.** The equipment used to perform mammography shall meet the following standards:

*a.* Design: Be specifically designed for mammography. This prohibits systems that have been modified or equipped with special attachments for mammography.

*b.* Performance standards: Meet the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) performance standards for diagnostic X-ray systems and their major components found in 21 CFR 1020.30 and FDA standards for radiographic equipment in 21 CFR 1020.31.

*c.* Image receptor systems: Have image receptor systems and individual components which are appropriate for mammography and used according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

(1) Systems using screen-film image receptors shall provide, at a minimum, for operation for image receptors of 18 × 24 centimeters and 24 × 30 centimeters.

(2) Systems using screen-film image receptors shall be equipped with moving grids matched to all image receptor sizes provided.

(3) Systems used for magnification procedures shall be capable of operation with the grid removed from between the source and image receptor.

*d.* Light fields: For any system with a light beam that passes through the X-ray beam-limiting device, the light shall provide an average illumination of not less than 160 lux (15 foot candles) at 100 centimeters or the maximum source-image receptor distance (SID), whichever is less.

*e.* Magnification:

(1) Systems used to perform noninterventional problem-solving procedures shall have radiographic magnification capability available for use by the operator.

(2) Systems used for magnification procedures shall provide, at a minimum, at least one magnification value within the range of 1.4 to 2.0.

*f.* Tube-image receptor assembly:

(1) The assembly shall be capable of being fixed in any position where it is designed to operate. Once fixed in any such position, it shall not undergo unintended motion.

(2) The mechanism ensuring compliance with this subrule shall not fail in the event of power interruption.

*g.* Film/screen contact: Shall check film/screen contact when cassettes are first placed into use and semiannually thereafter.

*h.* Focal spot: The focal spot size, magnification factor and source to image receptor distance (SID) shall be appropriate for mammography and in the ranges shown below:

SID	Nominal Focal Spot Size
> 65 cm	< or = to 0.6 mm
50 to 65 cm	< or = to 0.5 mm
< 50 cm	< or = to 0.4 mm

(1) When more than one focal spot is provided, the system shall indicate, prior to exposure, which focal spot is selected.

(2) When more than one target material is provided, the system shall indicate, prior to exposure, the preselected target material.

(3) When the target material or focal spot, or both, is selected by a system algorithm that is based on the exposure or on a test exposure, the system shall display, after the exposure, the target material or focal spot, or both, actually used during the exposure.

*i.* Compression devices: Shall have compression devices parallel to the imaging plane and able to immobilize and compress the breast with a force of at least 25 pounds per square inch and shall be capable of maintaining this compression for at least three seconds. Effective October 28, 2002, each system shall provide:

(1) An initial power-driven compression activated by hands-free controls operable from both sides of the patient; and

(2) Fine adjustment compression controls operable from both sides of the patient.

(3) Systems shall be equipped with different sized compression paddles that match the sizes of all full field image receptors provided for the system. Compression paddles for special purposes, including those smaller than the full size of the image receptor (for "spot compression"), may be provided. Such compression paddles for special purposes are not subject to 41.6(6) "i"(6) and (7).

(4) Except as provided in 41.6(6) "i"(5), the compression paddle shall be flat and parallel to the breast support table and shall not deflect from parallel by more than 1.0 cm at any point on the surface of the compression paddle when compression is applied.

(5) Equipment intended by the manufacturer's design not to be flat and parallel to the breast support table during compression shall meet the manufacturer's design specifications and maintenance requirements.

(6) The chest wall edge of the compression paddle shall be straight and parallel to the edge of the image receptor.

(7) The chest wall edge may be bent upward to allow for patient comfort but shall not appear on the image.

*j.* Grids: Shall have the capability for using antiscatter grids.

*k.* AEC: Shall have automatic exposure control such that:

(1) Each screen-film system shall provide an AEC mode that is operable in all combinations of equipment configuration provided, e.g., grid, nongrid; magnification, nonmagnification; and various target-filter combinations.

(2) The positioning or selection of the detector shall permit flexibility in the placement of the detector under the target tissue.

- The size and available positions of the detector shall be clearly indicated at the X-ray input surface of the breast compression paddle.

- The selected position of the detector shall be clearly indicated.
  - (3) The system shall provide means for the operator to vary the selected optical density from the normal (zero) setting.
    - l.* Control panel: Shall have a control panel that:
      - (1) Gives a positive indication when X-rays are being produced.
      - (2) Gives an audible signal indicating termination of exposure.
      - (3) Has manual selection of milliampere seconds (mAs) or at least one of its component parts (milliampere (mA) or time, or both).
      - (4) Has the technique factors (peak tube potential in kilovolts (kV) and either tube current in mA and exposure time in seconds or the product of tube current and exposure time in mAs) to be used during an exposure indicated before the exposure begins, except when AEC is used, in which case the technique factors that are set prior to the exposure shall be indicated.
      - (5) Has a system that, following AEC mode use, shall indicate the actual kilovoltage peak (kVp) and mAs used during the exposure.
    - m.* mAs: Shall indicate, or provide a means of determining, the mAs resulting from each exposure made with automatic exposure control.
    - n.* Viewboxes: Shall have a viewbox that is checked periodically to ensure optimal conditions. When the mammogram is placed on the viewbox, the area surrounding the film must be masked to exclude extraneous light which may reduce image contrast.
    - o.* X-ray film: Shall use X-ray film that has been designated by the film manufacturer as appropriate for mammography and that is matched to the screen's spectral output as specified by the manufacturer.
    - p.* Intensifying screens: Shall use intensifying screens that have been designated by the screen manufacturer as appropriate for mammography.
    - q.* Chemicals: Shall use chemical solutions for processing mammography films that are capable of developing the films in a manner equivalent to the minimum requirements specified by the film manufacturer.
    - r.* Hot-lights: Shall make special lights for film illumination, i.e., hot-lights, capable of producing light levels greater than that provided by the viewbox, available to the interpreting physicians.
    - s.* Masking devices: Shall ensure that film masking devices that can limit the illuminated area to a region equal to or smaller than the exposed portion of the film are available to all interpreting physicians interpreting for the facility.
    - t.* Mobile units and vans—film-screen.
      - (1) A phantom image shall be produced, processed, and evaluated after each relocation and prior to examinations being conducted.
      - (2) If processing is not available, a check of the radiation output shall be made and compared to a preset standard for quality. Equipment shall be recalibrated as necessary to maintain quality of phantom image.
    - u.* Mobile units and vans—full field digital. Appropriate manufacturer's quality control manual procedures and criteria shall be met.
- 41.6(7) *Safety standards for mammography equipment.***
- a.* Proper safety precautions shall be maintained and shall include, but not be limited to, adequate shielding for patients, personnel, and facilities. The equipment shall be operated only from a shielded position.
  - b.* Equipment operators shall be monitored in accordance with 641—40.37(136C).
  - c.* Annual inspections shall be conducted by an inspector from the agency to ensure compliance with these rules. Identified hazards shall be promptly corrected.
  - d.* Equipment shall be shockproof and grounded to protect against electrical hazards.
  - e.* Records of all inspections, reports, and consultations shall be maintained for at least seven years.

RULE 41.6(136C)—APPENDIX I  
Rescinded IAB 4/5/00, effective 5/10/00

RULE 41.6(136C)—APPENDIX II  
Glandular Dose (in mrad) for 1 Roentgen Entrance Exposure  
4.5-cm Breast Thickness—50% Adipose/50% Glandular Breast Tissue\*

HVL	Mo/Mo Target Filter X-Ray Voltage (kVp)											W/AI Target Filter Combination	
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33		
0.23	109												
0.24	113	116											
0.25	117	120	122										
0.26	121	124	126	128									
0.27	126	128	130	132	134								
0.28	130	132	134	136	138	139							
0.29	135	137	139	141	142	143	144						
0.30	139	141	143	145	146	147	148	149					170
0.31	144	146	147	149	150	151	152	153	154				175
0.32	148	150	151	153	154	155	156	158	159	160	160		180
0.33	153	154	155	157	158	159	160	162	163	164	164		185
0.34	157	159	160	161	162	163	164	166	167	168	168		190
0.35		163	164	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	172		194
0.36			168	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	176		199
0.37				174	175	176	177	178	178	179	180		204
0.38					179	180	181	182	182	183	184		208
0.39						184	185	186	186	187	188		213
0.40							189	190	191	192	192		217
0.41								194	195	196	196		221
0.42										200	200		225
0.43											204		230
0.44													234
0.45													238

To convert from entrance exposure in air in Roentgen to mean glandular breast dose in millirads, multiply the entrance exposure by the factor shown in the table for the appropriate kVp and beam quality (HVL) combination. For example, a measured entrance exposure of 0.50 Roentgen from a Mo/Mo Target Filter system at 30 kVp with a measured HVL of 0.36-mm aluminum yields an average glandular dose of  $(0.50 \text{ R}) \times (174 \text{ mrad/R}) = 87 \text{ mrad}$  or 0.87 mGy.

\*Wu X. Breast dosimetry in screen-film mammography. In: Barnes GT, Frey GD (eds), Screen film mammography: Imaging considerations and medical physics responsibilities. Madison, WI: Medical Physics Publishing; 159-175, 1991. W/AI conversion factors are derived from fits to data from Stanton L et al. Dosage evaluation in mammography. Radiology 1984; 150:577-584.

**641—41.7(136C) X-ray machines used for stereotactically guided breast biopsy.**

**41.7(1) Definitions.** In addition to the definitions provided in rules 641—38.2(136C), 641—40.2(136C), and 641—41.1(136C), the following definitions are applicable to this rule.

“*Collaborative setting*” means a setting in which a qualified radiologist and surgeon (under 41.7(3)“a” or 41.7(3)“c”) are working together in consultation and in performing stereotactically guided breast biopsies with a common goal of the patient’s benefit.

“*Procedure*” means a stereotactically guided breast biopsy performed on a patient for diagnostic purposes.

“*Qualified training physician*” means a physician who is qualified under 41.7(3) to perform stereotactically guided breast biopsies and who has performed at least 24 procedures.

“*Stereotactically guided breast biopsy*” means a breast biopsy procedure performed with the utilization of a dedicated system which emits ionizing radiation and is designed specifically for that procedure.

“*Supervising physician*” means the physician designated by the facility/owner to:

1. Evaluate the equipment, personnel, procedures, and records annually; and
2. Establish and conduct the quality assurance program.

**41.7(2) Registration and application standards and requirements.**

a. Each radiation machine used to perform stereotactically guided breast biopsies shall be registered according to 641—subrule 39.3(2).

b. Each facility wishing to perform stereotactically guided breast biopsies shall apply to the agency for authorization by providing or verifying the following information for each machine:

(1) The stereotactically guided breast biopsy equipment and facility meet the general requirements of these rules for radiation machines.

(2) The radiation machine is specifically designed to perform stereotactically guided breast biopsies.

(3) The radiation machine is used according to these rules on patient radiation exposure and radiation dose levels.

(4) The radiation machine is operated by individuals meeting the requirements of this rule.

(5) The entire stereotactically guided breast biopsy system is evaluated annually by a medical physicist who meets the requirements of this rule.

(6) The equipment, personnel, procedures and records are evaluated annually by the supervising physician.

c. Suspension, revocation, or denial of authorization.

(1) Authorization may be suspended or revoked with cause if any machine does not meet one or more of the standards of these rules.

(2) The facility shall have an opportunity for a hearing in connection with a denial, suspension, or revocation of authorization.

(3) An emergency order suspending or revoking authorization may be issued if the agency finds the radiation machine or facility violates rules that seriously affect the health, safety and welfare of the public. An opportunity for hearing shall be held within 20 working days after the issuance of the order. The order shall be effective during the proceedings.

(4) If authorization is revoked, the radiation machine shall not be used until reinstated.

d. Reinstatement of authorization.

(1) An application for reinstatement shall be submitted and processed the same as an initial application.

(2) The agency shall inspect the radiation machine within 60 days of the approved reinstatement application. If the reinstatement is after a revocation, appropriate corrective action shall be submitted with the application.

(3) A full reinstatement shall be issued only after the agency has inspected the radiation machine and facility and determined that they meet the requirements of these rules.

e. Inspections. The agency shall conduct an inspection of each radiation machine no later than 14 months after initial authorization and at least annually thereafter.

**41.7(3) Physicians.** Physicians must be qualified according to the setting and their role in performing stereotactically guided breast biopsies as outlined below.

a. Requirements for a radiologist in a collaborative setting are as follows:



- (1) Initial training and qualifications.
  1. Must be qualified according to 41.6(3)“a.”
  2. Shall have performed at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies prior to July 1, 1998, or at least 3 hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsies under a physician who is qualified under 41.7(3) and has performed at least 24 stereotactically guided breast biopsies.
  3. Shall have at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy.
  4. Shall be responsible for mammographic interpretation, be experienced as noted in 41.7(3)“a”(1)“2” above and be experienced in the specific recommendations for each biopsy and lesion identification at time of each biopsy performed by that physician.
  5. Shall be responsible for the supervision of the radiologic technologist during the procedure.
- (2) Maintenance of proficiency and CME requirements.
  1. Perform at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies per year . If experience is not maintained, the physician must requalify by performing 3 procedures under direct supervision of a qualified training physician or an agency-approved manufacturer applications specialist before resuming unsupervised procedures.
  2. Obtain at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy every 36 months. If education is not maintained, the physician must requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months before resuming unsupervised procedures. These CMEs cannot be obtained by the performance of supervised procedures.
  3. Continuing qualifications must be met and a current state of Iowa medical license must be in effect whenever procedures are performed independently by the physician.
    - b. Requirements for a physician other than a qualified radiologist in a collaborative setting are as follows:
      - (1) Initial training and qualifications.
        1. Must be licensed to practice medicine in Iowa.
        2. Must have at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy which includes instruction on triangulation for lesion location.
        3. Must have performed at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies prior to May 9, 2001, or at least 3 hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy procedures under a physician who is both qualified to perform stereotactic biopsy procedures according to 41.7(3) and has performed at least 24 stereotactically guided breast biopsies.
        4. Shall be responsible for post-biopsy management of the patient.
        5. Shall be responsible for supervision of the radiologic technologist during the procedure.
      - (2) Maintenance of proficiency and CME requirements.
        1. Perform or participate in at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies per year or requalify by performing 3 procedures under direct supervision of a qualified training physician or an agency-approved manufacturer applications specialist before resuming unsupervised procedures.
        2. Obtain at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy every 36 months. If education is not maintained, the physician must requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months before resuming unsupervised procedures. These CMEs cannot be obtained by the performance of supervised procedures.
        3. Continuing qualifications must be met and a current state of Iowa medical license must be in effect whenever unsupervised procedures are performed by the physician.
      - c. Requirements for a radiologist performing stereotactically guided breast biopsy independently are as follows:
        - (1) Initial training and requirements.
          1. Must be qualified according to 41.6(3)“a.”

2. Initially, must have at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy.

3. Initially, must obtain at least 15 hours of CME in breast imaging including benign and malignant breast diseases.

4. Must have performed at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies prior to July 1, 1998, or at least 3 hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy procedures under a physician who is both qualified according to 41.7(3) and has performed at least 24 stereotactically guided breast biopsies.

5. Must be responsible for mammographic interpretation.

6. Must be responsible for patient selection.

7. Must be responsible for the supervision of the radiologic technologist during the procedure.

8. Must be responsible for post-biopsy management of the patient which may include referral to a surgeon for a follow-up on certain lesions.

- (2) Maintenance of proficiency and CME requirements.

1. Perform at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies per year or requalify by performing 3 procedures under direct supervision of a qualified training physician or an agency-approved manufacturer applications specialist.

2. Obtain at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy every 36 months which includes post-biopsy management of the patient. If education is not maintained, the physician must requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months before resuming unsupervised procedures. These CMEs cannot be obtained by the performance of supervised procedures.

3. Continuing qualifications must be met and a current state of Iowa medical license must be in effect whenever unsupervised procedures are performed by the physician.

- d.* Requirements for a physician other than a qualified radiologist (under 41.7(3) "c") performing stereotactically guided breast biopsy independently are as follows:

- (1) Initial training and requirements.

1. Must be licensed to practice medicine in Iowa.

2. Must have evaluated at least 480 mammograms in the prior 24 months in consultation with a physician who is qualified according to 41.6(3) "a."

3. Initially, must have at least 15 hours of Category 1 CME or 15 hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast imaging and biopsy or three years' experience having performed at least 36 stereotactically guided breast biopsies.

4. Must have four hours of Category 1 CME in medical radiation physics.

5. Must have performed at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies prior to May 9, 2001, or at least 3 hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy procedures under a physician who is both qualified according to 41.7(3) and has performed at least 24 stereotactically guided breast biopsies.

6. Must be responsible for patient selection.

7. Must be responsible for the supervision of the radiologic technologist during the procedure.

8. Must be responsible for post-biopsy management of the patient.

- (2) Maintenance of proficiency and CME requirements.

1. Continue to evaluate at least 480 mammograms every 24 months in consultation with a physician who is qualified according to 41.6(3) "a."

2. Perform at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies per year or requalify by performing 3 procedures under direct supervision of a qualified training physician or an agency-approved manufacturer applications specialist.

3. Obtain at least three hours of Category 1 CME or three hours of training approved by the agency in stereotactically guided breast biopsy every 36 months. If education is not maintained, the physician must requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months before resuming unsupervised procedures. The CME credits for requalification cannot be obtained by performing procedures.

4. Continuing qualifications must be met and a current state of Iowa medical license must be in effect whenever unsupervised procedures are performed by the physician.

**41.7(4) Medical physicist.**

- a. Must be qualified according to 41.6(3)“c.”
- b. Must have performed three hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy system physics surveys prior to July 1, 1998; or one hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy system physics survey under the guidance of a medical physicist qualified through 41.7(4)“a” and 41.7(4)“b.”
- c. Maintenance of proficiency and continuing education requirements.
  - (1) Have performed at least one stereotactically guided breast biopsy system physics survey per year after the initial qualifications are met or requalify by performing one survey supervised by a qualified medical physicist; and
  - (2) Following the third anniversary in which the requirements of this subrule were met, have obtained at least three hours of continuing education in stereotactically guided breast biopsy system physics during the previous 36 months or requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months.

**41.7(5) Radiologic technologist.**

- a. Must be qualified according to 41.6(3)“b.”
- b. Must meet the following initial requirements:
  - (1) Five hands-on stereotactically guided breast biopsy procedures on patients under the supervision of a physician or technologist qualified under rule 641— 41.7(136C).
  - (2) Three hours of continuing education in stereotactically guided breast biopsy. The required continuing education cannot be obtained through the performance of supervised stereotactically guided breast biopsy procedures.
- c. Maintenance of proficiency and continuing education and experience requirements.
  - (1) Following the first anniversary in which the requirements of this subrule were met, have performed at least 12 stereotactically guided breast biopsies per year or requalify by performing 3 stereotactically guided breast biopsies under the supervision of a physician or radiologic technologist qualified under 41.7(3) or 41.7(5)..
  - (2) Following the third anniversary in which the requirements of this subrule were met, have at least three hours of continuing education in stereotactically guided breast biopsy system physics during the previous 36 months or requalify by obtaining additional CME credits to reach 3 CME credits in the prior 36 months. The CMEs cannot be obtained by the performance of supervised procedures.
  - (3) If a stereotactic radiologic technologist performs only stereotactic procedures, the radiologic technologist must perform at least 100 stereotactic procedures during the prior 24 months.during the 24-month period ending on the last day of the previous calendar quarter, or any 24-month period between the two. In this case, all requirements for radiologic technologists must be met with the exception of 41.6(3)“b”(4)“1.”
  - (4) Only 50 percent of the total required stereotactic continuing education hours may be obtained through presenting or acting as a trainer for a continuing education or training program.

**41.7(6) Obtaining and preserving records.**

- a. The facility must make, for each procedure, a record of the service provided including:
  - (1) The date of the procedure.
  - (2) The name of the patient and one additional patient identifier.
  - (3) The name of the radiologic technologists and physicians performing the procedure.
  - (4) A description of the service provided.
  - (5) The name of the referring physician, if any.
- b. Records retained by the medical facility must be retained for at least ten years.

**41.7(7) Quality assurance program.**

- a. The facility shall have an equipment quality assurance program specific to stereotactically guided breast biopsy systems and covering all components of the system to ensure high-quality images with minimum patient exposure.
- b. The facility shall ensure that a general review of the program is conducted at least annually and have available the services of a qualified medical physicist who is capable of establishing and conducting the program.

- c. The facility shall name a supervising stereotactic biopsy physician who shall be responsible for:
- (1) Quality assurance activities including the medical audit,
  - (2) Oversight of the quality control program, and
  - (3) Supervision of the radiologic technologist(s) and the medical physicist.
- d. Under the direction of the supervising physician, the medical physicist shall have the responsibility for establishing and conducting the equipment quality assurance program. The program shall include:
- (1) Conducting equipment performance monitoring functions, initially and then at least annually, to include:
    1. Evaluation of biopsy unit assembly. Any failed items must be corrected within 30 days of the survey unless the medical physicist deems that the failure poses a serious injury risk to the patient, at which time the failure needs to be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    2. Collimation.
      - Digital – X-ray field must not extend beyond the image receptor by more than 5 mm on any side.
      - Film-screen – On all sides other than the chest wall side, the X-ray field must be within the image receptor. The chest wall side must not extend beyond the image receptor by more than 2 percent.
      - Any failures must be corrected within 30 days of the survey.
    3. Evaluation of focal spot.
      - Digital – Focal spot must not degrade from initial measurement. If reduction in lp/mm is found, focal spot must be corrected within 30 days of survey.
      - Film-screen – Film-screen must show 13 lp/mm parallel to the anode-cathode axis and 11 lp/mm perpendicular to the anode-cathode axis. Failure to meet the performance criteria must be corrected within 30 days of survey.
    4. kVp accuracy/reproducibility. kVp accuracy/reproducibility must be accurate to within +/- 5% of nominal kVp setting. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    5. Half-value layer measurement. HVL shall be greater than kVp/100 (in units of mm Al). Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    6. Exposure reproducibility. Exposure must be reproducible to within +/- 15% of mean exposure. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    7. Breast entrance exposure, average glandular dose. Average glandular dose must be less than 300 millirad (3 milliGray) per exposure of a 50 percent glandular/50 percent adipose 4.5 centimeter breast. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    8. Image quality evaluation.
      - Digital – Phantom image must meet the criteria of 5 fibers, 4 speck groups and 3 masses for the ACR accreditation phantom or 3 fibers, 3 speck groups and 2.5 masses for the mini phantom unless otherwise stated by the phantom manufacturer.
      - Film-screen – Phantom image must meet the criteria of 4 fibers, 3 speck groups and 3 masses for the ACR phantom or 2 fibers, 2 speck groups and 2 masses for the mini phantom unless otherwise stated by the phantom manufacturer. The background density must be within +/- .20 of the established aim, and the density differences must be within +/- .05 of the established aim.
      - Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
    9. Artifact evaluation. Any significant black or white artifacts seen in the image detector field must be corrected within 30 days of the survey.
    10. Digital field uniformity. For units with region of interest (ROI) capability, the SNR in each corner must be within +/- 15% of the SNR in the center. Failures must be corrected within 30 days of the survey.
    11. Localization simulation (gelatin phantom) test. Localization accuracy must be within 1 mm of target, and the test must include a portion of the test “lesion” in the sample chamber. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.
  - (2) Analyzing the monitoring results to determine if there are any problems requiring correction.

(3) Ensuring that the facility has procedures in place for carrying out or arranging for the necessary corrective actions as well as for the calibrations and other preventative maintenance.

*e.* The supervising physician shall have the responsibility for establishing and conducting the quality control program in a facility with a fixed unit. In the case of a mobile stereotactic unit, the owner or designee shall assume the responsibility for establishing and conducting the quality assurance program. The program shall include:

(1) Localization accuracy (daily before use and before using the localization unit after it is adjusted). Each coordinate must be within manufacturer specifications for the intended target value. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.

(2) Visual checklist (monthly). Any failed items must be corrected within 30 days.

(3) Phantom image (weekly).

1. Digital – Phantom image must meet the criteria of 5 fibers, 4 speck groups and 3 masses for the ACR accreditation phantom or 3 fibers, 3 speck groups and 2.5 masses for the mini phantom unless otherwise stated by the phantom manufacturer.

2. Film-screen – Phantom image must meet the criteria of 4 fibers, 3 speck groups and 3 masses for the ACR phantom or 2 fibers, 2 speck groups and 2 masses for the mini phantom unless otherwise stated by the phantom manufacturer. The background density must be within +/- .20 of the established aim, and the density difference must be within +/- .05 of the established aim.

3. Failures must be corrected before further procedures are performed.

(4) Compression (semiannually). The maximum auto drive compression force shall not exceed 45 pounds. Failures must be corrected within 30 days.

(5) Processor sensitometry (daily before use with systems utilizing film).

*f.* Each facility shall establish a medical audit program to ensure the accuracy and appropriateness of the procedures performed. This program shall include an imaging-pathology correlation for each biopsy performed, an ongoing analysis of biopsy results and periodic review of the utilization of the procedure. The program must include the number of biopsies performed, the number of cancers found, the number of benign lesions found, and the number of biopsies repeated.

*g.* Additional medical physicist evaluations of stereotactic units shall be conducted whenever a new unit is installed, a unit is disassembled and reassembled at the same or a new location, or major components of a stereotactic unit are changed or repaired. These evaluations shall be used to determine whether the new or changed equipment meets the requirements of applicable standards in 41.7(7). All problems shall be corrected before the new or changed equipment is put into service for examinations. The stereotactic equipment evaluation shall be performed by a medical physicist qualified under 41.7(4) or by an individual under the direct supervision of a medical physicist qualified under 41.7(4)..

**41.7(8) *Equipment standards.***

*a.* Be specifically designed for stereotactically guided breast biopsy.

*b.* Meet the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) standards found in 21 CFR.

**41.7(9) *Safety standards.***

*a.* Proper safety precautions shall be maintained and shall include, but not be limited to, adequate shielding for patients, personnel and facilities. The equipment shall be operated only from a shielded position.

*b.* Equipment operators shall wear personnel monitors to monitor their radiation exposure.

*c.* Annual inspections shall be conducted by an inspector from the agency to ensure compliance with these rules. Identified hazards shall be promptly corrected.

*d.* Equipment shall be shockproof and grounded to protect against electrical hazards.

*e.* Records of all inspections, reports and consultations shall be maintained for at least seven years.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 136C.

## CHAPTER 41—APPENDIX A

INFORMATION ON RADIATION SHIELDING  
REQUIRED FOR PLAN REVIEWS (EXCLUDING THERAPY MACHINES)

In order for the agency to provide an evaluation and verification that national standards have been met on shielding requirements for a radiation installation, the following information shall be submitted.

1. The plans should show, as a minimum, the following:

(a) The normal location of the X-ray system's radiation port; the port's travel and traverse limits; general direction(s) of the useful beam; locations of any windows and doors; the location of the operator's booth; and the location of the X-ray control panel.

(b) The structural composition and thickness or lead equivalent of all walls, doors, partitions, floor, and ceiling of the room(s) concerned.

(c) The dimensions of the room(s) concerned.

(d) The type of occupancy of all adjacent areas inclusive of space above and below the room(s) concerned. If there is an exterior wall, show distance to the closest area(s) where it is likely that individuals may be present.

(e) The make and model of the X-ray equipment, the energy waveform (single phase, three phase, etc.) and the maximum technique factors.

(f) The type of examination(s) or treatment(s) which will be performed with the equipment.

2. Information on the anticipated workload of the X-ray system(s) in mA-minutes per week.

3. If the services of a qualified expert have been utilized to determine the shielding requirements, a report, including all basic assumptions used, shall be submitted with the plans.

## CHAPTER 41—APPENDIX B

DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR AN  
OPERATOR'S BOOTH1. Space requirements:

(a) The operator shall be allotted not less than 7.5 square feet (0.697 m) of unobstructed floor space in the booth.

(b) The operator's booth may be any geometric configuration with no dimension of less than 2 feet (0.61 m).

(c) The space shall be allotted excluding any encumbrance by the X-ray control panel, such as overhang, cables, or other similar encroachments.

(d) The booth shall be located or constructed such that unattenuated direct scatter radiation originating on the examination table or at the wall cassette will not reach the operator's station in the booth.

2. Structural requirements:

(a) The booth walls shall be permanently fixed barriers of at least 7 feet (2.13 m) high.

(b) When a door or movable panel is used as an integral part of the booth structure, it must have an interlock which will prevent an exposure when the door or panel is not closed.

(c) Shielding shall be provided to meet the requirements of 641—Chapter 40.

3. X-ray control placement:

The X-ray control for the system shall be fixed within the booth; and

(a) Shall be at least 40 inches (1.02 m) from any point subject to direct scatter, leakage or primary beam radiation.

(b) Shall allow the operator to use the majority of the available viewing windows or mirrors.

4. Viewing system requirements:

(a) Each booth shall have at least one viewing device which will:

(1) Be so placed that the operator can view the patient during any exposure, and

(2) The device shall be so placed that the operator can have full view of any occupant of the room and should be so placed that the operator can view any entry into the room. If any door which allows access to the room cannot be seen from the booth, then outside that door there shall be an "X-ray" warning sign that will be lighted anytime the rotor of the X-ray tube is activated. Alternatively, that door must have an interlock controlling the exposure which will prevent the exposure if the door is not closed.

(b) When the viewing system is a window, the following requirements also apply:

(1) The viewing area shall be at least 1 square foot (0.0929 m<sup>2</sup>).

(2) Regardless of size or shape, at least 0.09 m<sup>2</sup> (1 sq ft) of window area must be centered no less than 0.6 m (2 feet) from the open edge of the booth and no less than 1.5 m (5.0 feet) from the floor.

(3) The material constituting the window shall have the same lead equivalence as that required in the booth's wall in which it is mounted.

(c) When the viewing system is by mirrors, the mirror(s) shall be so located as to accomplish the general requirements of Appendix B, 4(a).

(d) When the viewing system is by electronic means:

(1) The camera shall be so located as to accomplish the general requirements of Appendix B, 4(a), and

(2) There shall be an alternate viewing system as a backup for the primary system.

## CHAPTER 41—APPENDIX C

INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY PERSONS  
PROPOSING TO CONDUCT HEALING  
ARTS SCREENING

Persons requesting that the agency approve a healing arts screening program shall submit the following information and evaluation:

1. Name and address of the applicant and, where applicable, the names and addresses of agents within this state.

2. Diseases or conditions for which the X-ray examinations are to be used in diagnoses.

3. A detailed description of the X-ray examinations proposed in the screening program.

4. Description of the population to be examined in the screening program, i.e., age, sex, physical condition, and other appropriate information. Any person conducting a screening program for cardiac scoring shall conduct screening only on either women over age 45 or men over age 50 who meet any two of the following criteria: family history, smoker, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, obesity (at least 20 pounds overweight), diabetes.

5. An evaluation of any known alternate methods not involving ionizing radiation which could achieve the goals of the screening program and why these methods are not used instead of the X-ray examinations.

6. An evaluation by a qualified expert of the X-ray system(s) to be used in the screening program. The evaluation by the qualified expert shall show that such system(s) does satisfy all requirements of these regulations. The evaluation shall include a measurement of patient exposures from the X-ray examinations to be performed.

7. A description of the diagnostic film quality control program.

8. A copy of the technique chart for the X-ray examination procedures to be used.

9. The qualifications of each individual who will be operating the X-ray system(s).

10. The qualifications of the individual who will be supervising the operators of the X-ray system(s). The extent of supervision and the method of work performance evaluation shall be specified.

11. The name and address of the physician who will interpret the radiograph(s) and a copy of the physician's license to practice in Iowa.

12. A description of the procedures to be used in advising the individuals screened and their private practitioners of the healing arts of the results of the screening procedure and any further medical needs indicated.

13. A description of the procedures for the retention or disposition of the radiographs and other records pertaining to the X-ray examinations.

14. An indication of the frequency of screening and the duration of the entire screening program.

15. Documentation justifying the reason for the screening. The applicant must submit data which supports the efficacy of the screening test in diagnosing the disease or condition being screened. Data which will be acceptable to the department includes, but is not limited to, the following: (1) the recommendation of a nationally recognized certifying medical or government body; (2) the recommendation of one of the following national organizations: American Cancer Association, American Lung Association, American Heart Association; or (3) medical literature from peer-reviewed journals supporting the screening.

16. The procedures for preventing pregnant individuals from participating in the screening or justification for allowing pregnant individuals to participate.

17. The dates of the screening to include beginning and ending dates.

18. A copy of IRB for a research project or information justifying the research project.



## APPENDIX D

### QA for Therapeutic Radiation Machines

Frequency	Procedure	Tolerance <sup>a</sup>
Daily	<u>Dosimetry</u>	
	X-ray output constancy	3%
	Electron output constancy <sup>b</sup>	3%
	<u>Mechanical</u>	
	Localizing lasers	2mm
	Distance indicator (ODI)	2mm
	<u>Safety</u>	
	Door interlocks	functional
	Audiovisual monitors	functional
	Monthly	<u>Dosimetry</u>
X-ray output constancy <sup>c</sup>		2%
Electron output constancy <sup>c</sup>		2%
Backup monitor constancy		2%
X-ray central axis dosimetry parameter (PDD, TAR) constancy		2%
Electron central axis dosimetry parameter constancy (PDD)		2mm @ therapeutic depth
X-ray beam flatness constancy		2%
Electron beam flatness constancy		3%
X-ray and electron symmetry		3%
<u>Safety Interlocks</u>		
Wedge, electron cone interlocks		functional
<u>Mechanical</u>		
Light/radiation field coincidence		2mm or 1% on a side <sup>d</sup>
Gantry/collimator angle indicators		1 degree
Wedge position		2mm (or 2% change in transmission factor)
Tray position		2mm
Applicator position		2mm
Field size indicators		2mm
Cross-hair centering		2mm diameter
Treatment couch position indicators		2mm/1deg
Latching of wedges, blocking tray	functional	
Jaw symmetry <sup>e</sup>	2mm	
Field Light intensity	functional	
Annual	<u>Dosimetry</u>	
	X-ray/electron output calibration constancy	2%
	Field size dependence of X-ray output constancy	2%

<sup>a</sup> The tolerances listed in the tables should be interpreted to mean that if a parameter either: (1) exceeds the tabulated value (e.g., the measured isocenter under the gantry exceeds 2 mm diameter); or (2) that the change in the parameter exceeds the nominal value (e.g., the output changes by more than 2%), then an action is required. The distinction is emphasized by the use of the term constancy for the latter case. Moreover, for constancy, percent values  $\pm$  the deviation of the parameter with respect to its nominal value; distances are referenced to the isocenter or nominal SSD.

<sup>b</sup> All electron energies need not be checked daily, but all electron energies are to be checked at least twice weekly.

<sup>c</sup> A constancy check with a field instrument using temperature pressure corrections.

<sup>d</sup> Whichever is greater. Should also be checked after change of light field source.

<sup>e</sup> Jaw symmetry is defined as the difference in distance of each jaw from the isocenter.

Frequency	Procedure	Tolerance <sup>a</sup>
	Output factor constancy for electron applicators	2%
	Central axis parameter constancy (PDD, TAR)	2%
	Off-axis factor constancy	2%
	Transmission factor constancy for all treatment accessories	2%
	Wedge transmission factor constancy <sup>f</sup>	2%
	Monitor chamber linearity	1%
	X-ray output constancy vs. gantry angle	2%
	Electron output constancy vs. gantry angle	2%
	Off-axis factor constancy vs. gantry angle	2%
	Arc mode	Mfrs. specs.
	<u>Safety Interlocks</u>	
	Follow manufacturer's test procedures	functional
	<u>Mechanical</u>	
	Collimator rotation isocenter	2mm diameter
	Gantry rotation isocenter	2mm diameter
	Couch rotation isocenter	2mm diameter
	Coincidence of collimetry, gantry, couch axes with isocenter	2mm diameter
	Coincidence of radiation and mechanical isocenter	2mm diameter

<sup>f</sup> Most wedges' transmission factors are field size and depth dependent.

<sup>a</sup> The tolerances listed in the tables should be interpreted to mean that if a parameter either: (1) exceeds the tabulated value (e.g., the measured isocenter under the gantry exceeds 2 mm diameter); or (2) that the change in the parameter exceeds the nominal value (e.g., the output changes by more than 2%), then an action is required. The distinction is emphasized by the use of the term constancy for the latter case. Moreover, for constancy, percent values  $\pm$  the deviation of the parameter with respect to its nominal value; distances are referenced to the isocenter or nominal SSD.

## APPENDIX E

INFORMATION ON RADIATION SHIELDING REQUIRED  
FOR PLAN REVIEWS FOR THERAPY MACHINES

## I. All therapeutic radiation machines.

A. Basic facility information including: name, telephone number and agency registration number of the individual responsible for preparation of the shielding plan; name and telephone number of the facility supervisor; and the street address (including room number if applicable) of the external beam radiation therapy facility. The plan should also indicate whether this is a new structure or a modification to existing structure(s).

B. All wall, floor, and ceiling areas struck by the useful beam shall have primary barriers.

C. Secondary barriers shall be provided in all wall, floor, and ceiling areas not having primary barriers.

## II. Therapeutic machines up to 150 kV (photons only).

In addition to the requirements listed in Section I above, therapeutic radiation machine facilities which produce only photons with a maximum energy less than or equal to 150 kV shall submit shielding plans which contain, as a minimum, the following additional information:

A. Equipment specifications, including the manufacturer and model number of the therapeutic radiation machine, as well as the maximum technique factors.

B. Maximum design workload for the facility including total weekly radiation output (expressed in gray (rad) or air kerma at one meter), total beam-on time per day or week, the average treatment time per patient, along with the anticipated number of patients to be treated per day or week.

C. A facility blueprint/drawing indicating: scale (0.25 inch = 1 foot is typical); direction of north; normal location of the therapeutic radiation machine's radiation port(s); the port's travel and traverse limits; general direction(s) of the useful beam; locations of any windows and doors; and the location of the therapeutic radiation machine control panel. If the control panel is located inside the external beam radiation therapy treatment room, the location of the operator's booth shall be noted on the plan and the operator's station at the control panel shall be behind a protective barrier sufficient to ensure compliance with 641—40.15(136C).

D. The structural composition and thickness or lead/concrete equivalent of all walls, doors, partitions, floor, and ceiling of the room(s) concerned.

E. The type of occupancy of all adjacent areas inclusive of space above and below the room(s) concerned. If there is an exterior wall, show distance to the closest area(s) where it is likely that individuals may be present.

F. At least one example calculation which shows the methodology used to determine the amount of shielding required for each physical condition (i.e., primary and secondary leakage barriers, restricted and unrestricted areas, entry door(s)) and shielding material in the facility.

(1) If commercial software is used to generate shielding requirements, identify the software used and the version/revision date.

(2) If the software used to generate shielding requirements is not in the open literature, submit quality control sample calculations to verify the result obtained with the software.

## III. Therapeutic radiation machines over 150 kV.

In addition to the requirements listed in Section I above, therapeutic radiation machine facilities which produce photons or electrons with a maximum energy in excess of 150 kV or electrons shall submit shielding plans which contain, as a minimum, the following additional information:

A. Equipment specifications including the manufacturer and model number of the therapeutic radiation machine, and gray (rad) at the isocenter and the energy(s) and type(s) of radiation produced (i.e., photon, electron). The target to isocenter distance shall be specified.

B. Maximum design workload for the facility including total weekly radiation output (expressed in gray (rad) at one meter), total beam-on time per day or week, the average treatment time per patient, along with the anticipated number of patients to be treated per day or week.

C. Facility blueprint/drawing (including both floor plan and elevation views) indicating relative orientation of the therapeutic radiation machine, scale (0.25 inch = 1 foot is typical), type(s), thickness and minimum density of shielding material(s), direction of north, the locations and size of all penetrations through each shielding barrier (ceiling, walls and floor), as well as details of the door(s) and maze.

D. The structural composition and thickness or concrete equivalent of all walls, doors, partitions, floor, and ceiling of the room(s) concerned.

E. The type of occupancy of all adjacent areas inclusive of space above and below the room(s) concerned. If there is an exterior wall, show distance to the closest area(s) where it is likely that individuals may be present.

F. Description of all assumptions that were in shielding calculations including, but not limited to, design energy (i.e., room may be designed for 6 MV unit although only a 4 MV unit is currently proposed), workload, presence of integral beam-stop in unit, occupancy and use(s) of adjacent areas, fraction of time that useful beam will intercept each permanent barrier (walls, floor and ceiling) and “allowed” radiation exposure in both restricted and unrestricted areas.

G. At least one example calculation which shows the methodology used to determine the amount of shielding required for each physical condition (i.e., primary and secondary leakage barriers, restricted and unrestricted areas, small angle scatter, entry door(s) and maze) and shielding material in the facility.

(1) If commercial software is used to generate shielding requirements, also identify the software used and the version/revision date.

(2) If the software used to generate shielding requirements is not in the open literature, submit quality control sample calculations to verify the result obtained with the software.

#### IV. Neutron shielding.

In addition to the requirements listed in Section III above, therapeutic radiation machine facilities which are capable of operating above 10 MV shall submit shielding plans which contain, as a minimum, the following additional information:

A. The structural composition, thickness, minimum density and location of all neutron shielding material.

B. Description of all assumptions that were used in neutron shielding calculations including, but not limited to, neutron spectra as a function of energy, neutron fluency rate, absorbed dose and dose equivalent (due to neutrons) in both restricted and unrestricted areas.

C. At least one example calculation which shows the methodology used to determine the amount of neutron shielding required for each physical condition (i.e., restricted and unrestricted areas, entry door(s) and maze) and neutron shielding material utilized in the facility.

(1) If commercial software is used to generate shielding requirements, also identify the software used and the version/revision date.

(2) If the software used to generate shielding requirements is not in the open literature, submit quality control sample calculations to verify the result obtained with the software.

D. The method(s) and instrumentation which will be used to verify the adequacy of all neutron shielding installed in the facility.

#### V. References.

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B. NCRP Report 51, “Radiation Protection Design Guidelines for 0.1-100 MeV Particle Accelerator Facilities” (1977).

C. NCRP Report 79, “Neutron Contamination from Medical Electron Accelerator” (1984).

D. NCRP Report 144, “Radiation Protection for Particle Accelerator Facilities” (2003).

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CHAPTER 42  
MINIMUM CERTIFICATION STANDARDS FOR DIAGNOSTIC RADIOGRAPHERS,  
NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGISTS, AND RADIATION THERAPISTS

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**641—42.1(136C) Purpose and scope.**

**42.1(1) *Applicability.*** Except as otherwise specifically provided, these rules apply to all individuals who operate as a diagnostic radiographer, nuclear medicine technologist, radiologist assistant, podiatric radiographer, or radiation therapist as defined below.

The provisions of this chapter are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other applicable portions of 641—Chapters 38 to 41.

**42.1(2) *Definitions.*** For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions of 641—Chapter 38 may also apply.

*“Approved course of study”* means a curriculum and associated training and testing materials which the department has determined are adequate to train students to meet the requirements of this chapter.

*“ARRT”* means the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

*“Chest”* is defined as the lung fields including the cardiac shadow, as taught in the approved limited radiography curriculum. Radiography of the shoulder, clavicle, scapula, ribs, thoracic spine and sternum for diagnostic evaluation of these body structures or chest radiography using anything other than a vertical cassette holder is not allowed under this body part classification for limited diagnostic radiographers. Limited diagnostic radiographers already approved in chest radiography may perform oblique, apical lordotic, and decubitus chest views under this definition upon completion of additional training approved by this agency.

*“Clinical education”* means the direct participation of the student in radiographic exposures as part of the approved course of study.

*“Clinical podiatric sponsor”* means a person who is licensed under Iowa Code chapter 149 and who is supervising a podiatric radiography student.

*“Continuing education course”* means a planned program of continuing education having sufficient scope and depth of a given subject area directly related to the field of diagnostic radiography, nuclear medicine, or radiation therapy to form an educational unit that is planned, coordinated, administered, and evaluated in terms of educational objectives and that provides a defined level of knowledge or specific performance skill. This concept involves the organized presentation of a body of knowledge so that the subject matter is comprehensively covered in sufficient detail to meet the educational objectives of the course.

*“Contrast media”* means material intentionally administered to the human body to define a part(s) which is not normally visualized radiographically.

*“Diagnostic radiographer”* means an individual, other than a licensed practitioner, podiatric radiographer, or dental assistant with radiography qualification, who applies X-radiation to the human body for diagnostic purposes while under the supervision of a licensed practitioner or registered nurse under 641—subparagraph 41.1(3)“a”(7). The types are as follows:

1. “General diagnostic radiographer” applies X-radiation to any part of the human body.
2. “Limited diagnostic radiographer” applies X-radiation to only the following body parts: chest, extremities (upper and lower), spine, or sinus. This individual is restricted to performing radiography in that area of the facility specifically designed for X-ray. This individual may not perform pediatric radiography (children under three years of age) without additional training in pediatric radiography taken as a part of the basic limited training or a specifically approved training program (see 42.2(6)).
3. “Limited in-hospital radiographer” applies X-radiation as permitted in 42.3(1)“c.”

*“Diagnostic radiography”* means the science and art of applying X-radiation to human beings for diagnostic purposes other than in dental radiography. It shall include adjustment or manipulation of X-ray equipment and appurtenances including image receptors, positioning of patients and processing of films so as to materially affect the radiation exposure of patients.

*“Directly related”* means covering a subject listed in the training requirements for a specific certification.

*“Formally educated”* means completion of a formal course of training and testing approved by the agency.

*“In vitro”* means a procedure in which the radioactive material is not administered to a human being.

*“In vivo”* means a procedure in which the radioactive material is administered to a human being.

*“Lower extremities”* refers to those body parts from the distal phalanges of the foot to the head of the femur and its articulation with the pelvic girdle as taught in the approved limited radiographer curriculum. True hip radiographs are prohibited under this category for limited diagnostic radiographers. This definition applies to 641—Chapter 42 only.

*“Nuclear medicine procedure”* means any procedure utilizing radiopharmaceuticals for diagnosis or treatment of disease in human beings and any duties performed by the technologist during sealed source procedures and includes, but is not limited to:

1. Administration of any radiopharmaceutical to human beings for diagnostic purposes.
2. Administration of radioactive material to human beings for therapeutic purposes.
3. Use of radioactive material for diagnostic purposes involving transmission or excitation.
4. Quality control and quality assurance.

*“Nuclear medicine technologist”* means an individual, other than a licensed physician, who performs nuclear medicine procedures while under the supervision of a physician who is authorized by NRC or Iowa to possess and use radioactive materials.

*“Podiatric radiographer”* means an individual employed in a podiatry office who performs podiatric radiography but not CT or fluoroscopy.

*“Podiatric radiography”* means the application of X-radiation to the human foot and ankle for diagnostic purposes only.

*“Quality assurance”* means all aspects of a nuclear medicine program that ensure the quality of imaging and therapy procedures.

*“Quality control”* means specific tests and measurements that ensure the purity, quantity, product identity, and biologic safety of radiopharmaceuticals.

*“Radiation therapist”* means a person, other than a licensed physician, who performs radiation therapy technology under the supervision of a radiation oncologist.

*“Radiation therapy technology”* means the science and art of performing simulation radiography or applying ionizing radiation emitted from X-ray machines, particle accelerators, or radioactive materials in the form of sealed sources to human beings for therapeutic purposes.

*“Radiologist assistant”* means an advanced-level radiographer, other than a licensed practitioner, who works under the supervision of a radiologist to enhance patient care by assisting the radiologist in the diagnostic imaging environment.

*“Simulation radiography”* means the science and art of applying radiation to human beings for the purpose of localizing treatment fields and for treatment planning.

*“Simulation therapist”* means an individual, other than a physician, who applies radiation to human beings for the purpose of localizing treatment fields and for treatment planning.

*“Sinus”* as used in the limited radiographer curriculum refers to the paranasal sinuses only.

*“Special category course”* means those programs still related to health care but indirectly related to diagnostic radiography, nuclear medicine technology, or radiation therapy. Such programs are: advanced CPR, educator’s programs, management programs, personal improvement, for example.

*“Spine”* refers to the cervical, thoracic (dorsal), lumbar vertebrae and their articulations. It may also include the sacrum or coccyx and the sacral articulation with the pelvic girdle. True pelvis radiographs performed with the image receptor positioned perpendicular to the long axis of the torso are prohibited under this limited category. Lumbo-pelvic or full spine radiography may be performed if the long axis of the image receptor is positioned parallel with the long axis of the spine as taught in the approved limited radiographer curriculum.

*“Student”* means an individual enrolled in and participating in an approved course of study.



“*Supervision*” means responsibility for and control of quality, radiation safety and protection, and technical aspects of the application of ionizing radiation to human beings for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes. Indirect supervision is being physically present in the immediate vicinity and able to assist if needed. Direct supervision is physically observing and critiquing the actual procedure and giving immediate assistance if required.

“*Upper extremities*” refers to those body parts from the distal phalanges of the hand to the head of the humerus. These projections may include the acromioclavicular or glenoid-humeral areas as taught in the approved limited radiographer curriculum. True shoulder radiography that includes both distal and proximal ends of the clavicle is prohibited under this category for limited diagnostic radiographers. This definition applies to 641—Chapter 42 only.

#### **641—42.2(136C) General requirements.**

**42.2(1) *Application process.*** Any individual seeking certification under 641—Chapter 42 shall:

- a. Meet minimum eligibility requirements:
  - (1) Graduation from high school or its equivalent.
  - (2) Attainment of 18 years of age.
  - (3) Ability to adequately perform necessary duties without constituting a hazard to the health or safety of patients or operators.
- b. Satisfactorily complete an agency-approved training program.
- c. Satisfactorily complete an agency-approved examination.
- d. Upon completion of “b” and “c,” apply to the agency for a permit to practice, and pay the fees as specified in 641—subrule 38.8(6).
- e. Submit an annual renewal application which includes the fees specified in 641—subrule 38.8(6).
- f. Report continuing education as required in 42.2(3).
- g. Post the permit at the individual’s place of employment.
- h. As a diagnostic radiographer, work only under the supervision of a licensed practitioner as defined in 641—38.2(136C); as a nuclear medicine technologist, work only under the supervision of an authorized user as defined in 641—41.2(136C); or as a radiation therapist, work only under the supervision of a licensed physician or authorized user as defined in 641—41.2(136C).
- i. Submit a written report of any misdemeanor or felony, any disciplinary action brought against the individual in connection with a certificate or license issued from a certifying or licensing entity, or any disciplinary action brought against the individual by an employer or patient.
- j. For podiatric radiographers only, follow the application process in 42.7(4).

**42.2(2) *Disciplinary grounds and actions.*** The procedures for administrative enforcement actions are found in 641—38.9(136C) and 38.10(136C). The following shall be grounds for disciplinary action involving possible probation, suspension, revocation, or denial of certification, levying of fines or other sanctions:

- a. Operating as a diagnostic radiographer, podiatric radiographer, radiologist assistant, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist without meeting the requirements of this chapter.
- b. Allowing any individual excluding a licensed practitioner as defined in 641—38.2(136C) to operate as a diagnostic radiographer, podiatric radiographer, radiologist assistant, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist if that individual cannot provide proof of certification by the agency.
- c. Failing to report to the agency any individual whom the certificate holder knows is in violation of this rule.
- d. Submitting false information in order to obtain certification or renewal certification as a diagnostic radiographer, podiatric radiographer, radiologist assistant, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist.
- e. Any action that the department determines may jeopardize the public, other staff, or certificate holder’s health and safety. These actions shall include but not be limited to:
  - (1) Any medical condition which may impair or limit the individual’s ability to perform diagnostic radiography, nuclear medicine procedures, or radiation therapy;

- (2) Activity related to illegal or improper use of drugs or other chemical substances;
  - (3) A misdemeanor or felony which may impair or limit the individual's ability to perform diagnostic radiography, nuclear medicine procedures, or radiation therapy;
  - (4) Any disciplinary action brought against the individual in connection with a certificate or license issued from a certifying or licensing entity;
  - (5) Being found guilty of incompetence or negligence during the certificate holder's performance as a certificate holder;
  - (6) Performing diagnostic radiography, radiation therapy, or nuclear medicine procedures without either supervision or a written order of a licensed practitioner;
  - (7) Interpreting and rendering a diagnosis based on a diagnostic image for a physician, a patient, the patient's family, or the public.
- f.* Performing procedures not allowed under the individual's current certification.
- g.* Failing to pay fees or costs required to meet the requirements of this chapter. Penalties for working without a current permit will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- h.* Failure to respond to an audit request or failure to provide proper documentation.
- i.* Submitting false information to a facility that might place the facility in noncompliance with 641—Chapters 38 to 41.
- j.* Violating any of the rules of 641—Chapters 38 to 42.

**42.2(3) Continuing education.**

*a.* Each individual who is certified under these rules shall, during a two-year period, obtain continuing education credit as follows:

(1) General diagnostic radiographer: 24 clock hours, 1.0 hour must be in radiation protection. Subjects must be directly related to general diagnostic radiography as defined in 42.1(2) and approved by the agency.

1. Individuals holding an additional category in CT, as specified in 42.2(9), must complete 6.0 of the 24.0 hours in CT-related courses.

2. Individuals not holding the additional category in CT may not submit continuing education hours in CT.

(2) Limited in-hospital diagnostic radiographer: 24 clock hours, 1.0 hour must be in radiation protection.

(3) Limited diagnostic radiographer: 12 clock hours, 1.0 hour must be in radiation protection.

(4) General nuclear medicine technologist: 24 hours total.

1. One clock hour in principles of radiation protection and exposure each year, a total of two hours each two-year period.

2. One clock hour in quality assurance each year, a total of two hours each two-year period.

3. The remaining 20 clock hours of continuing education in each two-year period must be in subjects directly related to nuclear medicine procedures as defined in 42.1(2) and approved by the agency.

• Individuals holding an additional category in CT, as specified in 42.2(9), must complete 6.0 of the 24.0 hours in CT-related courses.

• Individuals not holding the additional category in CT may not submit continuing education hours in CT.

(5) Limited nuclear medicine technologists: 12 hours total, 1.0 hour must be radiation protection and 1.0 hour must be in quality assurance.

(6) Radiation therapist, dosimetrist, simulation therapist: 24.0 clock hours, 1.0 hour must be in radiation protection. Continuing education courses must be directly related to radiation therapy as defined in 42.1(2) and approved by the agency.

1. Individuals holding an additional category in CT, as specified in 42.2(9), must complete 6.0 of the 24.0 hours in CT-related courses.

2. Individuals not holding an additional category in CT may not submit continuing education hours in CT.

(7) Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

(8) Radiologist assistant: See 641—42.6(136C).

(9) Podiatric radiographer: See 42.7(5).

*b.* Continuing education course approval.

(1) Information must be submitted in writing and must provide sufficient detail to show that the course meets the relevancy requirements of these rules and the agency guidelines.

(2) Following its review, the agency will, in consultation with or under predetermined guidance of the technical advisory committee, approve, disapprove, or request additional information on the proposed course.

(3) The agency may audit any continuing education course to verify the adequacy of program content and delivery.

(4) Courses must be at least one clock hour in length and if lasting more than one hour, will be assigned credit in half-hour increments to the closest half-hour.

(5) No continuing education credit is approved for passing an initial certification examination or for basic CPR, hands-on practice, mandatory abuse reporting, or ultrasound or MRI courses that are less than 50 percent directly related to radiography, nuclear medicine, or radiation therapy.

(6) One-half hour of credit will be granted for each hour of formal demonstration of equipment by the application specialist. Content must be company-specific but not site-specific. Credit is limited to 50 percent of the total hours required.

(7) Courses will be approved for a three-year period and may be given anytime within the three-year period.

*c.* Continuing education credit will be awarded under provisions of 42.2(3) by the department to individuals:

(1) Who have successfully completed a continuing education course which has been approved by the department.

(2) Who present a department-approved continuing education course to individuals certified in the presenter's field. Credit granted shall be at a rate of two times the amount of time it takes to present the course up to a maximum of 50 percent of the total hours required.

(3) Only once during a two-year period for the same continuing education course.

(4) Who complete 12.0 hours of tumor boards each two-year reporting period. Tumor board credit is limited to general radiographers, nuclear medicine technologists, and radiation therapists.

(5) Who complete all credit hours in self-studies. A self-study may not be repeated in subsequent reporting periods.

(6) Who pass an advanced ARRT certification examination in a permit-related area. Twenty-four hours will be granted.

*d.* Continuing education must be directly related to the area of practice of the operator attending the program. Twenty-five percent of the total hours required may be in "special category."

*e.* Proof of continuing education must be maintained for at least three years. Proof of continuing education may be a sign-in sheet, certificate, or answer sheet. It must be signed and dated by the presenter, program representative, or the individual's supervisor. Individuals authorized for mammography must meet the records requirements in 641—41.6(136C) and 641—41.7(136C).

*f.* All continuing education requirements shall be completed during the two-year period prior to the certification continuing education due date.

*g.* Late submission of continuing education requirements.

(1) For any individual who completes the required continuing education before the continuing education due date but fails to submit the required proof within 30 days after the continuing education due date, the certification shall be terminated and the renewal fee will not be refunded.

(2) Any individual who fails to complete the required continuing education before the continuing education due date but submits a written plan of correction to obtain the required hours and the fee required in 641—paragraph 38.8(6)"c" shall be allowed no more than 60 days after the original continuing education due date to complete the plan of correction and submit the documentation of completion of continuing education requirements. After 60 days, the certification shall be terminated and the individual shall not function as a diagnostic radiographer, radiation therapist, nuclear medicine technologist, radiologist assistant, or podiatric radiographer in Iowa.

(3) Once certification has been terminated, any individual who requests permission to reestablish certification within six months of the initial continuing education due date must submit proof of continuing education hours and shall submit a late fee as set forth in 641—paragraph 38.8(6) “c” in addition to the annual fee set forth in 641—paragraph 38.8(6) “a” in order to obtain reinstatement of certification.

**42.2(4) Recertification.**

a. If an individual allows the certification to expire for any reason or if any individual voluntarily terminates certification, the following will apply:

(1) Any individual who wishes to regain certification and makes application within six months of the termination date will be allowed to do so with no additional training or testing required but must complete any delinquent continuing education.

(2) Any individual who wishes to regain certification after the six-month period will need to meet the current educational and testing requirements for that particular certification. Proof of possession of a previous certification may satisfy the training portion of this requirement.

(3) Any individual who has not renewed certification for at least two years and wants to regain certification, or who has not applied for certification within two years of the completion date of the original training course, will need to complete a recertification program approved by the department of not less than 24 contact hours for general certifications and 12 contact hours for limited certifications which specifically applies to the area of certification.

(4) Podiatric radiographers must meet the requirements of 42.7(6).

b. Recertification programs.

(1) The recertification program must review those basic principles necessary to ensure minimum competency in the certification area and must also include the satisfactory completion of a written examination. Both the program and the examination must acquire prior approval from the department. Courses designed for use in the recertification program will not qualify for continuing education credit for those individuals required to attend in order to recertify.

(2) If no approved programs are available, the department may require attendance for a minimum of 24 contact hours for general certifications and 12 hours for limited certifications at specific continuing education programs. The continuing education must be confined to subjects which apply to the area of certification limitation, if any, and would have to be completed within a specified time period.

c. Exemptions. Any or all of the above-mentioned requirements may be waived for an individual who has been actively employed in the certification area in another state, country, or federal institution or who can prove circumstances above and beyond the norm. These cases will be reviewed on an individual basis and the decision of the department shall be final.

d. Training programs. Rescinded IAB 4/3/02, effective 5/8/02.

e. Upon the completion of the recertification training, the following must be submitted:

(1) A statement of competency from the trainer.

(2) A statement of permission to allow a representative of the department to comprehensively evaluate whether the individual meets the training standard.

**42.2(5) Fees.** Rescinded IAB 4/11/07, effective 5/16/07.

**42.2(6) Training programs.**

a. Any individual wishing to train an individual as a diagnostic radiographer, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist must submit a training program to the agency for approval. This provision includes individuals providing clinical training for out-of-state students. For radiologist assistants, see 641—42.6(136C). For podiatric radiographers, see 641—42.7(136C). No training may be started until written approval from the agency is received. The training request must provide, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An outline of the didactic and clinical studies to meet the requirements of 42.3(1), 42.4(2), or 42.5(2), as applicable.

(2) Listed body parts to be taught if this is a limited radiography training program. Procedures are limited to chest, extremities, spinal, or sinus radiography.

(3) Proof that:

1. The instructor of a general training program meets the requirements of this chapter as a two-year educated diagnostic radiographer, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist holding a current Iowa general permit to practice and having at least two years of current experience or is a licensed physician trained in the specific area of the training program.

2. The instructor of a limited training program meets the following:

- The principal instructor of a limited training program is a general radiographer holding a current Iowa permit to practice and having at least two years of current experience or is a licensed physician trained in the specific area of the training program.

- The on-site clinical instructor is a general radiographer holding a current Iowa permit to practice and having at least two years of current experience or is a limited radiographer holding a current Iowa permit to practice in the area of instruction and having at least two years of current experience. On-site clinical instructors shall be supervised by the principal instructor.

(4) A time schedule of the training program. The projected completion date of the clinical portion of the program or course of study shall be within a time period equal to or less than twice that required for the original program or course of study.

(5) A description of the testing to be used to determine proficiency of the didactic portion and the mechanism to be used to determine clinical competency. All clinical competency testing shall be conducted by the principal instructor.

(6) A statement of permission to allow a representative of the agency to periodically evaluate the progress of the student. The agency will evaluate all non-school students.

(7) A statement that the student will be directly supervised until the student's competency is documented and indirectly supervised after the student's competency is documented.

b. Upon the completion of the training program, the following must be submitted to the agency:

(1) A statement of competency from the trainer for each area completed.

(2) A statement of permission to allow a representative of the agency to comprehensively evaluate whether the individual meets the training standard.

c. Additional training for limited radiographers wishing to perform pediatric radiography. Training requires a general radiographer to submit to the agency a training program that includes the additional anatomy and physiology, positioning, radiation protection, technique, and film critique necessary for pediatrics. The training must include both chest and extremities but no spinal radiography. The program must include didactic instruction plus film critique time. Upon completion of training, the general radiographer must submit a letter of competency to the agency. No additional testing will be required.

**42.2(7) Requirements for operators of dual imaging devices.**

a. When a unit is operated as a stand-alone nuclear medicine imaging device, the operator must have a permit to practice as a nuclear medicine technologist and meet the requirements of 641—42.4(136C).

b. When the unit is operated as a stand-alone CT imaging device, the operator must have a permit to practice as a general diagnostic radiographer, nuclear medicine technologist, or radiation therapist and meet the requirements of 42.2(9).

c. When a unit is operated in dual mode as a SPECT/CT or PET/CT device, the operator must have a permit to practice as a nuclear medicine technologist and meet the requirements of 42.2(9).

**42.2(8) Examinations.** All individuals seeking certification under 641—Chapter 42 must pass a written examination before the permit can be issued. The individual is allowed to practice under the direct supervision of a licensed practitioner, an authorized user listed on a radioactive materials license, or a permitted individual with the permit in the same or higher category until the permit is issued provided the test is pending. Individuals who fail the examination three times will be required to satisfactorily complete the training course again.

**42.2(9) Specific requirements for CT certification.**

a. Operators of CT units must meet the following requirements:

(1) Hold certification as a general diagnostic radiographer, radiation therapist, or nuclear medicine technologist;

(2) Complete the manufacturer's training or an agency-approved equivalent training course. Training must include equipment operation, contrast media, sectional anatomy, and CT radiation protection and be at least 15.0 hours in length. Initial training may be used as continuing education in the reporting period taken if approved by the agency. Passing the ARRT certification examination in CT will meet the training requirement; and

(3) Complete 6.0 hours of continuing education in CT-related subjects each two-year reporting period. These hours may be a part of the 24.0 hours of continuing education required in 42.2(3) "a" (1), (4), and (6).

b. Proof of initial training shall be forwarded to the agency for review.

c. "CT" must be on the individual's permit in order for the individual to perform CT scans.

#### **641—42.3(136C) Specific requirements for diagnostic radiographers.**

##### **42.3(1) Training requirements.**

a. General diagnostic radiographer. Successful completion of a Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology approved course of study, certification by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or the American Registry of Clinical Radiography Technologists, or equivalent agency-approved training courses designed to prepare the student to demonstrate competency in the following areas:

(1) Radiation protection of patients and workers, including monitoring, shielding, units of measurement and permissible levels, biological effects of radiation, and technical consideration in reducing radiation exposure and frequency of retakes;

(2) Technique and quality control to achieve diagnostic objectives with minimum patient exposure, including X-ray examinations, X-ray production, films, screens, holders and grids, technique conversions, film processing, artifacts, image quality, film systems and control of secondary radiation for the specified category;

(3) Patient care including, but not limited to, aseptic techniques, emergency procedures and first aid, and contrast media;

(4) Positioning, including normal and abnormal anatomy and projections;

(5) Radiographic equipment and operator maintenance to include X-ray tubes, grids, standardization of equipment, generators, preventive maintenance, basic electricity, film processors and maintenance, collimators, X-ray control consoles, tilt tables, ancillary equipment, fluoroscopes and electrical and mechanical safety;

(6) Special techniques, including stereo, body section radiography, pelvimetry, image intensification, photo timing and mobile units; and

(7) Clinical experience sufficient to demonstrate competency in the application of the above as specified in the "Standards for an Accredited Education Program in Radiologic Sciences" as adopted by the Joint Review Committee on Education on Radiologic Technology. Clinical experience for each area must be directly supervised by a formally educated general radiographer until competency for the area is completed. After competency is completed, indirect supervision is permitted. All retakes and portable radiography must be directly supervised.

b. Limited diagnostic radiographer.

(1) Completion of an approved course of study to prepare the student to demonstrate competency in the following areas:

1. Radiation protection of patients and workers including monitoring, shielding, units of measurement and permissible levels, biological effects of radiation, and technical considerations in reducing radiation exposure and frequency of retakes;

2. Technique and quality control to achieve diagnostic objectives with minimum patient exposure to include X-ray examination, X-ray production, films, screens, holders and grids, technique conversions, film processing, artifacts, image quality, film systems and control of secondary radiation for the specified category;

3. Patient care including, but not limited to, aseptic techniques, emergency procedures and first aid;

4. Positioning, including normal and abnormal anatomy and projections for the specific category;  
5. Radiographic equipment and operator maintenance to include X-ray tubes, grids, standardization of equipment, generators, preventive maintenance, basic electricity, film processors and maintenance, collimators, X-ray control consoles, tilt tables, ancillary equipment, and electrical and mechanical safety;

6. Special techniques limited to those required by the specific category; and

7. Clinical experience sufficient to demonstrate competency in the application of the above as specified by the department. Clinical experience must be directly supervised by a two-year educated general radiographer, licensed physician, chiropractor, or podiatrist who physically observes and critiques the actual X-ray procedures.

8. Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

(2) Training required for limited radiographers who wish to perform pediatric radiography. The training program must:

1. Be submitted to the agency for approval before training starts.

2. Be taught by a general radiographer.

3. Include 4.0 hours of additional anatomy and physiology, positioning, radiation protection, and technique that are specific to pediatric radiography.

4. Include clinical and film critiques in pediatric chest and extremities radiography, but not spinal radiography.

5. Upon completion, verify each participant's competency, in writing, to the agency.

c. Limited in-hospital diagnostic radiographer. An individual employed in a diagnostic radiography facility which has a workload of less than 5000 examinations per year and which provides 24-hour service in a hospital will be permitted to apply X-radiation to any part of the human body at that facility if the individual completes a training program recognized by the department, as outlined in 42.1(4) "b"(1) and submits a letter from a board-certified or board-eligible radiologist who verifies in writing the specific procedures the individual is competent to perform. The training program must cover the areas outlined in 42.1(4) "b," the anatomy and physiology of the entire body, positioning and techniques relative to the procedures to be performed, and appropriate clinical training which includes all parts of the human body. Training received under this subrule is specific to the facility and must be reevaluated by the department before an individual may transfer to another facility.

d. Graduates of programs recognized by the Iowa department of public health in consultation with the professional societies and boards of examiners for appropriate courses of study in diagnostic radiography will be considered to meet the requirements of this rule.

**42.3(2) School accreditation.** Rescinded IAB 4/11/07, effective 5/16/07.

**42.3(3) Examinations.**

a. All individuals seeking to perform diagnostic radiography must, in addition to meeting the requirements in subrule 42.3(1), take and satisfactorily pass a written examination. Examination must include the following subject matter for each category of radiographer:

(1) General diagnostic radiographer and limited in-hospital radiographer: radiation protection, radiation physics, radiographic and fluoroscopic techniques, special procedures, patient care, positioning, equipment maintenance, anatomy, contrast media, physiology, quality control, radiographic processing and clinical experience.

(2) Limited diagnostic radiographer: radiation protection, radiation physics, radiographic techniques, patient care, positioning, equipment maintenance, anatomy, physiology, quality control, and radiographic processing and clinical experience for the specific permit to practice requested.

(3) Contents of the examinations will be established and periodically revised by the department in consultation with the technical advisory committee.

b. Examinations will be given by the department at least annually, or as necessary, at course of study location or other location determined by the department.

c. The agency may accept, in lieu of its own examination, evidence of satisfactory performance in an examination given by an appropriate organization or testing service provided that the agency finds the organization or service to be competent to examine applicants in the discipline of radiography.

For purposes of this subrule, individuals who have passed the general radiography examination with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or American Registry of Clinical Radiography Technologists meet the testing requirements of 42.3(3). Individuals who have passed the limited radiography examination with the American Registry of Chiropractic Radiography Technologists meet the testing requirements of 42.3(3) for limited radiography in spines and extremities.

*d.* Any individual certified under these rules and exempted from examination is exempted from examination requirements as long as the initial certification remains in effect.

**42.3(4) Exemptions.**

*a.* Students enrolled in and participating in an approved program or approved course of study for diagnostic radiography, or an approved school of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, and chiropractic who, as a part of their course of study, apply ionizing radiation to a human being while under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.

*b.* Licensed practitioners as defined in 641—Chapter 38.

*c.* Individuals who operate processors only.

**641—42.4(136C) Specific requirements for nuclear medicine technologists.**

**42.4(1) Specific eligibility requirements.**

*a.* Any individual who is registered in nuclear medicine technology with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists meets the education and testing requirements of this rule.

*b.* Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

**42.4(2) Training requirements.**

*a.* General nuclear medicine technologist. Successful completion of a Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine approved course of study or equivalent agency-approved training courses designed to prepare the student to demonstrate competency in the following:

- (1) Basic anatomy, physiology, and pathology.
- (2) Intravenous injections and radiopharmaceutical chemistry.
- (3) Radiation physics and mathematics.
- (4) Nuclear instrumentation.
- (5) Radiation biology.
- (6) Radiation protection and radiation protection standards and codes.
- (7) Laboratory procedures and techniques (in vivo and in vitro).
- (8) Clinical application of radiopharmaceuticals used for diagnostic and therapeutic uses and duties performed by the technologist during sealed source procedures.
- (9) Records and administrative procedures.
- (10) Medical ethics.
- (11) Patient care.

*b.* Limited nuclear medicine technologist. Successful completion of a department-approved training program that prepares the student to demonstrate competency in a specified area. Each program shall include the items in 42.4(2) “*a*” that are specific to the limited area. Included are laboratory technologists who perform nuclear medicine procedures unless the material handled is regulated under 641—paragraph 39.4(22) “*i*.”

*c.* Graduates of programs recognized by the department in consultation with the professional societies and others as being adequate and appropriate courses of study in nuclear medicine technology may be considered to meet the requirements of this subrule.

*d.* Clinical experience must be directly supervised by a certified nuclear medicine technologist or by a physician who appears as an authorized user on an Iowa, agreement state, or U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission radioactive materials license. Quality assurance and quality control experience may be directly supervised by a pharmacist who appears as an authorized nuclear pharmacist on an Iowa, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or agreement state radioactive materials license.

**42.4(3) Examinations.**

*a.* Any individual, other than a licensed physician, seeking certification as a general nuclear medicine technologist shall, in addition to the requirements of 42.4(2) successfully complete a written



examination including the subject matter specified in 42.4(2)“a.” The following organizations offer approved general examinations:

- (1) American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.
- (2) Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board.

*b.* Any individual certified under these rules shall be exempt from the examination requirements as long as the original certification remains in effect.

*c.* Any individual, other than a licensed physician, seeking certification as a limited nuclear medicine technologist shall, in addition to the requirements of 42.4(2)“b,” successfully complete a written examination approved by the department which includes the subject matter specified in 42.4(2)“b.”

*d.* Any individual holding a temporary certification must successfully complete an approved examination within six months of the issuance date of the temporary certification.

**42.4(4) Exemptions.**

*a.* Students enrolled in and participating in an approved program or approved course of study for nuclear medicine technology or an approved school of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, or chiropractic who, as a part of their course of study, administer radioactive material to a human being while under the supervision of a licensed physician who appears as an authorized user on an Iowa, agreement state, or NRC radioactive materials license.

*b.* A licensed physician who appears as an authorized user on an Iowa or NRC radioactive materials license.

**641—42.5(136C) Specific requirements for radiation therapists.**

**42.5(1) Specific eligibility requirements.** Each individual shall meet one of the following:

*a.* Any individual who is registered in radiation therapy with the American Registry of Radiological Technologists in radiation therapy meets the education and testing requirements of this rule.

*b.* Rescinded IAB 3/30/05, effective 5/4/05.

**42.5(2) Training requirements.**

*a.* General radiation therapist. Successful completion of a Joint Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology approved course of study or equivalent agency-approved training courses designed to prepare the student to demonstrate didactic and clinical competency in radiation therapy including, but not limited to, anatomy, physiology, radiation physics, radiation protection and exposure, quality assurance, radiation oncology treatment techniques, dosimetry, radiation oncology and pathology, radiology, oncologic patient care and management.

*b.* Limited radiation therapist. Successful completion of a training program approved by the department to prepare the student to demonstrate competency in a specified area only. This includes the simulation therapist. Each program shall include the items in 42.5(2)“a” that are specific to the limited area.

*c.* Graduates of programs recognized by the department in consultation with the professional societies and others as being adequate and appropriate courses of study in radiation therapy technology may be considered to meet the requirements of this subrule.

*d.* Clinical experience must be directly supervised by a radiation therapist or radiation oncologist.

**42.5(3) Examinations.**

*a.* Any individual, other than licensed physicians, seeking certification as a radiation therapist shall, in addition to the requirements of 42.5(2), satisfactorily complete a written examination in radiation therapy technology approved by the department. An approved examination is offered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

*b.* Any individual certified under these rules and exempted from examination is exempt from examination requirements as long as the initial certification remains in effect.

*c.* Any individual seeking to perform simulation radiography only must successfully complete an approved examination in either diagnostic radiography or radiation therapy.

*d.* Any individual holding a temporary certification must successfully complete an approved examination within six months of the issuance date of the temporary certification.

**42.5(4) Exemptions.**

*a.* Students enrolled in and participating in an approved program or approved course of study for radiation therapy technology or an approved school of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, or chiropractic who, as a part of their course of study, administer radiation therapy to a human being while under the supervision of a licensed physician in the state of Iowa.

*b.* A licensed physician in the state of Iowa.

**641—42.6(136C) Specific eligibility requirements for radiologist assistant.**

**42.6(1)** Any person seeking a permit to practice as a radiologist assistant shall:

*a.* Hold a current permit to practice as a general radiographer in Iowa under 641—42.3(136C).

*b.* Have three years of experience as a general diagnostic radiographer. Experience in ultrasound, MRI, or nuclear medicine does not qualify.

*c.* Satisfactorily complete an advanced academic program approved by this agency and encompassing a nationally recognized radiologist assistant curriculum which has a radiologist-directed clinical preceptorship.

*d.* Satisfactorily complete a proficiency examination for radiologist assistants that is recognized by this agency.

*e.* Upon completion of the above, apply for a permit to practice as a radiologist assistant.

*f.* Work only under the supervision of a board-certified or board-eligible radiologist in medicine or osteopathy.

**42.6(2)** Performance standards.

*a.* A radiologist assistant may not interpret images, make diagnoses, or prescribe medications or therapies.

*b.* A radiologist assistant is limited to the clinical activities in Appendix A of this chapter.

**42.6(3)** Continuing education. A radiologist assistant must complete 12.0 hours of continuing education each year that must be specific to the discipline or speciality of the radiologist assistant's area of practice. Hours earned to meet this requirement shall not be used to satisfy the continuing education requirement for a general permit to practice.

**641—42.7(136C) Specific requirements for podiatric radiographers.**

**42.7(1)** Training requirements. Any person wishing to operate radiation-emitting equipment for purposes of podiatric radiography shall:

*a.* Complete an approved program or course of study that includes the following:

(1) Didactic training in podiatric radiological practices including radiation health, safety, and physics, lower extremity anatomy and physiology, positioning techniques, infection control, and equipment maintenance with efficiencies to minimize radiation exposure and frequency of retakes. The didactic training shall be at least 15 hours in length; and

(2) A radiographic clinical program sufficient to demonstrate proficiency to a podiatric sponsor.

Training shall:

1. Include equipment maintenance, exposures and positioning, image processing, image evaluation for quality, and display and storage of radiographic images;

2. Include at least 50 total exposures. Exposures must be taken in at least 20 working days in a podiatric office or clinic;

3. Be directly supervised by a podiatrist, general radiographer, or certified podiatric radiographer; and

4. Not be started until notification of the desire to conduct a clinical training program has been submitted to this agency and verification of approval has been received by the podiatric sponsor; and

(3) Upon completion of the training in 42.7(1) "a," submit a form signed by the clinical podiatric sponsor certifying completion of and competency of 42.7(1) "a"(2); and

*b.* Pass a written examination approved by this agency; or

*c.* Meet the requirements of this rule after submission of proof that the individual holds a current certificate in podiatric radiography issued by another state, jurisdiction, agency or recognized professional registry provided that the agency finds that the standards, procedures, and examinations are equivalent to 641—42.7(136C).

**42.7(2) Examination.**

*a.* The examination shall be given by an agency-approved entity and proctored by appropriate personnel.

*b.* The passing score shall be 70 percent or greater.

*c.* Any individual who fails the examination in three tries must successfully repeat the didactic portion of the training program before testing again.

**42.7(3) Exemptions.**

*a.* Students enrolled and participating in an approved course of clinical study for podiatric radiographers or an approved school of medicine, osteopathy, or podiatry who, as part of their course of study, may apply ionizing radiation to a human being while under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.

*b.* Licensed practitioners as defined in 641—Chapter 38.

**42.7(4) Application for certification.** Any individual seeking certification under rule 641—42.7(136C) shall:

*a.* Graduate from high school or its equivalent;

*b.* Be at least 18 years of age;

*c.* Be able to adequately perform necessary duties without constituting a hazard to the health and safety of patients or operators;

*d.* Satisfactorily complete the agency-approved didactic and clinical training;

*e.* Satisfactorily complete the agency-approved examination;

*f.* Upon completion of “*d*” and “*e*,” apply to the agency for a permit to practice and pay a fee of \$25;

*g.* Submit an annual renewal application that includes the \$25 fee;

*h.* Submit copies of proof of completion of continuing education required in subrule 42.7(5);

*i.* Post the permit at the individual’s place of employment;

*j.* Work only under the supervision of a licensed practitioner as defined in 641—Chapter 38;

*k.* Submit a written report of any misdemeanor or felony, any disciplinary action brought against the individual in connection with a certificate or license issued from a certifying or licensing entity, or any disciplinary action brought against the individual by an employer or patient.

**42.7(5) Continuing education requirements.**

*a.* Each individual certified under rule 641—42.7(136C) shall, during a two-year period, obtain two clock hours of continuing education.

*b.* Hours may be satisfied by attending courses in podiatric radiography approved by this agency or given by the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) or the Iowa Podiatric Medical Society (IPMS).

*c.* Proofs of completion shall be retained by the podiatric radiographer for four years.

*d.* For late submission of continuing education, the requirements in 42.2(3) “*g*” shall apply.

**42.7(6) Recertification.**

*a.* If an individual allows the certification to expire for any reason or if any individual voluntarily terminates certification, the following shall apply:

(1) Any individual who wishes to regain certification and makes application within six months of the termination date will be allowed to do so with no additional training or testing required but must complete any delinquent continuing education.

(2) Any individual who wishes to regain certification after two years must complete an approved training program and pass the required examination as required in 42.7(1) and 42.7(2).

*b.* Reserved.

**42.7(7)** Any licensed podiatrist who permits an individual to perform podiatric radiography contrary to this chapter shall be subject to discipline by the board of podiatric examiners pursuant to 645—Chapter 224.

## Appendix A

In order for the radiologist assistant to perform the following procedures, the radiologist must be immediately available to communicate with the radiologist assistant. The radiologist is ultimately responsible for the care provided by the radiologist assistant.

Clinical Activities
<p>Perform the following fluoroscopic examinations and procedures including contrast media administration and operation of the fluoroscopic unit. Examinations and procedures must follow written procedures established by the supervising radiologist.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Upper GI.</li> <li>b. Esophagus.</li> <li>c. Small bowel studies.</li> <li>d. Barium enema.</li> <li>e. Cystogram.</li> <li>f. T-tube cholangiogram.</li> <li>g. Nasoenteric and oroenteric feeding tube placement.</li> <li>h. Port injection.</li> <li>i. Swallowing study.</li> <li>j. Hysterosalpingogram (imaging only).</li> <li>k. Fistulogram/sonogram.</li> <li>l. Loopogram.</li> <li>m. Shoulder or knee joint injection/aspiration (under fluoroscopy).</li> </ol> <p>In order to approve other procedures, the radiologist must submit a request in writing that specifies the scope of the procedure and verifies the competency of the radiologist assistant who will perform the procedure. The approval will be limited to the radiologist assistant named in the request.</p>

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CHAPTER 43  
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR RADON TESTING AND ANALYSIS

**641—43.1(136B) Purpose and scope.** This chapter establishes requirements for the certification of radon measurement specialists and radon measurement laboratories. All persons performing measurements for radon or radon progeny in buildings, other than those which they own or occupy, and who provide the results of these measurements to the owner or occupant of these structures must be certified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

**641—43.2(136B) Definitions.** The following words and terms when used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“*Act*” means the Iowa Radon Testing Act (Iowa Code chapter 136B).

“*Building*” means a structure enclosed with exterior walls or fire walls, built, erected and framed of component structural parts, and designed for the housing, shelter, enclosure and support of individuals.

“*Certified person*” means a certified radon measurement specialist or certified radon measurement laboratory as defined by this chapter.

“*Certified radon measurement laboratory (certified laboratory)*” means a commercial laboratory which may analyze samples or test for radon decay products and meets the provisions for certification in this chapter.

“*Certified radon measurement specialist (certified specialist)*” means an individual who performs radon or radon progeny measurements in buildings and provides professional or expert advice on radon and radon progeny measurements, radon entry routes, and other radon-related activities; is knowledgeable in the health risk associated from exposure to radon; and who meets the provisions for certification in this chapter.

“*Compensation*” means any form of monetary gain which in any way directly or indirectly results from a radon or radon progeny measurement being conducted.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*EPA*” means the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

“*Laboratory*” means any person performing analysis, not at a testing site, on a passive device to measure radon or radon progeny (charcoal canister, alpha-track, electret, etc.).

“*NEHA*” means the National Environmental Health Association.

“*NRSB*” means the National Radon Safety Board.

“*Person*” means an individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, agency, any other state or political subdivision or agency, and a legal successor, representative, agency or agencies of the entities listed in this paragraph.

“*Picocurie per liter*” means a quantity of radioactive material per liter of air that will produce 2.2 disintegrations per minute of radiation. It may be used as a measure of the concentration of radon gas in air. One curie is equivalent to one trillion picocuries.

“*Radon*” means the radioactive noble gas radon-222.

“*Radon progeny*” means the short-lived radionuclides formed as a result of the decay of radon-222, including polonium-218, lead-214, bismuth-214, and polonium-214.

“*Working level (WL)*” means the concentration of radon progeny that will result in 130,000 million electron volts of alphanparticle energy released per liter of air. Working level is a measure of radon decay product concentration in air.

**641—43.3(136B) General provisions.**

**43.3(1)** Except as provided in this chapter, no person may test for the presence of radon or radon progeny in the state of Iowa unless the person has been certified by the department of public health. This requirement also applies to persons whose place of business is located in Iowa, or in a state other than Iowa, and who offer radon testing to residents of Iowa either directly or through the mail.

**43.3(2)** Individual qualifications for radon measurement specialist. No individual may be certified as a radon measurement specialist unless all of the following conditions are met:

*a.* Be at least 18 years of age at the time of application;

*b.* Possess two years of relevant professional work experience. Relevant postsecondary education may be substituted for professional work experience. Relevant postsecondary education includes a college curriculum in architecture, engineering, building construction or the physical sciences. Relevant professional work experience includes house testing/evaluation for the presence of radon, design and installation of heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems, design or construction of buildings, or related activities approved by the department of public health;

*c.* Use detection devices approved by EPA and the department to measure radon. The detection device must be obtained from an Iowa certified radon measurement laboratory. When a portable electronic detection device is used, the device must be calibrated on at least an annual basis by the manufacturer, or by persons acceptable to the department. The records of calibration must be maintained for review by the department or agents of the department.

**43.3(3)** Individual qualifications for radon measurement laboratory. No business may be certified as a radon measurement laboratory unless the business:

*a.* Is successfully enrolled with either the NEHA or NRSB Radon/Radon Progeny Measurement Proficiency Program (RMPP), and

*b.* Follows all applicable EPA and department protocols and guidelines.

**43.3(4)** No certification shall be approved unless the applicant demonstrates to the department that the following conditions are met:

*a.* Has in place a quality assurance plan and quality control procedures, approved by the department, for all measurements and equipment;

*b.* Has shown the ability or intention to comply with the Radon Testing and Abatement Act, Iowa Code chapter 136B, or this chapter, or has been able or willing to conduct radon-related activities forthrightly and honestly with the applicant's clients.

**43.3(5)** Requirements for continued certification shall include the following:

*a.* A certified person located within the state of Iowa shall allow the department, its agents, employees, and contractors, upon presentation of appropriate credentials, to have access without undue delay to the person's facilities, offices and files for inspection and examination of records and equipment. The certified person shall also allow the department, its agents, employees, and contractors to accompany the person while performing any radon measurement, for the purpose of inspection of those activities, with the approval of the property owner or resident on whose property the activities are being performed.

*b.* The certified person shall remain in compliance with the Act and this chapter.

#### **641—43.4(136B) Application for certification.**

**43.4(1)** An application for certification or renewal of certification as a radon measurement specialist or a radon measurement laboratory shall be filed on a form prescribed by the department and shall contain complete and accurate information.

*a.* An application for a radon measurement specialist must include:

(1) Proof of successful completion of a department-approved training course on radon/radon progeny measurements. A certificate of attendance is required.

(2) Proof of successful completion of an examination approved by this department. A letter from NEHA or NRSB showing a passing score for the radon measurement specialist examination fulfills this requirement.

(3) Proof of two years of postsecondary education in architecture, natural science, engineering, or a related discipline. A college transcript must be included to fulfill this requirement or a detailed resume evidencing two years of relevant professional work experience, such as conducting professional home inspections; or the design and installation of heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems; or the design or construction of buildings; or related activities approved by the department; or a combination of professional work experience and postsecondary education.

(4) A quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) plan for all measurement devices and equipment. If laboratory devices are used, the names and addresses of the Iowa certified radon measurement



laboratories must be included. If a continuous radon monitor is used, the name of the manufacturer, model, and picture of the monitor must be included. The manufacturer of any device used must have EPA or other national agency approval which indicates the device has been approved for measuring radon. Only measurement devices from Iowa certified radon measurement laboratories or a continuous radon monitor that has been satisfactorily calibrated and approved by the Iowa radon program are allowed for use in performing radon measurements.

(5) Standard operating procedures (SOPs). Procedures must include information concerning the placement and pickup of devices used, who performs the tests, and what measures will be used to ensure all tests are in conformance with EPA protocols and procedures.

(6) A signed statement that the individual will follow all EPA radon measurement guidelines and protocols.

(7) A signed statement that the individual will submit radon test results every 30 days to the Iowa radon program within the department. The radon test results may be submitted on a form, a diskette, or through E-mail in a manner that is approved by the department.

(8) A signed statement that the individual will keep all records for a minimum of five years after the radon test is completed.

(9) A copy of the confidentiality waiver that reports results to the customer as outlined in Iowa Code section 136B.2.

(10) A signed statement that the individual will submit to the department within 14 working days any changes in the original application and that the individual will acquire at least eight hours of continuing education credits every two years before certification is renewed.

(11) The fee specified in 43.4(6).

b. An application for a radon measurement laboratory must include:

(1) Proof of successful participation in the NEHA or NRSB Radon/Radon Progeny Measurement Proficiency Program.

(2) A quality assurance plan and quality control procedures for all measurements and equipment.

(3) A signed statement that all EPA, NEHA and NRSB and any department measurement guidelines and protocols will be followed.

(4) Name(s) and address(es) of any retail operation(s) selling the laboratory's testing service(s) within Iowa.

(5) A signed statement that all changes in the original application will be submitted to the department within 14 working days.

(6) The fee specified in 43.4(6).

**43.4(2)** The department may require the applicant to submit supplementary statements containing additional information to enable the department to determine whether an application should be approved or denied, or whether a previously issued certification should be amended, suspended, or revoked.

**43.4(3)** Each application or supplementary statement shall be signed by either the applicant personally, or a person authorized in writing by the applicant to do so on the applicant's behalf.

**43.4(4)** A certification will be valid for one year following the date of issuance. No radon measurement covered by this chapter can be conducted after the expiration of the term of certification unless an application for renewal certification has been received by the department 30 days prior to the expiration date of certification and is pending approval. If the application is rejected, no radon test or measurement may be conducted by that applicant in the state of Iowa if a financial arrangement is involved.

**43.4(5)** Renewal of an annual certification must contain all the information requested in the Notice of Renewal for certification along with the fee specified in subrule 43.4(6). The application to renew credentials must also include a signed and dated continuing education form and a copy of a course certificate which indicates the name of the individual receiving continuing education, the amount of continuing education the individual has received, and the date the continuing education course was given.

**43.4(6)** Radon certification fees. Any person wishing to become certified as a radon measurement specialist or as a radon measurement laboratory is required to pay fees sufficient to defray the cost of administering this chapter. Fees which must be submitted are as follows:

- a.* Application fee.
  - (1) Each person with Iowa residency wishing certification under the provisions of 641—43.1(136B) shall pay a nonrefundable \$25 application fee.
  - (2) Each person without Iowa residency wishing certification under 641—43.1(136B) shall pay a nonrefundable \$100 application fee.
- b.* Annual certification fee.
  - (1) Each individual requesting certification and renewing certification as a radon measurement specialist must pay a nonrefundable annual fee of \$250.
  - (2) Each person requesting certification and renewing certification as a radon measurement laboratory must pay a nonrefundable annual fee of \$500.
- c.* Each person wishing to give reciprocal recognition of credentials from another jurisdiction must pay the appropriate fees in 43.4(6).
- d.* Returned check and late fees. Persons who fail to pay required fees to the department are subject to the following penalty(ies):
  - (1) \$15 for each insufficient funds check submitted for payment of radon testing fees.
  - (2) \$25 per month for failure to pay annual radon testing certification fees starting after the annual renewal date or date of expiration.
- e.* If payment is not received and the certification has been expired 30 days, certification will be revoked immediately. In order to regain certification, the person must reapply and pay the appropriate fees as outlined in this subrule.

**641—43.5(136B) Revocation of certification.**

**43.5(1)** The department will consider revoking or suspending any certification, in whole or in part, for:

- a.* Any misstatement in the application or in any supplementary statement;
- b.* Any condition revealed by the application, supplementary statement, report, record, or other evidence, which would warrant the department's refusal to grant a certification on an original application;
- c.* Any violation or failure to observe any of the applicable terms or provisions of certification, the public health law, or any other applicable rule, regulation, code or order;
- d.* Being discontinued or removed from the NEHA or NRSB Radon/Radon Progeny Measurement Proficiency Program;
- e.* Not fully cooperating with the department or its agents when field evaluations are being conducted;
- f.* Not attending a scheduled meeting or inspection set up by the department or its agents, when the certified person was previously notified and agreed to the time and location of the inspection;
- g.* Not submitting radon test data as required in 641—43.6(136B).

**43.5(2)** The department may deny, suspend, revoke, modify the certification of a person, impose a civil penalty, or refer the case to the office of the county attorney for possible criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 136B, or any combination thereof, when it finds that a certified person or a person who is not certified has committed any of the following acts:

- a.* Failing to submit required information or notifications in a timely manner;
- b.* Failing to maintain the required records;
- c.* Falsifying approval records, qualifications, or other information or documentation related to licensing approval;
- d.* Failing to comply with the training standards and requirements in 43.3(2);
- e.* Submitting in the application for approval or reapproval false or misleading statements which the department relied upon in approving the application;
- f.* Failing to comply with federal, state, or local statutes and regulations, including the requirements of this chapter;
- g.* Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations involving radon, or engaging in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established;

*h.* Using untruthful or improbable statements in advertisements. Use of these statements includes, but is not limited to, the presentation of information to the public by training programs that is false, deceptive, or misleading, or that is promoted through fraud or misrepresentation;

*i.* Falsifying reports and records required by this chapter;

*j.* Accepting any fee by fraud or misrepresentation;

*k.* Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a certification or licensing authority of this state, another state, territory, or country; or failure by the firm or individual to report such action in writing within 30 days of the final action by such certification or licensing authority. A stay by an appellate court shall not negate this requirement; however, if such disciplinary action is overturned or reversed by a court of last resort, the report shall be expunged from the records of the board;

*l.* Failing to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order;

*m.* Representation by a firm or individual that the firm or individual is certified when the certification has been suspended or revoked or has not been renewed;

*n.* Failing to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication from the department that was sent by registered or certified mail;

*o.* Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation;

*p.* Failing to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failing to cooperate with a department investigation; or

*q.* Failing to pay costs assessed in any disciplinary action.

#### **641—43.6(136B) Reporting requirements.**

**43.6(1)** A certified person must submit to the department within 30 days after any radon/radon progeny testing, or at the request of the department prior to testing, the address or location of the building, the name and telephone number of the owner(s) of the building where the radon testing will be conducted and the results of any tests performed.

**43.6(2)** The results for each test conducted shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

*a.* The method used for radon or radon decay product testing, media tested, and conditions under which the testing was or will be performed.

*b.* The level or floor of building where the test(s) was or will be conducted.

*c.* The results of the test(s) in picocuries/liter (pCi/l) of radon gas or working level (WL) of radon decay products.

*d.* The date on which the test was or will be conducted.

*e.* The purpose of the test.

**43.6(3)** Rescinded IAB 5/29/91, effective 5/10/91.

**43.6(4)** A certified person shall:

*a.* Cooperate with the department when conducting field evaluations.

*b.* Notify the department within 14 days of any changes in testing results or procedures.

*c.* Not disclose to any other person, except to the department, the address or owner of a nonpublic building that was tested for radon gas or radon progeny, unless the owner of the building waives this right of confidentiality in writing.

**641—43.7(136B) Training and continuing education programs.** Each person conducting radon-related activities shall complete a radon measurement training program approved by the department. All certified individuals must participate in a continuing education program every other year that consists of a minimum of eight hours of department-approved courses or seminars on either radon measurement or mitigation or both.

**641—43.8(136B) Exemptions.** Certification requirements shall not apply to:

1. Those persons who test for radon/radon decay products in buildings that they own.

2. Those persons testing for radon/radon decay products as part of scientific research approved by the department.
3. State officials conducting radon testing as part of the state's radon testing program or local officials acting on behalf of the state, and approved by the department.
4. Officials conducting radon testing as part of government programs in the United States or contractors working for the United States government.

**641—43.9(136B) Enforcement.**

**43.9(1)** A certified individual who measures for radon or radon progeny in the state of Iowa must meet the requirements of this chapter.

**43.9(2)** Any laboratory providing analysis services for radon detectors used in Iowa must meet the provisions of this chapter.

**43.9(3)** Any certified individual is prohibited from using radon measurement devices in Iowa obtained from a laboratory which is not certified under the provisions of this chapter.

**641—43.10(136B) Penalties.** It is unlawful for an individual to function as a radon measurement specialist or radon measurement laboratory in violation of the provisions of the Iowa radon testing Act or of any rule adopted pursuant to the Act. Persons convicted of violating the provisions of the Act or the rules adopted pursuant to the Act shall be guilty of a serious misdemeanor (Iowa Code section 136B.5).

**641—43.11(136B) Persons exempted from certification.** Persons providing radon or radon progeny measurement devices to the public, but not conducting physical tests for the presence of radon or radon progeny with the measurement devices may do so under the following conditions:

1. They must provide measurement devices obtained from a laboratory certified in Iowa.
2. A valid visible expiration date must be permanently affixed to each measurement device.
3. In addition to the required laboratory instructions regarding measurement procedures, each measurement device must be accompanied by clear directions on where to obtain additional information and interpretation for test results. The certified laboratory or a certified specialist must be included as one of the sources of information and interpretation.

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CHAPTER 44  
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR RADON MITIGATION

**641—44.1(136B) Purpose and scope.** This chapter establishes requirements for the credentialing of radon mitigation specialists. All persons performing abatement for radon or radon progeny in buildings, other than buildings which the persons occupy or are constructing for their own occupancy, must be credentialed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Credentialed mitigation specialists are responsible for ensuring that all radon mitigation systems for which they are responsible are installed following guidelines that are provided in this chapter.

**641—44.2(136B) Definitions.** The following words and terms when used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“*Active mitigation system*” means any system or materials installed as an active part of a ventilation system used for the purpose of reducing radon or radon progeny concentrations by means of an in-line fan.

“*ASTMI E2121*” means the American Society for Testing Materials International E2121, Standard Practice for Radon Mitigation Systems in Existing Low-Rise Residential Buildings.

“*Credentialed radon mitigation specialist (mitigation specialist)*” means an individual who evaluates diagnostic tests to determine appropriate radon or radon progeny mitigation strategies for a building, designs mitigation systems, installs or supervises the installation of radon or radon progeny mitigation techniques on buildings, and meets the requirements for credentialing provided by this chapter.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Diagnostic tests*” means tests performed or procedures used to determine appropriate mitigation methods for a building.

“*EPA*” means the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

“*Mitigator*” means a person who installs mitigation systems for the purpose of abating radon levels within buildings.

“*Passive mitigation system*” means any system or materials installed for the purpose of reducing radon or radon progeny concentrations without the use of an in-line fan.

“*pCi/L*” means a measurement of radon in picocuries per liter.

“*Radon*” means the radioactive noble gas radon-222.

“*Radon progeny*” means the short-lived radionuclides formed as a result of the decay of radon-222.

“*RMS*” means EPA Radon Mitigation Standards.

“*Working level month (WLM)*” means a cumulative exposure to radon decay products calculated by multiplying the radon daughter concentration in units of working levels by the number of hours exposed and dividing by 170.

**641—44.3(136B) General provisions.**

**44.3(1)** Except as provided in this chapter, no person may mitigate for radon or radon progeny in Iowa for a fee or other remuneration unless such a person has been credentialed by the department.

**44.3(2)** Individual qualifications for radon mitigation specialist. No individual may be credentialed as a radon mitigation specialist unless all of the following conditions are met. The individuals shall:

a. Be at least 18 years of age at the time of application.

b. Possess three years of relevant professional work experience. Relevant postsecondary education may be substituted on a year-for-year basis for two of the three years of relevant professional work experience. Relevant postsecondary education includes a college curriculum in architecture, engineering, building construction, or the physical sciences. Relevant professional work experience includes the design or construction of buildings, or associated heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems, or closely related activities approved by the department.

c. Have successfully completed a combined radon measurement/mitigation course approved by the department and a radon mitigation examination approved by the department.

**44.3(3)** All applicants for credentialing must comply with Iowa Code chapter 136B and submit the following to the department:

*a.* An acceptable mitigation worker protection plan to follow when performing mitigation installations which includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) Procedures to follow to keep radiation exposure to workers as low as is reasonably achievable.
- (2) Methods to follow to reduce or minimize the radon concentration in the work area.
- (3) Criteria for wearing properly fitted respirators anytime the radon decay product level is above one working level.

*b.* An acceptable quality assurance plan to follow when performing mitigation installations which includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) A description of all diagnostic tests performed to determine the mitigation strategy, names of the individuals performing the diagnostic tests, and any other related services offered.
- (2) Ensuring that all instruments are properly calibrated according to the manufacturer's recommendations.
- (3) A description of all mitigation materials and systems offered.

*c.* A complete and accurate application on a form prescribed by the department.

**44.3(4)** Requirements for continued credentialing shall include, at a minimum, the following conditions:

*a.* An Iowa credentialed person shall allow the department, its agents, employees, and contractors, upon presentation of appropriate credentials and with just cause, to have access during regular business hours without undue delay to their facilities, offices and files for inspection and examination of records and equipment. Credentialed persons shall also allow the department, its agents, employees, and contractors to accompany them while performing any radon abatement measures, for the purpose of inspection of those activities, with the approval of the property owner or resident on whose property the activities are being performed.

*b.* The credentialed person shall remain in compliance with the Iowa Radon Testing and Abatement Act and this chapter. Any material changes in the information provided in the original application, including changes in credentialed personnel, shall be reported in writing to the department within ten working days of the change.

*c.* The credentialed person shall comply with department standards and all the requirements as stated in EPA's Radon Mitigation Standards (RMS) EPA 402-R-93-078, October 1993 (Revised April 1994) and ASTM E2121. All "shoulds" in the above document shall be "shalls" according to department standards.

**44.3(5)** A credentialed person shall:

- a.* Fully cooperate with the department or its agents when field evaluations are conducted.
- b.* Be present during scheduled visits by the department.
- c.* Not disclose to any other person, except to the department or its agents, the addressee or owner of a nonpublic building, the radon levels present in the building or abatement measures needed or performed, unless the building owner waives this right of confidentiality in writing.
- d.* Ensure that each building is tested for radon levels before and after mitigation work is performed. Such tests shall be of sufficient type, duration and consistency and shall be performed at such times and under such ventilation conditions as to allow for comparison of before and after mitigation radon levels. Premitigation and postmitigation radon tests shall be performed independently by a measurement specialist or technician who is not employed by the same firm as the mitigation specialist performing the mitigation. Postmitigation radon tests shall be started no sooner than one day after mitigation is completed. This requirement is not binding if the building owner waives the procedure, on a form prescribed by the department, before the mitigation process has started.

#### **641—44.4(136B) Application for credentialing.**

**44.4(1)** An application for credentialing or renewal of credentials as a radon mitigation specialist shall be filed on a form prescribed by the department, shall contain complete and accurate information and shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees as outlined in subrule 44.4(6).

**44.4(2)** The department may require the applicant to submit supplementary statements containing additional information to enable the department to determine whether an application should be approved or denied, or whether a previously issued credential should be amended, suspended, or revoked.

**44.4(3)** Each application or supplementary statement shall be signed by either the applicant personally, or a person authorized in writing by the applicant to do so on the applicant's behalf.

**44.4(4)** A credential will be valid for one year following the date of issuance. No radon abatement covered by this chapter can be commenced after the expiration of the term of credentialing unless an application for renewal has been received by the department within 30 days of the notice of expiration and the renewal application is deemed complete and acceptable by the department. All radon mitigation work commenced prior to expiration of credentialing must be completed within 30 days of the expiration date if renewal is not accomplished. If the application is rejected, no radon abatement may be conducted by that applicant in the state of Iowa if a financial arrangement is involved.

**44.4(5)** An application to renew credentials must be on a form approved by the department and must include the number of mitigation systems installed for the renewal period and any changes in the initial credentialing application, along with the fee specified in subrule 44.4(6).

**44.4(6)** Radon mitigation credentialing. Any person wishing to become credentialed as a radon mitigation specialist shall be required to pay fees sufficient to defray the cost of administering this chapter.

*a.* Application fee.

(1) Each person with Iowa residency wishing certification under the provisions of 641—Chapter 44 shall pay a nonrefundable \$25 application fee.

(2) Each person without Iowa residency wishing certification under 641—Chapter 44 shall pay a nonrefundable \$100 application fee.

*b.* Annual credentialing fee. Each individual requesting credentialing must:

(1) Pay an initial fee of \$150 which is refundable if credentialing is not completed.

(2) Pay annually a renewal fee of \$150 or a mitigation system installation surcharge fee of \$40 per mitigation system installed (as defined in 641—44.2(136B)) costing more than \$200, whichever is greater. With each renewal, a credentialed person must submit legal documentation of the number of mitigation systems installed the previous credentialing year. If an individual decides not to renew credentials the following year, all surcharge fees are to be paid in full within 30 days of the date of expiration of the credentials.

*c.* Returned check and late fees.

(1) Persons who fail to pay required fees to the department are subject to the following penalty(ies):

1. \$15 for each insufficient funds check submitted for payment of radon mitigation fees.
2. \$25 per month for failure to pay annual radon mitigation credentialing fees starting after the annual renewal date or date of expiration.

(2) If payment is not received and the certification has been expired 30 days, certification will be revoked immediately. In order to regain certification, the individual must reapply and pay the appropriate fees as outlined in this subrule.

*d.* Applications for initial and renewal credentialing must be submitted along with the appropriate fees specified in this subrule to the Division of Environmental Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The fee must be in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health and must include on the check or money order an indication of the purpose of the fee (i.e., radon mitigation credentialing).

*e.* Each person wishing to receive reciprocal recognition of credentialing from another jurisdiction must pay the appropriate fees as outlined in this subrule.

**641—44.5(136B) Revocation of credentialing.** The department will follow the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 17A when revoking or suspending any credentials, in whole or in part. The department may deny, suspend, revoke, or modify the credentials of a person, or may impose a civil penalty or may refer the case to the office of the county attorney for possible criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 136B when it finds that a credentialed person or a person who is not credentialed has committed any of the following acts:

1. Any material misstatement in the application or in any supplementary statement.
2. Any material misstatement in the renewal application or supplementary statement received upon renewal.
3. Any condition revealed by an inspection of the applicant, the application, supplementary statement, report, record, or other evidence, which would warrant refusal by the department's agents or employees to grant a credentialing on an original application.
4. Falsifying approval records, qualifications, or other information or documentation related to licensing approval.
5. Any violation or failure to observe any of the applicable terms or provisions of credentialing, the public health law, or any other applicable rule, radon testing rule, ordinance, regulation, code or order.
6. Not completing the installation of a radon mitigation system within 30 days of the start date or date contracted to start.
7. Failing to submit a complete and accurate renewal application form before the end of the renewal period which includes the fee specified in subrule 44.4(6).
8. Failing to correct any violation of EPA, ASTM, or department rules that was found during a previous inspection or any violation found on an initial inspection which, as determined by the department, jeopardizes the safety of the building or other occupants.
9. Accepting compensation for installing ineffective radon remedies or for not dropping radon levels below 4 pCi/L in the area or level of the building where a radon mitigation system was installed.
10. Accepting compensation for installing active or nonactive radon mitigation systems that are not acceptable to the department or that do not comply with the requirements of this chapter.
11. Failing to fully cooperate with the department or its agents when field evaluations are conducted.
12. Failing to attend a scheduled meeting or inspection set up by the department or its agents, when the person holding the credentials was previously notified and agreed to the time and location of the inspection.
13. Failing to submit required information or notifications in a timely manner.
14. Failing to maintain the required records in 641—44.6(136B), and in EPA's Radon Mitigation Standards (RMS) EPA 402-R-93-078, October 1993 (Revised April 1994), and ASTM E2121 (NOTE: EPA has incorporated E2121 by reference and retained EPA's Radon Mitigation Standards (RMS) in effect until at least 2007).
15. Failing to comply with the training standards and requirements in 641—44.7(136B).
16. Failing to comply with federal, state, or local statutes and regulations, including the requirements of this chapter.
17. Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations involving radon, or engaging in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established.
18. Using untruthful or improbable statements in advertisements. Use of these statements includes, but is not limited to, the presentation of information to the public by training programs that is false, deceptive, or misleading or that is promoted through fraud or misrepresentation.
19. Falsifying reports and records required by this chapter.
20. Accepting any fee by fraud or misrepresentation.
21. Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a certification or licensing authority of this state, another state, territory, or country; or failure by the firm or individual to report such action in writing within 30 days of the final action by such certification or licensing authority. A stay by an appellate court shall not negate this requirement; however, if such disciplinary action is overturned or reversed by a court of last resort, the report shall be expunged from the record.
22. Failing to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.
23. Representation by a firm or individual that the firm or individual is credentialed when the credential has been suspended or revoked or has not been renewed.



24. Failing to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication from the department or an agent of the department that was sent by registered or certified mail.
25. Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.
26. Failing to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with a department investigation.
27. Failing to pay costs assessed in any disciplinary action.

**641—44.6(136B) Additional record-keeping requirements.** A credentialed radon mitigation specialist shall maintain, for five years, a report of each mitigation activity which includes, but is not necessarily limited to:

1. The address or location of the building.
2. The name and phone number of the owner(s) of the building where the radon mitigation is conducted.
3. A written description of each mitigation system and materials installed, diagnostic test results and cost of each system.
4. The name of the certified radon measurement specialist or technician used to perform radon or radon progeny testing before and after radon mitigation of a building. This requirement does not apply if the building owner has waived the testing requirement set forth in 641—subrule 44.3(5) and the mitigation specialist maintains a copy of the signed waiver.
5. The results of any initial or follow-up radon or radon progeny measurements performed and the measurement methods utilized. This requirement does not apply if the building owner has waived the testing requirement set forth in 641—subrule 44.3(5) and the mitigation specialist maintains a copy of the signed waiver.
6. The results of the postmitigation radon measurements performed, including method of measurement and all pertinent dates. This requirement does not apply if the building owner has waived the testing requirement set forth in 641—subrule 44.3(5) and the mitigation specialist maintains a copy of the signed waiver.

**641—44.7(136B) Continuing education.** All credentialed individuals must participate in a continuing education program every other year that consists of a minimum of eight hours of department-approved courses or seminars on radon mitigation or measurement.

**641—44.8(136B) Exemptions.** Credentialing requirements shall not apply to:

1. Those persons who mitigate radon/radon decay products in buildings that they occupy for their own use.
2. Those persons mitigating radon/radon decay products as part of scientific research approved by the department.

**641—44.9(136B) Enforcement.** A credentialed individual who mitigates for radon or radon progeny in the state of Iowa must meet the requirements of Chapter 44.

**641—44.10(136B) Penalties.** It is unlawful for an individual to function as a radon mitigation specialist in violation of the provisions of the Iowa radon testing and abatement Act. Persons convicted of violating the provisions of the Iowa radon testing and abatement Act or 641—Chapter 44 shall be guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 136B.

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CHAPTER 45  
RADIATION SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR INDUSTRIAL  
RADIOGRAPHIC OPERATIONS

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**641—45.1(136C) General requirements for industrial radiography operations.**

**45.1(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* The rules in this chapter establish radiation safety requirements for using sources of radiation for industrial radiography. The requirements of this chapter are in addition to, and not in substitution for, other applicable requirements of 641—Chapters 38, 39, and 40. The rules in this chapter apply to all licensees or registrants who use sources of radiation for industrial radiography.

*b.* All references to any Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of May 3, 2006.

The provisions of 641—Chapter 38 are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other applicable portions of 641—Chapters 39 to 45.

**45.1(2) Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions of 641—Chapter 38 may also apply. As used in this chapter, the following definitions apply:

*“Annual refresher safety training”* means a review conducted or provided by the licensee for its employees on radiation safety aspects of industrial radiography. The review may include, as appropriate, the results of internal inspections, new procedures or equipment, new or revised regulations, accidents or errors that have been observed, and should also provide opportunities for employees to ask safety questions.

*“Associated equipment”* means equipment that is used in conjunction with a radiographic exposure device to make radiographic exposures that drives, guides, or comes in contact with the source, e.g., guide tube, control tube, control (drive) cable, removable source stop, “J” tube and collimator when it is used as an exposure head.

*“Cabinet X-ray system”* means an X-ray system with the X-ray tube installed in an enclosure independent of existing architectural structures except the floor on which it may be placed. The cabinet X-ray system is intended to:

1. Contain at least that portion of a material being irradiated;
2. Provide radiation attenuation; and
3. Exclude personnel from its interior during generation of radiation. Included are all X-ray systems designed primarily for the inspection of carry-on baggage at airline, railroad, and bus terminals, and in similar facilities. An X-ray tube used within a shielded part of a building, or X-ray equipment which may temporarily or occasionally incorporate portable shielding, is not considered a cabinet X-ray system.

*“Certifiable cabinet X-ray system”* means an existing uncertified X-ray system that has been modified to meet certification requirements specified in 21 CFR 1020.40.

*“Certified cabinet X-ray system”* means an X-ray system which has been certified in accordance with 21 CFR 1010.2 as being manufactured and assembled pursuant to the provisions of 21 CFR 1020.40.

*“Certifying entity”* means an independent certifying organization meeting the requirements of Appendix A in 10 CFR Part 34 or an agreement state meeting the requirements in Appendix A, Parts II and III of 10 CFR Part 34.

*“Collimator”* means a small radiation shield of lead or other heavy metal that is placed on the end of a guide tube or directly onto a radiographic exposure device to restrict the size of the radiation beam when the sealed source is cranked into position to make a radiographic exposure.

*“Control (drive) cable”* means the cable that is connected to the source assembly and used to drive the source to and from the exposure location.

*“Control drive mechanism”* means a device that enables the source assembly to be moved to and from the exposure device.

*“Control tube”* means a protective sheath for guiding the control cable. The control tube connects the control drive mechanism to the radiographic exposure device.

“*Crank-out device*” means the cable, protective sheath, and handcrank used to move the sealed source from the shielded to the unshielded position to make an industrial radiographic exposure.

“*Enclosed radiography*” means industrial radiography conducted in an enclosed cabinet or room and includes cabinet radiography and shielded-room radiography.

“*Exposure head*” means a device that locates the gamma radiography sealed source in the selected working position. (An exposure head is also known as a source stop.)

“*Field station*” means a facility where licensed material may be stored or used and from which equipment is dispatched.

“*Fluoroscopic imaging assembly*” means a subsystem in which X-ray photons produce a fluoroscopic image. It includes the image receptors such as the image intensifier and spot-film device, electrical interlocks, if any, and structural material providing linkage between the image receptor and source assembly.

“*GED*” means general educational development.

“*Guide tube (projection sheath)*” means a flexible or rigid tube (i.e., “J” tube) for guiding the source assembly and the attached control cable from the exposure device to the exposure head. The guide tube may also include the connections necessary for attachment to the exposure device and to the exposure head.

“*Hands-on experience*” means experience in all of those areas considered to be directly involved in the radiography process.

“*I.D. card*” means the document issued by the agency, another Agreement State, a licensing state, or third-party certification to industrial radiographers following completion of requirements stated in 45.1(10)“b.”

“*Independent certifying organization*” means an independent organization that meets all of the criteria of Appendix A in 10 CFR Part 34.

“*Lay-barge radiography*” means industrial radiography performed on any water vessel used for laying pipe.

“*Lixiscope*” means a portable light-intensified imaging device using a sealed source.

“*Lock-out survey*” means a radiation survey performed to verify that a sealed source is in its shielded position. The lock-out survey is performed before moving the radiographic exposure device or source changer to a new location or when securing the radiographic exposure device or source changer.

“*Minimal threat*” means that during the operations of electronic devices capable of generating or emitting fields of radiation:

1. No deliberate exposure of an individual occurs;
2. The radiation is not emitted in an open beam configuration; and
3. No known physical injury to an individual has occurred.

“*Offshore*” means within the territorial waters of the United States.

“*Offshore platform radiography*” means industrial radiography conducted from an offshore platform over a body of water.

“*Permanent radiographic installation*” means an enclosed shielded room, cell, or vault, not located at a temporary job site, in which radiography is performed.

“*Practical examination*” means a demonstration through practical application of the safety rules and principles in industrial radiography including use of all appropriate equipment and procedures.

“*Radiation safety officer*” means an individual named by the licensee or registrant who has a knowledge of, responsibility for, and authority to enforce appropriate radiation protection rules, standards, and practices on behalf of the licensee or registrant and who meets the requirements of 45.1(10)“d.”

“*Radiographer*” means any individual who has successfully completed the training, testing, and documentation requirements of 45.1(10)“b,” who performs or personally supervises industrial radiographic operations, and is responsible to the licensee or registrant for ensuring compliance with the requirement of these rules and all license and certificate of registration conditions.

“*Radiographer certification*” means written approval received from a certifying entity stating that an individual has satisfactorily met certain established radiation safety, testing, and experience criteria.

“*Radiographer’s assistant*” means any individual who has successfully completed the training, testing, and documentation requirements of 45.1(10)“a” and who uses sources of radiation and related handling tools or radiation survey instruments under the direct supervision of a radiographer trainer.

“*Radiographer trainer (instructor)*” means any individual who instructs and supervises radiographer’s assistants during on-the-job training and who meets the requirements of 45.1(10)“c.”

“*Radiographic exposure device*” means any instrument containing a sealed source fastened or contained therein, in which the sealed source or shielding thereof may be moved or otherwise changed from a shielded to unshielded position for purposes of making a radiographic exposure (e.g., camera), or any other X-ray industrial system whereby a permanent or semipermanent image is recorded on an image receptor by action of ionizing radiation.

“*Radiographic operations*” means all activities associated with the presence of radioactive sources or radiation in a radiographic exposure device during use of the device or transport (except when being transported by a common or contract transport), to include surveys to confirm the adequacy of boundaries, setting up equipment and any activity inside restricted area boundaries.

“*Radiographic personnel*” means any radiographer or radiographer’s assistant.

“*Residential location*” means any area where structures in which people lodge or live are located, and the grounds on which such structures are located including, but not limited to, houses, apartments, condominiums, and garages.

“*Shielded position*” means the location within the radiographic exposure device or source changer where the sealed source is secured and restricted from movement.

“*Shielded-room radiography*” means industrial radiography conducted in a room shielded so that radiation levels at every location on the exterior meet the limitations specified in 641—40.26(136C).

“*Source assembly*” means an assembly that consists of the sealed source and a connector that attaches the source to the control cable. The source assembly may also include a stop ball used to secure the source in the shielded position.

“*Source changer*” means a device designed and used for replacement of sealed sources in radiographic exposure devices, including those source changers also used for transporting and storage of sealed sources.

“*Source container*” means a shielded device in which sealed sources are secured, transported, and stored.

“*Storage area*” means any location, facility, or vehicle which is used to store, to transport, or to secure a radiographic exposure device, a storage container, or a sealed source when it is not in use and which is locked or has a physical barrier to prevent accidental exposure, tampering with, or unauthorized removal of the device, container, or source.

“*Storage container*” means a shielded device in which sealed sources are secured, transported, and stored.

“*S-tube*” means a tube through which the radioactive source travels when inside a radiographic exposure device.

“*Temporary job site*” means any location where radiographic operations are conducted and where licensed material may be stored other than the location(s) listed in a specific license or certificate of registration.

“*Trainee status card*” means the document issued by the agency following completion of the requirements of 45.1(10)“a”(1) and (2).

“*Transport container*” means a package that is designed to provide radiation safety and security when sealed sources are transported and which meets all applicable requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

“*Underwater radiography*” means industrial radiography performed when the radiographic exposure device and related equipment are beneath the surface of the water.

**45.1(3) Exemptions.**

a. Uses of certified and certifiable cabinet X-ray systems designed to exclude individuals are exempt from the requirements of this chapter, except for the requirements of 45.2(6)“b” and “c.”

b. Industrial uses of lixiscopes are exempt from the requirements in this chapter.

c. Radiation machines determined by the agency to constitute a minimal threat to human health and safety in accordance with 641—subrule 38.3(1) are exempt from the rules in this chapter, except for the requirements of this subrule.

**45.1(4) Receipt, transfer, and disposal of sources of radiation.** Each licensee and registrant shall maintain records showing the receipt, transfer, and disposal of sources of radiation. These records shall include the date, the name of the individual making the record, the radionuclide, number of curies or mass (for DU), and the make, model, and serial number of each source of radiation and device, as appropriate. Records shall be maintained for three years after they are made.

**45.1(5) Radiation survey instruments.**

a. The licensee or registrant shall maintain sufficient calibrated and operable radiation survey instruments at each location where sources of radiation are present to make physical radiation surveys as required by this chapter and 641—subrule 40.36(1). Instrumentation required by this subrule shall have a range such that 2 millirems (0.02 millisievert) per hour through 1 rem (0.01 sievert) per hour can be measured.

b. Notwithstanding the requirements of 641—subrule 40.36(2) each radiation survey instrument shall be calibrated:

(1) At energies appropriate for use and at intervals not to exceed six months and after each instrument servicing;

(2) Such that accuracy within plus or minus 20 percent of the calibration source can be demonstrated at each point checked;

(3) At 2 points located approximately 1/3 and 2/3 of full-scale on each scale for linear scale instruments; at midrange of each decade, and at 2 points of at least 1 decade for logarithmic scale instruments; and at 3 points between 2 and 1000 mrem per hour for digital instruments; and

(4) By a person licensed or registered by the agency, another agreement state, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to perform such service.

c. Records of these calibrations shall be maintained for three years after the calibration date for inspection by the agency.

d. Each radiation survey instrument shall be checked with a radiation source at the beginning of each day of use and at the beginning of each work shift to ensure it is operating properly.

**45.1(6) Quarterly inventory.** Each licensee shall conduct a physical inventory at intervals not to exceed three months to account for all sealed sources and radiography exposure devices received and possessed. Sources of radiation include radiographic exposure devices containing depleted uranium. The records of the inventories shall be maintained for three years from the date of the inventory for inspection by the agency and shall include: the manufacturer, model number, serial number, radionuclide, number of curies, and location of each source of radiation; number of kilograms of depleted uranium shielding; date of the inventory; and name of the individual making the inventory.

**45.1(7) Utilization logs.**

a. Each licensee shall maintain utilization logs of the use of each sealed source. The logs shall include:

(1) A unique description, which includes the make, model, and serial number of each radiographic exposure device containing a sealed source or transport or storage container in which the sealed source is located;

(2) The identity and signature of the radiographer to whom the sealed source is assigned;

(3) The plant or site where each sealed source is used; and

(4) The date(s) each sealed source is removed from storage and returned to storage.

b. Each registrant shall maintain current logs of the use of each source of radiation. The logs shall include:

(1) A unique identification, which includes the make, model and serial number of each source of radiation;

(2) The identity of the radiographer using the source of radiation;

(3) The date(s) each source of radiation is energized or used and the number of exposures made.

c. Utilization logs may be kept on clear, legible records containing all the information required by 45.1(7) “a” or “b.” Copies of utilization logs shall be maintained for agency inspection for three years from the date of the recorded event. The records shall be kept at the location specified by the license or certificate of registration.

**45.1(8) *Inspection and maintenance.***

a. Each licensee or registrant shall perform visual and operability checks on survey meters, radiographic exposure devices, transport and storage containers, associated equipment and source changers before use on each day the equipment is to be used to ensure that the equipment is in good working condition, that the sources are adequately shielded, and that required labeling is present. Survey instrument operability must be performed using check sources or other appropriate means.

b. Each licensee or registrant shall have written procedures and conduct a program, at intervals not to exceed three months, or prior to the first use thereafter, of inspection and maintenance of radiation machines, radiographic exposure devices, transport and storage containers, source changers, survey instruments, and associated equipment to ensure proper functioning of components important to safety. All appropriate parts shall be maintained in accordance with manufacturer’s specifications. Replacement components shall meet design specifications. This program shall cover, as a minimum, the items in Appendix B of this chapter.

c. Each licensee shall have a program and written procedures for the inspection and maintenance necessary to maintain the Type B packaging used to transport radioactive materials. The program must include procedures to ensure that Type B packages are shipped and maintained in accordance with the certificate of compliance or other approval.

d. If equipment problems are found, the equipment must be removed from service until repaired.

e. The record of equipment problems and of any maintenance performed under 45.1(8) must be retained for three years after the record is made. The record must include the date of check or inspection, name of inspector, equipment involved, any problems found, and what repair or maintenance, if any, was performed.

**45.1(9) *Permanent radiographic installations.*** Permanent radiographic installations having high radiation area entrance controls of the type described in 641—paragraphs 40.42(1) “b” and “c” shall also meet the following requirements:

a. Each entrance that is used for personnel access to the high radiation area shall have both visible and audible warning signals to warn of the presence of radiation. The visible signal shall be activated by radiation. The audible signal shall be activated when an attempt is made to enter the installation while the source is exposed.

b. The control device or alarm system shall be tested for proper operation at the beginning of each day of equipment use. If a control device or alarm system is operating improperly, it shall be immediately labeled as defective and repaired before industrial radiographic operations are resumed. Records of these tests shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for three years from the date of the event.

**45.1(10) *Training and testing for radiographic personnel.***

a. Radiographer’s assistant requirements. No licensee or registrant shall permit any individual to act as a radiographer’s assistant, as defined in this chapter, until:

(1) It has been documented on the appropriate agency form or equivalent that such individual has received copies of and has demonstrated an understanding of:

1. The subjects outlined in Appendix A, presented in a 40-hour course approved by the agency, another agreement state, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission;

2. The rules contained in this chapter and the applicable sections of 641—Chapters 38, 39, and 40;

3. The appropriate conditions of license(s) or certificate(s) of registration;

4. The licensee’s or registrant’s operating and emergency procedures;

5. And developed competence to use, under the personal supervision of the radiographer, the licensee’s or registrant’s radiographic exposure devices, sealed sources, associated equipment, and radiation survey instruments that the assistant will use;

6. And has demonstrated competence in the use of radiographic exposure devices, sources, survey instruments and associated equipment described in 45.1(10)“a”(1) by successful completion of a practical examination covering this material.

(2) The individual possesses a current agency-issued trainee status card issued after completion of 45.1(10)“a”(1). Trainee status will be granted only once for each individual and is valid for no longer than two years.

*b.* Radiographer requirements. No licensee or registrant shall permit any individual to act as a radiographer:

(1) Until it has been documented to the agency that such individual:

1. Has completed the requirements of 45.1(10)“a”(1);

2. Has completed on-the-job training as a radiographic trainee supervised by one or more radiographic trainers. The on-the-job training shall be documented on the appropriate agency form or equivalent and shall include a minimum of two months (320 hours) of active participation in the performance of industrial radiography utilizing radioactive material or one month (160 hours) of active participation in the performance of industrial radiography utilizing radiation machines, or both. Individuals performing industrial radiography utilizing radioactive materials and radiation machines must complete both segments of the on-the-job training (three months or 480 hours). Active participation does not include safety meetings or classroom training;

3. Has demonstrated competence in the use of sources of radiation, radiographic exposure devices, related handling tools, and radiation survey instruments which may be employed in industrial radiographic assignments by successful completion of a practical examination covering this material;

(2) Unless the individual has successfully completed within the last five years the appropriate agency-administered examination prescribed in 45.1(10)“f”(2) or equivalent examination; and

(3) Unless the individual possesses a current I.D. card.

*c.* Radiographer trainer. No individual shall act as a radiographer trainer unless such individual:

(1) Has met the requirements of 45.1(10)“a”(1) and “b”;

(2) Has one year of documented experience as an industrial radiographer and possesses a current ID card issued at least one year prior to the application for a trainer card; and

(3) Is named on the specific license or certificate of registration issued by the agency and under which an individual is acting as a radiographer trainer, or

(4) Possesses a valid radiographer trainer card issued by the agency.

*d.* Radiation safety officer. The radiation safety officer shall ensure that radiation safety activities are being performed in accordance with approved procedures and regulatory requirements in the daily operation of the licensee’s program.

(1) A radiation safety officer (RSO) shall be designated for every industrial radiography license and certificate of registration issued by the agency.

(2) The RSO’s qualifications shall include:

1. Possession of a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency based on the GED test;

2. Completion of the training and testing requirements of 45.1(10)“a”(1) and 45.1(10)“b”(1)“3,” (2), and (3);

3. 2000 hours of hands-on experience as a qualified radiographer in industrial radiographic operations; and

4. Formal training in the establishment and maintenance of a radiation protection program.

The agency will consider alternatives when the RSO has either appropriate training or experience, or both, in the field of ionizing radiation and, in addition, has adequate formal training with respect to the establishment and maintenance of a radiation safety protection program.

(3) The specific duties of the RSO include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. To establish and oversee operating, emergency, and ALARA procedures and to review them regularly to ensure that the procedures are current and conform with these rules;

2. To oversee and approve all phases of the training program for radiographic personnel so that appropriate and effective radiation protection practices are taught;



3. To ensure that required radiation surveys and leak tests are performed and documented in accordance with these rules, including any corrective measures when levels of radiation exceed established limits;

4. To ensure that personnel monitoring devices are calibrated and used properly by occupationally exposed personnel, that records are kept of the monitoring results, and that timely notifications are made as required by 641—Chapter 40;

5. To ensure that any required interlock switches and warning signals are functioning and that radiation signs, ropes, and barriers are properly posted and positioned;

6. To investigate and report to the agency each known or suspected case of radiation exposure to an individual or radiation level detected in excess of limits established by these rules and each theft or loss of source(s) of radiation, to determine the cause, and to take steps to prevent its recurrence;

7. To have a thorough knowledge of management policies and administrative procedures of the licensee or registrant;

8. To assume control and have the authority to institute corrective actions including shutdown of operations when necessary in emergency situations or unsafe conditions;

9. To maintain records as required by these rules (see Appendix C);

10. To ensure the proper storing, labeling, transport, and use of exposure devices and sources of radiation;

11. To ensure that quarterly inventory and inspection and maintenance programs are performed in accordance with 45.1(6), 45.1(8), 45.2(3), and 45.3(6) “b”; and

12. To ensure that personnel are complying with these rules, the conditions of the license or the registration, and the operating and emergency procedures of the licensee or registrant.

*e.* Training and testing records. Each licensee and registrant shall maintain, for agency inspection, training and testing records which demonstrate that the applicable requirements of 45.1(10) “a” and “b” are met for all industrial radiographic personnel. Records shall be maintained until disposal is authorized by the agency. The agency shall not release records for disposal unless the records have been maintained at least three years.

*f.* Applications and examinations.

(1) Application.

1. An application for taking the examination shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the agency along with the fee required in 641—38.8(3).

2. An individual whose I.D. card has been suspended or revoked shall obtain prior approval from the agency to apply to take the examination.

(2) Examination. The examination shall be given for the purpose of determining the qualifications of applicants.

1. A written examination shall be held at such times and places as the agency shall determine. The scope of the examination and the methods of procedure, including determination of the passing score, shall be prescribed by the agency. The examination will emphasize the applicant’s ability to safely use sources of radiation and related equipment and the applicant’s knowledge of these rules.

2. A candidate failing an examination may apply for reexamination in accordance with 45.1(10) “f”(1) and will be reexamined. A candidate shall not retake the same version of the agency-administered examination.

3. The examination will be held at locations designated by the agency. The examination shall normally be offered quarterly. Dates, times, and locations of the examinations will be provided by the agency.

4. The examination will be in the English language.

5. To take the examination, an individual shall have a picture identification card (such as an Iowa driver’s license) at the time of the examination.

6. Calculators will be permitted during the examination; however, calculators or computers with preprogrammed data or formulas, including exposure calculations, will not be permitted.

7. The examination will be a “closed book” examination.

8. Examination material shall be returned to the agency at the end of the examination. No photographic or other copying of examination questions or materials shall be permitted. Disclosure by any individual of the contents of any examination prior to the administration is prohibited.

9. Any individual observed by an agency proctor to be compromising the integrity of the examination shall be required to surrender the examination, the answer sheet, and any work paper. Such individual will not be allowed to complete the examination, will forfeit the examination fee, and will leave the examination site to avoid disturbing other examinees. Such individual may resubmit an application and an additional examination fee to take the examination not earlier than three months later.

10. The names and scores of individuals taking the examination shall be a public record.

*g.* Identification procedures.

(1) I.D. card.

1. An I.D. card shall be issued to each person who successfully completes the requirements of 45.1(10) “*b*” and the examination prescribed in 45.1(10) “*f*”(2) or an equivalent examination.

2. Each person’s I.D. card shall contain the person’s photograph.

3. The I.D. card remains the property of the state of Iowa and may be revoked or suspended under the provisions of 45.1(10) “*h*.”

4. Any individual who wishes to replace the I.D. card shall submit to the agency a written request for a replacement I.D. card, stating the reason a replacement I.D. card is needed and the fee required in 641—subrule 38.8(3). The individual shall maintain in possession a copy of the request while performing industrial radiographic operations until a replacement I.D. card is received from the agency.

(2) Expiration of I.D. card. Each I.D. card expires at the end of the day, in the month and year stated on the I.D. card.

(3) Renewal of I.D. card.

1. Applications for examination to renew an I.D. card shall be filed in accordance with 45.1(10) “*f*”(1).

2. The examination for renewal of an I.D. card shall be administered in accordance with 45.1(10) “*f*”(2).

3. A renewed I.D. card shall be issued in accordance with 45.1(10) “*g*”(1).

*h.* Revocation or suspension of an I.D. card.

(1) Any radiographer who violates these rules may be required to show cause at a formal hearing why the I.D. card should not be revoked or suspended.

(2) When an agency order has been issued for an industrial radiographer to cease and desist from the use of radioactive material or revoking or suspending the I.D. card, the industrial radiographer shall surrender the I.D. card to the agency until such time as the order is changed or the suspension expires.

(3) An agency’s inspector may, in certain instances, confiscate any radiographer’s I.D. card on the spot while conducting an inspection or investigation. If the inspector determines that the activities being conducted by the radiographer are significant enough to be classified as severity I, II, or III, as specified in 641—38.5(136C), and after obtaining the approval of agency management, the inspector may take any radiographer’s I.D. card. The agency will then issue a cease and desist order to the radiographer’s employer, forward the I.D. card(s) to the issuing entity, and notify the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other agreement states.

*i.* Exemptions. Any person using a source of radiation to determine the presence of explosives in a package or the authenticity of a piece of art is exempt from the provisions of 45.1(10) “*a*” to “*h*.”

*j.* Reciprocity.

(1) Reciprocal recognition by the agency of an individual radiographer certification will be granted provided that:

1. The individual holds a valid certification in the appropriate category and class issued by a certifying entity as defined in 45.1(2).

2. The requirements and procedures of the certifying entity issuing the certification require the same or comparable certification standards as those required by 45.1(10) “*a*” through “*e*”; and

3. The individual submits a legible copy of the certification to the agency prior to entry into Iowa.

(2) Enforcement actions with the agency, another agreement state, or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or any sanctions by an independent certifying entity may be considered when reviewing a request for reciprocal recognition from a licensee, registrant, or certified radiographer.

(3) Certified radiographers who are granted reciprocity by the agency shall maintain the certification upon which the reciprocal recognition was granted, or prior to the expiration of such certification, shall meet the requirements of 45.1(10) "b."

**45.1(11) Internal audits.** Except as provided in 45.1(11) "c," the RSO or designee shall conduct an inspection program of the job performance of each radiographer and radiographer's assistant to ensure that these rules, license requirements, and the licensee's or registrant's operating and emergency procedures are followed. The inspection program must:

a. Include observation of the performance of each radiographer and radiographer's assistant during an actual industrial radiographic operation, at intervals not to exceed six months; and

b. Provide that, if a radiographer or radiographer's assistant has not participated in an industrial radiographic operation for more than six months since the last audit, the radiographer or radiographer's assistant must demonstrate understanding of the subjects contained in Appendix A of this chapter by a practical examination before the individual can next participate in a radiographic operation.

c. The agency may consider alternatives in those situations where the individual serves as both radiographer and RSO. In those operations where a single individual serves as both radiographer and RSO, and performs all radiography operations, an inspection program is not required.

d. Records of audits shall be maintained by the licensee or registrant for agency inspection for three years from the date of the audit.

**45.1(12) Personnel monitoring control.**

a. The personnel monitoring program shall meet the applicable requirements of 641—Chapter 40.

b. When performing industrial radiographic operations:

(1) No licensee or registrant shall permit an individual to act as a radiographer, radiographer's assistant, or radiographer trainer unless at all times during radiographic operations each individual wears, on the trunk of the body, a combination of direct-reading pocket dosimeter, an operating alarm ratemeter, and a film badge, an optically stimulated luminescent device (OSL device) or a thermoluminescent dosimeter (TLD) that is processed and evaluated by an accredited National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP). For permanent radiographic installations where other appropriate alarming or warning devices are in routine use, the wearing of an alarm ratemeter is not required.

(2) Pocket dosimeters or electronic personal dosimeters shall meet the criteria in ANSI N322-1977 and shall have a range of zero to at least 200 millirems. Electronic personal dosimeters may only be used in place of ion-chamber pocket dosimeters.

(3) Pocket dosimeters or electronic personal dosimeters shall be recharged at the start of each work shift.

(4) Pocket dosimeters or electronic personal dosimeters shall be read and exposures recorded at the beginning and at the end of each work shift, and before each recharging.

(5) If an individual's pocket dosimeter is discharged beyond its range (i.e., goes "off scale"), or if the electronic personal dosimeter reads greater than 200 millirem (2 millisievert), and the possibility of radiation exposure cannot be ruled out as the cause, industrial radiographic operations by that individual shall cease and the individual's film badge, OSL device, or TLD shall be within 24 hours sent for processing. The individual shall not return to work with sources of radiation until a determination of the radiation exposure has been made. This determination must be made by the RSO or the RSO's designee. The results of this determination must be included in the exposure records maintained in accordance with 641—Chapter 40.

(6) Each individual monitoring device shall be assigned to and worn by only one individual.

(7) Film badges, OSL devices and TLDs must be replaced at least monthly.

(8) If an individual monitoring device is lost or damaged, the worker shall cease work immediately until a replacement individual monitoring device is provided and the exposure is calculated for the time period from issuance to loss or damage of the individual monitoring device. The results of the calculated

exposure and the time period for which the individual monitoring device was lost or damaged must be included in the records maintained in 45.1(12)“c.”

c. Records of pocket dosimeter readings of personnel exposures and yearly operability checks required in 45.1(12)“d” shall be maintained for three years by the licensee or registrant for agency inspection. If the dosimeter readings were used to determine external radiation dose (i.e., no TLD or film badge exposure records exist), the records shall be maintained for three years after they are recorded. Records of estimates of exposures as a result of off-scale personal direct reading dosimeters, or lost or damaged film badges, OSLs, or TLDs, shall be maintained until the agency terminates the license.

d. Pocket dosimeters shall be checked for correct response to radiation at periods not to exceed one year. Acceptable dosimeters shall read within plus or minus 20 percent of the true radiation exposure. Records of this check shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for three years from the date of the event.

e. Reports received from the film badge, OSL device or TLD processor shall be kept for inspection by the agency until the agency terminates the license.

f. Each alarm ratemeter must:

(1) Be checked to ensure that the alarm functions properly (sounds) prior to use at the start of each shift. Records of alarm function checks shall be maintained for two years by the licensee or registrant for agency inspection;

(2) Be set to give an alarm signal at a preset dose rate of 500 mR/hr;

(3) Require special means to change the preset alarm function; and

(4) Be calibrated at periods not to exceed one year for correct response to radiation: Acceptable ratemeters must alarm within plus or minus 20 percent of the true radiation dose rate. Records of the alarming ratemeter calibrations shall be maintained for three years by the licensee or registrant for agency inspection.

**45.1(13) Supervision of radiographer’s assistant.** Whenever a radiographer’s assistant uses radiographic exposure devices, sealed sources or associated equipment or conducts radiation surveys required by 45.2(5) or 45.3(7) to determine that the sealed source has returned to the shielded position after an exposure, the radiographer’s assistant shall be under the direct supervision of a radiographer instructor. The direct supervision must include:

a. The radiographer’s physical presence at the site where the source(s) of radiation is being used;

b. The availability of the radiographer to give immediate assistance if required; and

c. The radiographer’s direct observation of the radiographer’s assistant’s performance of the operations referred to in this subrule.

**45.1(14) Access control.**

a. During each industrial radiographic operation, a radiographer or radiographer’s assistant shall maintain continuous, direct visual surveillance of the operation to protect against unauthorized entry into a restricted area, radiation area or high radiation area, except at permanent radiographic installations where all entryways are locked to protect against unauthorized or accidental entry and the requirements of 45.1(9) are met.

b. Radiographic exposure devices shall not be left unattended except when in storage or physically secured against unauthorized removal.

**45.1(15) Posting.**

a. Notwithstanding any provisions in 641—subrule 40.62(1) areas in which radiography is being performed shall be conspicuously posted as required by 641—subrules 40.61(1) and 40.61(2).

b. Whenever practicable, ropes or barriers shall be used in addition to appropriate signs to designate areas in accordance with 641—subrule 40.26(1) and to help prevent unauthorized entry.

c. During pipeline industrial radiography operations, sufficient radiation signs and other barriers shall be posted to prevent unmonitored individuals from entering the radiation area.

d. Notwithstanding the requirements of 45.1(15)“a,” a restricted area may be established in accordance with 641—subrule 40.26(1) and may be posted in accordance with 40.61(1) and 40.61(2), i.e., both signs may be posted at the same location at the boundary of the restricted area.

**45.1(16) Temporary job site requirements.**

a. Documents and records. Each licensee or registrant conducting industrial radiography at a temporary job site shall have the following records available at that site for inspection by the agency:

- (1) Appropriate license or certificate of registration or equivalent document;
- (2) The appropriate operating and emergency procedures;
- (3) The applicable agency rules;
- (4) Survey records required pursuant to 45.2(5) "d" and 45.3(7) "j" for the period of operation at the site;
- (5) Daily pocket dosimeter records for the period of operation at the site;
- (6) The daily alarming ratemeter records for the period of operation at the site; and
- (7) The latest radiation survey instrument calibration and leak test records for specific devices and sealed sources in use at the site. Acceptable records include tags or labels which are affixed to the device or survey meter and decay charts for sources which have been manufactured within the last six months.

b. Reserved.

**45.1(17) Specific requirements for radiographic personnel performing industrial radiography.**

a. At a job site, the following shall be supplied by the licensee or registrant:

- (1) At least one operable, calibrated radiation survey instrument;
- (2) A current whole body personnel monitor (TLD, OSL device or film badge) for each individual;
- (3) An operable, calibrated pocket dosimeter with a range of 0 to 200 milliroentgens ( $5.16 \times 10^{-5}$  C/kg) for each worker; and
- (4) An operable, calibrated alarm ratemeter for each worker; and
- (5) The appropriate barrier ropes and signs.

b. Each radiographer at a job site shall possess a valid I.D. card.

c. Each radiographer's assistant at a job site shall possess a valid trainee status card issued by the agency.

d. Industrial radiographic operations shall not be performed if any of the items in 45.1(17) "a," "b," and "c" are not available at the job site or are inoperable.

e. No individual other than a radiographer or a radiographer's assistant who is under the direct supervision of a radiographer trainer shall manipulate controls or operate equipment used in industrial radiographic operations.

f. During an inspection by the agency, the agency inspector may terminate an operation if any of the items in 45.1(17) "a" are not available and operable or if the required number of radiographic personnel are not present. Operations shall not be resumed until such conditions are met.

**45.1(18) Notification of incidents.**

a. The agency shall be notified of thefts or losses of sources of radiation, overexposures, and excessive levels in accordance with 641—40.95(136C) and 40.97(136C).

b. Each licensee or registrant shall submit a written report within 30 days to the agency whenever one of the following events occurs:

- (1) The source assembly cannot be returned to the fully shielded position and properly secured;
- (2) The source assembly becomes disconnected from the drive cable;
- (3) The failure of any component (critical to safe operation of the radiographic exposure device) to properly perform its intended function; or
- (4) An indicator on a radiation-producing machine fails to show that radiation is being produced or an exposure switch fails to terminate production of radiation when turned to the off position.

c. The licensee or registrant shall include the following information in each report submitted in accordance with 45.1(18) "b":

- (1) A description of the equipment problem;
- (2) Cause of each incident, if known;
- (3) Manufacturer and model number of equipment involved in the incident;
- (4) Location, time, and date of the incident;
- (5) Actions taken to establish normal operations;
- (6) Corrective actions taken or planned to prevent recurrence; and

(7) Names of personnel involved in the incident.

**45.1(19) Copies of operating and emergency procedures.** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain a copy of current operating and emergency procedures until the agency terminates the license. Superseded material must be retained for three years after the change is made.

**641—45.2(136C) Radiation safety requirements for the use of radiation machines in industrial radiography.**

**45.2(1) Locking of sources of radiation.** The control panel of each radiation machine shall be equipped with a locking device that will prevent the unauthorized use of an X-ray system or the accidental production of radiation. The radiation machine shall be kept locked and the key removed at all times except when under the direct visual surveillance of a radiographer.

**45.2(2) Permanent storage precautions.** Radiation machines shall be secured while in storage to prevent tampering or removal by unauthorized individuals.

**45.2(3) Requirements for radiation machines used in industrial radiographic operations.**

a. Equipment used in industrial radiographic operations involving radiation machines manufactured after January 1, 1992, shall be certified at the time of manufacture to meet the criteria set forth by ANSI N537-1976.

b. The registrant's name and city or town where the main business office is located shall be prominently displayed with a durable, clearly visible label(s) on all vehicles used to transport radiation machines for temporary job site use.

**45.2(4) Operating and emergency procedures.**

a. The registrant's operating and emergency procedures shall include instructions in at least the following:

- (1) Operation and safety instruction on the radiation machine(s) to be used;
- (2) Methods and occasions for conducting radiation surveys;
- (3) Methods for controlling access to radiographic areas;
- (4) Methods and occasions for locking and securing sources of radiation;
- (5) Personnel monitoring and the use of personnel monitoring equipment, including steps that must be taken immediately by radiography personnel in the event a pocket dosimeter is found to be off-scale;
- (6) Minimizing exposure of individuals in the event of an accident;
- (7) The procedure for notifying proper personnel in the event of an accident;
- (8) Maintenance of records; and
- (9) Inspection and maintenance of radiation machines.

b. Each registrant shall provide, as a minimum, two radiographic personnel when radiation machines are used for any industrial radiography conducted other than at a permanent radiographic installation (shielded room, bay, or bunker). If one of the personnel is a radiographer's assistant, the other shall be a radiographer trainer authorized by the certificate of registration.

c. No individual other than a radiographer or a radiographer's assistant who is under the direct supervision of a radiographer trainer shall manipulate controls or operate equipment used in industrial radiographic operations.

d. Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

**45.2(5) Radiation surveys and survey records.**

a. No radiographic operation shall be conducted unless calibrated and operable radiation survey instrumentation, as described in 45.1(5), is available and used at each site where radiographic exposures are made.

b. A physical radiation survey shall be made after each radiographic exposure using radiation machines to determine that the machine is "off."

c. All potential radiation areas where industrial radiographic operations are to be performed shall be posted in accordance with 45.1(15), based on calculated dose rates, before industrial radiographic operations begin. An area survey shall be performed during the first radiographic exposure to confirm that 45.1(15) requirements have been met and that unrestricted areas do not have radiation levels in excess of the limits specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1).

d. Records shall be kept of the surveys required by 45.2(5) "b" and "c." Such records shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for two years after completion of the survey. If the survey was used to determine an individual's exposure, however, the records of the survey shall be maintained until the agency authorizes their disposition.

**45.2(6) *Special requirements and exemptions for enclosed radiography.***

a. Systems for enclosed radiography, including shielded-room radiography and cabinet radiography, designed to allow admittance of individuals shall:

(1) Comply with all applicable requirements of this chapter and 641—subrule 40.26(1). If such a system is a certified cabinet X-ray system, it shall comply with all applicable requirements of this chapter and 21 CFR 1020.40.

(2) Be evaluated at intervals not to exceed one year to ensure compliance with the applicable requirements as specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1). Records of these evaluations shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for a period of three years after the evaluation.

b. Certified and certifiable cabinet X-ray systems are exempt from the requirements of this chapter except that:

(1) Operating personnel must be provided with individual monitoring devices in accordance with the appropriate provisions of 641—40.37(136C).

(2) No registrant shall permit any individual to operate a cabinet X-ray system until such individual has received a copy of and instruction in the operating procedures for the unit and has demonstrated competence in its use. Records which demonstrate compliance with this subparagraph shall be maintained for inspection by the agency until disposition is authorized by the agency.

(3) Tests for proper operation of interlocks used to control entry to the high radiation area or alarm systems, where applicable, shall be conducted and recorded every three months. Records of these tests shall be maintained for agency inspection until disposal is authorized by the agency.

(4) The registrant shall perform an evaluation, at intervals not to exceed one year, to determine conformance with 641—subrule 40.26(1). If such a system is a certified cabinet X-ray system, it shall be evaluated at intervals not to exceed one year to determine conformance with 21 CFR 1020.40. Records of these evaluations shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for a period of two years after the evaluation.

c. Certified cabinet X-ray systems shall be maintained in compliance with 21 CFR 1020.40 unless prior approval has been granted by the agency pursuant to 641—38.3(136C).

**45.2(7) *Registration for industrial radiographic operations.***

a. Radiation machines used in industrial radiographic operations shall be registered in accordance with 641—Chapter 39.

b. In addition to the registration requirements in 641—Chapter 39, an application for a certificate of registration shall include the following information:

(1) A schedule or description of the program for training radiographic personnel which specifies:

1. Initial training,
2. Periodic training,
3. On-the-job training, and
4. Methods to be used by the registrant to determine the knowledge, understanding, and ability of radiographic personnel to comply with agency rules, registration requirements, and the operating and emergency procedures of the applicant.

(2) Written operating and emergency procedures, including all items listed in Appendix D.

(3) A description of the internal inspection system or other management control to ensure that radiographic personnel follow registration provisions, rules of the agency, and the applicant's operating and emergency procedures.

(4) A list of permanent radiographic installations and descriptions of permanent storage and use locations.

(5) A description of the organization of the industrial radiographic program, including delegations of authority and responsibility for operation of the radiation safety program.

c. A certificate of registration will be issued if the requirements of 641—Chapter 39 and this subrule are met.

**641—45.3(136C) Radiation safety requirements for use of sealed sources of radiation in industrial radiography.**

**45.3(1) Limits on external radiation levels from storage containers and source changers.** The maximum exposure rate limits for storage containers and source changers are 200 millirem (2 millisieverts) per hour at any exterior surface, and 10 millirem (0.1 millisievert) per hour at 1 meter from any exterior surface with the sealed source in the shielded position.

**45.3(2) Locking of sources of radiation.**

a. Each source of radiation shall be provided with a lock or lockable outer container designed to prevent unauthorized or accidental removal of the sealed source. Either the exposure device or its container must be kept locked and, if applicable, the key removed, at all times when not under the direct surveillance of a radiographer or a radiographer's assistant except at permanent radiographic installations as stated in 45.1(14). Each sealed source storage container and source changer must have a lock or outer locked container designed to prevent unauthorized or accidental removal of the sealed source from its shielded position. Storage containers and source changers must be kept locked (and if the lock is a keyed lock, with the key removed at all times) when containing sealed sources except when the container is under the direct surveillance of a radiographer or radiographer's assistant.

b. Radiographic exposure devices, source changers, and storage containers, prior to being moved from one location to another and also prior to being secured at a given location, shall be locked and surveyed to ensure that the sealed source is in the shielded position.

c. The sealed source shall be secured in its shielded position by locking the exposure device or securing the remote control each time the sealed source is returned to its shielded position. Then a survey shall be performed to determine that the sealed source is in the shielded position pursuant to 45.3(7) "b."

**45.3(3) Storage precautions.**

a. Labeling, storage, and transportation.

(1) The licensee may not use a source changer or a container to store licensed material unless the source changer or the storage container has securely attached to it a durable, legible, and clearly visible label bearing the standard trefoil radiation caution symbol in conventional colors, i.e., magenta, purple or black on a yellow background, having a minimum diameter of 25 mm, and the wording: "CAUTION RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL, NOTIFY CIVIL AUTHORITIES (or name of company)," or "DANGER."

(2) The licensee may not transport licensed material unless the material is packaged, and the package is labeled, marked, and accompanied with appropriate shipping papers in accordance with 641—39.5(136C).

(3) Locked radiographic exposure devices and storage containers must be physically secured to prevent tampering or removal by unauthorized personnel. The licensee shall store licensed material in a manner which will minimize danger from explosion or fire.

(4) The licensee shall lock and physically secure the transport package containing licensed material in the transporting vehicle to prevent accidental loss, tampering, or unauthorized removal of the licensed material from the vehicle.

b. Radiographic exposure devices, source changers, or storage containers that contain radioactive material shall not be stored in residential locations. This requirement does not apply to storage of radioactive material in a vehicle in transit for use at temporary job sites, if the licensee complies with 45.3(3) "c," and if the vehicle does not constitute a permanent storage location as described in 45.1(9).

c. If a vehicle is to be used for storage of radioactive material, a vehicle survey shall be performed after securing radioactive material in the vehicle and before transport to ensure that radiation levels do not exceed the limits specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1) at the exterior surface of the vehicle.

d. A storage or use location is permanent if radioactive material is stored at the location for more than 90 days and any one or more of the following applies to the location:

(1) Telephone service is established by the licensee;



- (2) Industrial radiographic services are advertised for or from the location;
- (3) Industrial radiographic operations are conducted at other sites due to arrangements made from the location.

**45.3(4) Performance requirements for radiography equipment.** Equipment used in industrial radiographic operations must meet the following minimum criteria:

*a.* Each radiographic exposure device, source assembly or sealed source, and all associated equipment must meet the requirements specified in American National Standard N432-1980 “Radiological Safety for the Design and Construction of Apparatus for Gamma Radiography” (published as NBS Handbook 136, issued January 1981). This publication has been approved for incorporation by reference by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR Part 51. This publication may be purchased from the American National Standards Institute, Inc., 1430 Broadway, New York, New York 10018, telephone (212)642-4900. Copies of the document are available for inspection at the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Radiological Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

*b.* In addition to the requirements specified in paragraph “*a*” of this subrule, the following requirements apply to radiographic exposure devices, source changers, source assemblies, sealed sources, and associated equipment.

(1) Each radiographic exposure device must have attached to it by the user a durable, legible, clearly visible label bearing the:

1. Chemical symbol and mass number of the radionuclide in the device;
2. Activity and the date on which this activity was last measured;
3. Model number (or product code) and serial number of the sealed source;
4. Manufacturer’s identity of the sealed source; and
5. Licensee’s name, address, and telephone number.

(2) Radiographic exposure devices intended for use as Type B transport containers must meet the applicable requirements of 641—39.5(136C).

(3) Modification of any radiographic exposure devices, source changers, and source assemblies and associated equipment is prohibited, unless the design of any replacement component, including source holder, source assembly, controls or guide tubes would not compromise the design safety features of the system.

*c.* In addition to the requirements specified in paragraphs “*a*” and “*b*” of this subrule, the following requirements apply to radiographic exposure devices, source assemblies, and associated equipment that allow the source to be moved out of the device for radiographic operation or source changing:

(1) The coupling between the source assembly and the control cable must be designed in such a manner that the source assembly will not become disconnected if cranked outside the guide tube. The coupling must be such that it cannot be unintentionally disconnected under normal and reasonably foreseeable abnormal conditions;

(2) The device must automatically secure the source assembly when it is cranked back into the fully shielded position within the device. This securing system may only be released by means of a deliberate operation on the exposure device;

(3) The outlet fittings, lock box, and drive cable fittings on each radiographic exposure device must be equipped with safety plugs or covers which must be installed during storage and transportation to protect the source assembly from water, mud, sand, or other foreign matter;

(4) Each sealed source or source assembly must have attached to it or engraved in it, a durable, legible, visible label with the words: “DANGER—RADIOACTIVE.” The label must not interfere with safe operation of the exposure device or associated equipment;

(5) The guide tube must be able to withstand a crushing test that closely approximates the crushing forces that are likely to be encountered during use, and be able to withstand a kinking resistance test that closely approximates the kinking forces that are likely to be encountered during use;

- (6) Guide tubes must be used when moving the source out of the device;

(7) An exposure head or similar device designed to prevent the source assembly from passing out of the end of the guide tube must be attached to the outermost end of the guide tube during radiographic operations;

(8) The guide tube exposure head connection must be able to withstand the tensile test for control units specified in ANSI N432-1980;

(9) Source changers must provide a system for ensuring that the source will not be accidentally withdrawn from the changer when connecting or disconnecting the drive cable to or from a source assembly.

*d.* All newly manufactured radiographic exposure devices and associated equipment acquired by licensees after January 10, 1992, must comply with the requirements of this subrule.

*e.* All radiographic exposure devices and associated equipment in use after January 10, 1996, must comply with the requirements of this subrule.

*f.* Notwithstanding the requirements of 45.3(4) "a," equipment used in industrial radiographic operations need not comply with § 8.9.2(c) of the Endurance Test in American National Standards Institute N432-1980, if the prototype equipment has been tested using a torque value representative of the torque that an individual using the radiography equipment can realistically exert on the lever or crankshaft of the drive mechanism.

*g.* Engineering analysis may be submitted by an applicant or licensee to demonstrate the applicability of previously performed testing on similar individual radiography equipment components. Upon review, the agency may find this an acceptable alternative to actual testing of the component pursuant to the above-referenced standard.

**45.3(5)** *Leak testing, repair, tagging, opening, modification, and replacement of sealed sources.*

*a.* The replacement of any sealed source fastened to or contained in a radiographic exposure device and leak testing, repair, tagging, opening, or any other modification of any sealed source shall be performed only by persons specifically authorized to do so by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or an agreement state.

*b.* Leak testing requirements.

(1) Each licensee that uses a sealed source shall have the source tested for leakage at intervals not to exceed 6 months. The leak testing of the source must be performed using a method approved by this agency. The wipe sample should be taken from the nearest accessible point to the sealed source where contamination might accumulate. The wipe sample must be analyzed for radioactive contamination. The analysis must be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005 microcuries (185 Bq) of radioactive material on the test sample and must be performed by a person specifically authorized by this agency to perform the analysis.

(2) The licensee shall maintain records of the leak tests results for sealed sources and devices containing depleted uranium (DU). The results must be stated in units of microcuries (becquerels). The licensee shall retain each record for three years after it is made or until the source in storage is removed.

(3) Unless a sealed source is accompanied by a certificate from the transferor that shows that it has been leak tested within 6 months before the transfer, it may not be used by the licensee until tested for leakage. Sealed sources that are in storage and not in use do not require leak testing, but must be tested before use or transfer to another person if the interval of storage exceeds 6 months.

*c.* Any test conducted under this subrule which reveals the presence of 0.005 microcuries (185 Bq) or more of removable radioactive material must be considered evidence that the sealed source is leaking. The licensee shall immediately withdraw from use the equipment involved and shall have it decontaminated and repaired or disposed of in accordance with agency rules. Within five days after obtaining the results of the test, the licensee shall file a report with the agency describing the equipment involved, the test results, and the corrective action taken.

*d.* Each exposure device using DU shielding and an "S" tube configuration must be tested for DU contamination at intervals not to exceed 12 months. The analysis must be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005 microcuries (185 Bq) of radioactive material on the test sample and must be performed by a person specifically authorized by the agency to perform the analysis. Should such testing reveal the presence of 0.005 microcuries (185 Bq) or more of removable DU contamination, the exposure

device must be removed from use until an evaluation of the wear on the S-tube has been made. Should the evaluation reveal that the S-tube is worn through, the device may not be used again. DU-shielded devices do not have to be tested for DU contamination while in storage and not in use. Before using or transferring such a device, however, the device must be tested for DU contamination if the interval of storage exceeds 12 months.

*e.* Each radiographic exposure device shall have permanently attached to it a durable label which has, as a minimum, the instruction: “Danger—Radioactive Material—Do Not Handle—Notify Civil Authorities if Found.”

**45.3(6) *Operating and emergency procedures.***

*a.* The licensee’s operating and emergency procedures shall include instructions in at least the following:

- (1) Handling and use of sources of radiation to be employed such that no individual is likely to be exposed to radiation doses in excess of the limits established in 641—Chapter 40;
- (2) Methods and occasions for conducting radiation surveys;
- (3) Methods for controlling access to radiographic areas;
- (4) Methods and occasions for locking and securing sources of radiation;
- (5) Personnel monitoring and the use of personnel monitoring equipment, including steps that must be taken immediately by radiography personnel in the event a pocket dosimeter is found to be off-scale;
- (6) Transportation to field locations, including packing of sources of radiation in the vehicles, posting of vehicles, and control of sources of radiation during transportation;
- (7) Minimizing exposure of individuals in the event of an accident;
- (8) The procedure for notifying proper personnel in the event of an accident;
- (9) Maintenance of records;
- (10) The inspection and maintenance of radiographic exposure devices, source changers, storage containers, and radiation machines;
- (11) The procedure(s) for identifying and reporting defects and noncompliance in 10 CFR Part 21; and
- (12) Source recovery procedure if the licensee will perform source recovery.

*b.* Rescinded IAB 4/8/98, effective 7/1/98.

*c.* Whenever radiography is performed at a location other than a permanent radiographic installation, the radiographer must be accompanied by at least one other qualified radiographer or a radiographer’s assistant. If one of the personnel is a radiographer’s assistant, the other shall be a radiographer trainer authorized by the license. The additional qualified individual shall observe the operations and be capable of providing immediate assistance to prevent unauthorized entry. Radiography shall not be performed if only one qualified individual is present.

*d.* Collimators shall be used in industrial radiographic operations which use crank-out devices except when physically impossible.

*e.* All radiographic operations conducted at locations of use authorized on the license must be conducted in a permanent radiographic installation, unless specifically authorized by the agency.

**45.3(7) *Radiation surveys and survey records.***

*a.* No radiographic operation shall be conducted unless calibrated and operable radiation survey instrumentation, as described in 45.1(5), is available and for each exposure device used at each site where radiographic exposures are made.

*b.* A survey with a calibrated and operable radiation survey instrument shall be made after each radiographic exposure to determine that the sealed source has been returned to its shielded position. The entire circumference of the radiographic exposure device shall be surveyed. If the radiographic exposure device has a source guide tube, the survey shall also include the entire length of the guide tube and collimator. The survey required by this subrule must be done before exchanging films, repositioning the exposure head or dismantling the equipment.

*c.* (1) All potential radiation areas where industrial radiographic operations are to be performed shall be posted in accordance with 641—40.61(136C), based on calculated dose rates, before industrial radiographic operations begin. An area survey shall be performed during the first radiographic exposure

(i.e., with the sealed source in the exposed position) to confirm that 641—40.61(136C) requirements have been met and that unrestricted areas do not have radiation levels in excess of the limits specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1).

(2) Each time the exposure device is relocated or the exposed position of the sealed source is changed, the requirements of 45.3(7)“c”(1) shall be met.

(3) The requirements of 45.3(7)“c”(2) do not apply to pipeline industrial radiographic operations when the conditions of exposure include, but are not limited to, the radiographic exposure device, duration of exposure, source strength, pipe size, and pipe thickness remain constant.

*d.* A lock-out survey, in which all accessible surfaces of the radiographic exposure device or source changer are surveyed, shall be made to determine that each sealed source is in its shielded position before securing the radiographic exposure device or source changer.

*e.* The sealed source shall be secured in its shielded position by locking the radiographic exposure device or source changer each time the sealed source is returned to its shielded position.

*f.* Each radiographic exposure device and source changer shall be locked and the key removed from any keyed lock prior to being moved or transported from one location to another and also prior to being stored at a given location.

*g.* If a vehicle is to be used for storage of radioactive material, a vehicle survey shall be performed after securing radioactive material in the vehicle and before transport to ensure that radiation levels do not exceed the limits specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1) at the exterior surface of the vehicle.

*h.* Surveys shall be performed on storage containers to ensure that radiation levels do not exceed the limits specified in 641—40.15(136C). These surveys shall be performed initially with the maximum amount of radioactive material present in the storage location and thereafter at the time of the quarterly inventory and whenever storage conditions change.

*i.* A survey meeting the requirements of 45.3(7)“b” shall be performed on the radiographic exposure device and the source changer after every sealed source exchange. A survey shall be made of the storage area as defined in 641—45.2(136C) whenever a radiographic exposure device is being placed in storage.

*j.* Records shall be kept of the surveys required by 45.3(7)“c,” “d,” “g,” “h,” and “i.” Such records shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for two years after completion of the survey. If the survey was used to determine an individual’s exposure, however, the records of the survey shall be maintained until the agency authorizes their disposition.

**45.3(8) Requirements for enclosed radiography.**

*a.* Systems for enclosed radiography, including shielded-room radiography designed to allow admittance of individuals shall comply with all applicable requirements of this chapter.

*b.* Procedures shall be evaluated at intervals not to exceed one year to ensure compliance with the applicable requirements as specified in 641—subrule 40.26(1). Records of these evaluations shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for a period of two years after the evaluation.

*c.* Tests for proper operation of high radiation area control devices or alarm systems, where applicable, shall be conducted, recorded, and maintained in accordance with 45.1(9)“b.”

**45.3(9) Underwater, offshore platform, and lay-barge radiography.**

*a.* Underwater, offshore platform, or lay-barge radiography shall not be performed unless specifically authorized in a license issued by the agency in accordance with 641—paragraph 39.4(27)“e.”

*b.* In addition to the other rules of this chapter, the following rules apply to the performance of lay-barge or offshore platform radiography:

(1) Cobalt-60 sources with activities in excess of 20 curies (nominal) and iridium-192 sources with activities in excess of 100 curies (nominal) shall not be used in the performance of lay-barge or offshore platform industrial radiography.

(2) Collimators shall be used for all industrial radiographic operations performed on lay-barge or offshore platforms.

**45.3(10) Prohibitions.** Industrial radiography performed with a sealed source which is not fastened to or contained in a radiographic exposure device (fishpole technique) is prohibited unless specifically authorized in a license issued by the agency.

**45.3(11) Licensing for industrial radiographic operations.** Rescinded IAB 4/5/00, effective 5/10/00.

**641—45.4(136C) Radiation safety requirements for the use of particle accelerators for nonhuman use.**

**45.4(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* This rule establishes procedures for the registration or licensing and the use of particle accelerators.

*b.* Unless specifically required otherwise by this rule, all registrants or licensees performing operations with a particle accelerator are subject to the requirements of 641—Chapters 38 to 40 and 641—45.1(136C).

*c.* The requirements of 45.1(10)“*b*”(2) and (3) and 45.1(10)“*d*”(1)“2” do not apply to nonradiographic uses.

**45.4(2) Definitions.** For purposes of this subrule, definitions in 641—Chapters 38 and 40 and subrule 45.1(2) may also apply. As used in this rule, the following definitions apply:

“*Cold pasteurization*” means the process of using radiation for destroying disease-causing microorganisms in commercial products.

“*Self-shielded particle accelerator*” means a particle accelerator with the accelerator installed in an enclosure independent of the existing architectural structures except the floor on which it may be placed. The enclosure must have been evaluated by a qualified expert and that evaluation approved by an appropriate regulatory authority through a device evaluation. The self-shielded accelerator is intended to contain at least that portion of material being irradiated, provide radiation attenuation, and exclude personnel from its interior during generation of radiation. A particle accelerator used within a shielded part of a building, or which may temporarily or occasionally incorporate portable shielding, is not a self-shielded particle accelerator.

“*Shielded facility*” means an accelerator facility where shielding is required to be constructed on site in order to assure compliance with the requirements of 641—Chapter 40, or where shielding supplied with the accelerator has been evaluated by qualified experts and that evaluation approved by an appropriate regulatory authority through a device evaluation.

**45.4(3) Registration or license requirements.** No person shall receive, possess, use, transfer, own, or acquire a particle accelerator except as authorized in a registration or license issued pursuant to 641—39.1(136C) to 39.4(136C) and the following requirements:

*a.* Accelerator facilities whose operations result in nuclear transformations that produce or are likely to produce radioactive material more than the exempt quantities and concentrations listed in Appendices A and B of 641—Chapter 39 shall be authorized by the issuance of a radioactive material license in accordance with 641—Chapter 39. Accelerator facilities that produce or are likely to produce radioactive material less than the exempt quantities and concentrations shall be authorized by registration.

*b.* For accelerator facilities required to be licensed in accordance with 45.4(3), those operations that would require personnel monitoring, pursuant to 641—40.37(136C), due to the presence of radioactive material, shall be performed only by a specific licensee. Such operations would normally include installation, testing and maintenance as well as routine operations.

**45.4(4) General requirements for the issuance of a registration or license for particle accelerators.** Along with the requirements of 641—39.1(136C) to 39.4(136C), an application for use of a particle accelerator will be approved only if the agency determines that:

*a.* The applicant is qualified by reason of training and experience to use the accelerator in question for the purpose requested in accordance with this rule and 641—Chapter 40 in such a manner as to minimize danger to public health and safety or property;

*b.* The applicant’s proposed or existing equipment, facilities, and operating and emergency procedures are adequate to protect health and minimize danger to public health and safety or property;

c. The issuance of the registration or license will not be inimical to the health and safety of the public, and the applicant satisfies any applicable special requirement in 45.4(4);

d. The applicant has appointed a radiation safety officer responsible for the day-to-day operation of the radiation safety program;

e. The applicant and the applicant's staff have experience in the use of particle accelerators and training sufficient for application to its intended uses;

f. The applicant has an adequate training program for operators of particle accelerators.

**45.4(5) Personnel monitoring.** In addition to the requirements of 641—Chapter 40, personnel monitoring shall be provided to and used by all individuals entering any area for which interlocks are required unless a survey of the area has determined that radiation levels are below that of a high radiation area; and

a. Power to an accelerator cannot be activated; or

b. An accelerated beam cannot be directed to the area.

**45.4(6) Operations.**

a. No registrant shall permit any individual to act as an operator of a particle accelerator until such individual:

(1) Has been instructed in radiation safety and shall have demonstrated an understanding thereof;

(2) Has received copies of and instruction in this rule and the applicable requirements of 641—Chapter 40, pertinent registration and the registrant's operating and emergency procedures, and shall have demonstrated understanding thereof; and

(3) Has demonstrated competence to use the particle accelerator, related equipment, and survey instruments which will be employed.

b. The radiation safety officer or radiation safety committee, if applicable, shall have the authority to terminate the operations at a particle accelerator facility if such action is deemed necessary to minimize danger to public health and safety or property.

c. Along with the audit required in 641—subrule 40.10(3), each operator's performance during an actual accelerator operation shall be audited by the radiation safety officer or designee at intervals not to exceed six months. If an operator has not participated in an accelerator operation for more than six months since the last audit, the individual's performance shall be observed and recorded at the first opportunity the individual participates in an accelerator operation. Records of the audits shall be maintained by the registrant for the agency inspection for three years from the date of the audit.

d. Operators of particle accelerators used for industrial radiography shall meet the requirements of 45.1(10).

**45.4(7) Shielding and safety design requirements.**

a. A qualified expert acceptable to the agency shall be consulted in the design of a particle accelerator installation and called upon to perform a radiation survey when the accelerator is first capable of producing radiation.

b. Each particle accelerator installation shall be provided with such primary and secondary barriers as are necessary to ensure compliance with 641—40.15(136C) and 641—40.26(136C).

c. In addition to the requirements of 45.4(8) "a" and "b," shielded facilities or self-shielded particle accelerators shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Authorization, by issuance of a construction permit, shall be granted upon a determination of adequacy being made pursuant to the review of an initial application of the shielding design, physical plant, and site specifications, and of the applicant's proposed equipment, uses and workloads. For a shielded facility, the applicant shall submit an evaluation of the shielding design by a qualified expert. For a self-shielded particle accelerator, the applicant need not submit an evaluation of a shielding design if an evaluation by an appropriate regulatory authority has been performed. The applicant may instead reference this evaluation. The applicant shall maintain a copy of the evaluation of shielding design for agency review.

(2) Authorization for installation and testing of an accelerator shall be given only after a determination of adequacy of testing protocols, testing safety procedures, staff training, and radiation detection instrumentation has been made; and

(3) Operational use of an accelerator shall be authorized only after determination of adequacy of the items listed in 45.4(4) has been made by the agency.

**45.4(8) Particle accelerator controls and interlock systems.**

a. Instrumentation, readouts, and controls on the particle accelerator control console shall be clearly identified, easily discernible and located outside the high radiation area.

b. Each entrance into a target area or other high radiation area shall be provided with two safety interlocks that shut down the machine when the barrier is breached.

c. Each safety interlock shall be on a circuit that allows it to operate independently of all other safety interlocks.

d. All safety interlocks shall be designed so that any defect or component failure in the safety interlock system prevents operation of the accelerator.

e. When a safety interlock system has been tripped, it shall only be possible to resume operation of the accelerator by manually resetting controls at the position where the safety interlock has been tripped and, lastly, at the main control console.

f. A scram button or other emergency power cutoff switch shall be located and easily identifiable in all high radiation areas. Such a cutoff switch shall include a manual reset so that the accelerator cannot be restarted from the accelerator control console without resetting the cutoff switch.

**45.4(9) Warning devices.**

a. Each location designated as a high radiation area, and each entrance to such location, shall be equipped with easily observable warning lights that operate when, and only when, radiation is being produced.

b. Each high radiation area shall have an audible warning device that shall be activated for 15 seconds prior to the possible creation of such high radiation area. Such warning device shall be clearly discernible in all high radiation areas.

c. Barriers, temporary or otherwise, and pathways leading to high radiation areas shall be posted in accordance with 641—40.61(136C).

**45.4(10) Operating and emergency procedures.**

a. Particle accelerators, when not in operation, shall be secured to prevent unauthorized use.

b. The safety interlock system shall not be used to turn off the accelerator beam except in an emergency.

c. All safety and warning devices, including interlocks, shall be checked for proper operation intervals not to exceed three months. Results of such tests shall be maintained at the accelerator facility for inspection by the agency for three years.

d. All incidents in which the interlock system fails to operate properly or where the operation is terminated by the interlock system shall be investigated and reported to the radiation safety officer or, if applicable, the radiation safety committee. Documentation shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for three years.

e. If, for any reason, it is necessary to intentionally bypass a safety interlock or interlocks, such action shall be:

- (1) Authorized by the radiation safety officer and, if applicable, the radiation safety committee;
- (2) Recorded in a permanent log and a notice posted at the accelerator control console; and
- (3) Terminated as soon as possible.

f. The registrant's operating and emergency procedures shall include the following:

- (1) Operation and safety instructions on the accelerator(s) to be used;
- (2) Methods for controlling access to restricted areas;
- (3) Methods and occasions for locking and securing sources of radiation;
- (4) Use of personnel monitoring equipment;
- (5) The procedure for notifying proper personnel in the event of an accident;
- (6) Maintenance of records;
- (7) Inspections and maintenance of the accelerator; and
- (8) Steps to be taken in the case of an emergency.

g. A copy of the current operating and emergency procedures shall be maintained at the accelerator control panel.

**45.4(11) Radiation monitoring requirements.**

a. A radiation protection survey shall be performed and documented by a qualified expert, acceptable to the agency, when changes have been made in shielding, operation, equipment, or occupancy of adjacent areas.

b. Accelerator facilities shall survey with a radiation detection instrument at intervals not to exceed 12 months. Records of this survey shall be maintained for agency review for three years.

c. Accelerator facilities registered or licensed pursuant to 45.4(3) "a" shall survey for removable contamination at intervals not to exceed six months to determine the degree of contamination.

d. Each time removable shields on self-shielded particle accelerators are opened, a visual survey of the shielding must be performed to observe physical damage. In addition, when these shields are returned to the closed position, a physical radiation survey shall be conducted upon initial reactivating of the accelerator. Records of this survey shall be maintained for agency review for three years.

e. Accelerator facilities registered or licensed pursuant to 45.4(3) "a" shall perform a survey with a radiation detection instrument and surveys for removable contamination before maintenance or servicing of its particle accelerator(s) or associated equipment located in the high radiation area.

f. Radiation levels in all high radiation areas shall be continuously monitored. The monitoring devices shall be electrically independent of the accelerator control and safety interlock systems and capable of providing a readout at the control panel.

g. Upon installation, all area monitoring equipment shall be tested to assure proper operation under operating conditions of the particle accelerator. All area monitors shall be calibrated at intervals not to exceed one year and after each servicing and repair.

h. Whenever applicable, accelerator facilities registered or licensed pursuant to 45.4(3) "a" shall perform surveys at intervals not to exceed six months to determine the amount of airborne particulate radioactivity present.

i. All surveys shall be made in accordance with the written procedures established by the radiation safety officer or a qualified expert who is acceptable to the agency.

j. Records of all radiation protection surveys, calibrations, and instrumentation tests shall be maintained at the accelerator facility for inspection by the agency.

**45.4(12) Radiation safety officer.**

a. Each registrant shall appoint a radiation safety officer that meets the following requirements:

(1) Possesses a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency based on the GED test;

(2) Documents two years of radiation protection experience.

b. The specific duties of the RSO include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) To establish and oversee operating, emergency, and ALARA procedures and to review them regularly to ensure that the procedures are current and conform with these rules;

(2) To oversee and approve all phases of the training program for accelerator operators so that appropriate and effective radiation protection practices are taught;

(3) To ensure that required radiation surveys are performed and documented in accordance with these rules, including any corrective measures when levels of radiation exceed established limits;

(4) To ensure that personnel monitoring devices are calibrated and used properly by occupationally exposed personnel, that records are kept of the monitoring results, and that timely notifications are made as required by 641—Chapter 40;

(5) To ensure that any required interlock switches and warning signals are functioning and that radiation signs, ropes, and barriers are properly posted and positioned;

(6) To investigate and report to the agency each known or suspected case of radiation exposure to an individual or radiation level detected in excess of limits established by these rules and each theft or loss of source(s) of radiation, to determine the cause, and to take steps to prevent its recurrence;

(7) To have a thorough knowledge of management policies and administrative procedures of the licensee or registrant;



- (8) To assume control and have the authority to institute corrective actions including shutdown of operations when necessary in emergency situations or unsafe conditions;
- (9) To maintain records as required by these rules;
- (10) To ensure the proper storing, labeling, and use of the accelerator;
- (11) To ensure that inspection and maintenance programs are performed in accordance with 45.1(6), 45.1(8), 45.4(10) “c”; and
- (12) To ensure that personnel are complying with these rules and the operating and emergency procedures of the registrant.

**641—45.5(136C) Radiation safety requirements for analytical X-ray equipment.**

**45.5(1) Purpose and scope.** This rule provides special requirements for analytical X-ray equipment. The requirements of this rule are in addition to, and not in substitution for, 641—Chapters 38, 39, and 40. The requirements of rules 641—45.1(136C) to 641—45.4(136C) do not apply.

**45.5(2) Definitions.** For the purpose of this subrule, definitions in 641—Chapter 38 may also apply. As used in this rule, the following definitions apply:

“*Analytical X-ray equipment*” means equipment used for X-ray diffraction or fluorescence analysis.

“*Analytical X-ray system*” means a group of components utilizing X-rays or gamma rays to determine the elemental composition or to examine the microstructure of materials.

“*Fail-safe characteristics*” means a design feature which causes beam port shutters to close, or otherwise prevents emergence of the primary beam, upon the failure of a safety or warning device.

“*Local components*” means part of an analytical X-ray system and includes X-ray areas that are struck by X-rays such as radiation source housings, port and shutter assemblies, collimators, sample holders, cameras, goniometers, detectors, and shielding, but does not include power supplies, transformers, amplifiers, readout devices, and control panels.

“*Normal operating procedures*” means step-by-step instructions necessary to accomplish the analysis. These procedures shall include sample insertion and manipulation, equipment alignment, routine maintenance by the registrant or licensee, and data recording procedures, which are related to radiation safety.

“*Open-beam configuration*” means an analytical X-ray system in which an individual could accidentally place some part of his body in the primary beam path during normal operation.

“*Primary beam*” means radiation which passes through an aperture of the source housing by a direct path from the X-ray tube or a radioactive source located in the radiation source housing.

**45.5(3) Equipment requirements.**

*a. Safety device.* A device which prevents the entry of any portion of an individual’s body into the primary X-ray beam path or which causes the beam to be shut off upon entry into its path shall be provided on all open-beam configurations. A registrant or licensee may apply to the agency for an exemption from the requirement of a safety device. Such application shall include:

- (1) A description of the various safety devices that have been evaluated;
- (2) The reason each of these devices cannot be used; and
- (3) A description of the alternative methods that will be employed to minimize the possibility of an accidental exposure, including procedures to ensure that operators and others in the area will be informed of the absence of safety devices.

*b. Warning devices.*

(1) Open-beam configurations shall be provided with a readily discernible indication of:

1. X-ray tube “on-off” status located near the radiation source housing, if the primary beam is controlled in this manner; or
2. Shutter “open-closed” status located near each port on the radiation source housing, if the primary beam is controlled in this manner.

(2) An easily visible warning light labeled with the words “X-RAY ON,” or words having a similar intent, shall be located:

1. Near any switch that energizes an X-ray tube and shall be illuminated only when the tube is energized; or

2. In the case of a radioactive source, near any switch that opens a housing shutter and shall be illuminated only when the shutter is open.

(3) Warning devices shall be labeled so that their purpose is easily identified. On equipment installed after the effective date of these rules, warning devices shall have fail-safe characteristics.

*c. Ports.* Unused ports on radiation source housings shall be secured in the closed position in a manner which will prevent casual opening.

*d. Labeling.* All analytical X-ray equipment shall be labeled with a readily discernible sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words:

(1) "CAUTION—HIGH INTENSITY X-RAY BEAM," or words having a similar intent, on the X-ray source housing; and

(2) "CAUTION—RADIATION—THIS EQUIPMENT PRODUCES RADIATION WHEN ENERGIZED," or words having a similar intent, near any switch that energizes an X-ray tube if the radiation source is an X-ray tube; or

(3) "CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL," or words having a similar intent, on the source housing in accordance with 641—40.63(136C) if the radiation source is a radionuclide.

*e. Shutters.* On open-beam configurations, each port on the radiation source housing shall be equipped with a shutter that cannot be opened unless a collimator or a coupling has been connected to the port.

*f. Radiation source housing.* Each radiation source housing shall be subject to the following requirements:

(1) Each X-ray tube housing shall be equipped with an interlock that shuts off the tube if it is removed from the radiation source housing or if the housing is disassembled.

(2) Each radioactive source housing or port cover or each X-ray tube housing shall be so constructed that, with all shutters closed, the radiation measured at a distance of 5 centimeters from its surface is not capable of producing a dose in excess of 2.5 millirems (0.025 mSv) in one hour. For systems utilizing X-ray tubes, this limit shall be met at any specified tube rating.

*g. Generator cabinet.* Each X-ray generator shall be supplied with a protective cabinet which limits leakage radiation measured at a distance of 5 centimeters from its surface such that it is not capable of producing a dose in excess of 0.25 millirem (2.5 mSv) in one hour.

**45.5(4) Area requirements.**

*a. Radiation levels.* The local components of an analytical X-ray system shall be located and arranged and shall include sufficient shielding or access control such that no radiation levels exist in any area surrounding the local component group which could result in a dose to an individual present therein in excess of the dose limits given in 641—40.26(136C). For systems utilizing X-ray tubes, these levels shall be met at any specified tube rating.

*b. Surveys.*

(1) Radiation surveys, as required by 641—40.36(136C), of all analytical X-ray systems sufficient to show compliance with 45.5(4) "a" shall be performed:

1. Upon installation of the equipment, and at least once every 12 months thereafter;

2. Following any change in the initial arrangement, number, or type of local components in the system;

3. Following any maintenance requiring the disassembly or removal of a local component in the system;

4. During the performance of maintenance and alignment procedures if the procedures require the presence of a primary X-ray beam when any local component in the system is disassembled or removed;

5. Anytime a visual inspection of the local components in the system reveals an abnormal condition; and

6. Whenever personnel monitoring devices show a significant increase over the previous monitoring period or the readings are approaching the limits specified in 641—40.15(136C).

(2) Radiation survey measurements shall not be required if a registrant or licensee can demonstrate compliance with 45.5(4) "a" to the satisfaction of the agency.

*c. Posting.* Each area or room containing analytical X-ray equipment shall be conspicuously posted with a sign or signs bearing the radiation symbol and the words “CAUTION—X-RAY EQUIPMENT” or words having a similar intent in accordance with 641—subrule 40.61(1).

**45.5(5) Operating requirements.**

*a. Procedures.* Normal operating procedures shall be written and available to all analytical X-ray equipment workers. No individual shall be permitted to operate analytical X-ray equipment in any manner other than that specified in the procedures unless such individual has obtained written approval of the radiation safety officer.

*b. Bypassing.* No individual shall bypass a safety device or interlock unless such individual has obtained the approval of the radiation safety officer. Such approval shall be for a specified period of time. When a safety device or interlock has been bypassed, a readily discernible sign bearing the words “SAFETY DEVICE NOT WORKING,” or words having a similar intent, shall be placed on the radiation source housing.

*c. Repair or modification of X-ray tube systems.* Except as specified in 45.5(5) “b,” no operation involving removal of covers, shielding materials or tube housings or modifications to shutters, collimators, or beam stops shall be performed without ascertaining that the tube is off and will remain off until safe conditions have been restored. The main switch, rather than interlocks, shall be used for routine shutdown in preparation for repairs.

*d. Radioactive source replacement, testing, or repair.* Radioactive source housings shall be opened for source replacement, leak testing, or other maintenance or repair procedures only by individuals authorized to specifically conduct such procedures under a license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state.

**45.5(6) Personnel requirements.**

*a. Instruction.* No individual shall be permitted to operate or maintain analytical X-ray equipment unless such individual has received instruction in and demonstrated competence as to:

- (1) Identification of radiation hazards associated with the use of the equipment;
- (2) Significance of the various radiation warnings, safety devices, and interlocks incorporated into the equipment, or the reasons they have not been installed on certain pieces of equipment and the extra precautions required in such cases;
- (3) Proper operating procedures for the equipment;
- (4) Recognition of symptoms of an acute localized exposure; and
- (5) Proper procedures for reporting an actual or suspected exposure.

*b. Personnel monitoring.*

- (1) Finger or wrist dosimetry devices shall be provided to and shall be used by:
  1. Analytical X-ray equipment workers using systems having an open-beam configuration and not equipped with a safety device; and
  2. Personnel maintaining analytical X-ray equipment if the maintenance procedures require the presence of a primary X-ray beam when any local component in the analytical X-ray system is disassembled or removed.
- (2) Reported dose values shall not be used for the purpose of determining compliance with 641—subrule 40.2(1) unless evaluated by a qualified expert.

**641—45.6(136C) Radiation safety requirements for well-logging, wireline service operations and subsurface tracer studies.**

**45.6(1) Purpose.** This rule establishes radiation safety requirements for using sources of radiation for wireline service operations including mineral-logging, radioactive markers, and subsurface tracer studies. The requirements of this rule are in addition to, and not in substitution for, the requirements of 641—Chapters 38, 39, and 40. The requirements of 641—45.1(136C) to 641—45.5(136C) do not apply.

**45.6(2) Scope.** This rule applies to all licensees or registrants who use sources of radiation for wireline service operations including mineral-logging, radioactive markers, or subsurface tracer studies.

**45.6(3) Definitions.** For the purpose of this subrule, the definitions of 641—Chapter 38 may also apply. As used in this rule, the following definitions apply:

*“Energy compensation source (ECS)”* means a small sealed source, with an activity not exceeding 3.7 MBq (100 microcuries), used within a logging tool, or other tool components, to provide a reference standard to maintain the tool’s calibration when in use.

*“Fresh water aquifer”* means a geologic formation that is capable of yielding fresh water to a well or spring.

*“Injection tool”* means a device used for controlled subsurface injection of radioactive tracer material.

*“Logging assistant”* means any individual who, under the direct supervision of a logging supervisor, handles sealed sources or tracers that are not in logging tools or shipping containers or who performs surveys required by 45.6(22).

*“Logging supervisor”* means the individual who uses licensed material or provides direct supervision in the use of licensed material at a temporary job site and who is responsible to the licensee for ensuring compliance with the requirements of these rules and the conditions of the license.

*“Logging tool”* means a device used subsurface to perform well-logging.

*“Personal supervision”* means guidance and instruction by the logging supervisor who is physically present at the temporary job site, who is in personal contact with logging assistants, and who can give immediate assistance.

*“Radioactive marker”* means licensed material used for depth determination or direction orientation. For purposes of this rule, this term includes radioactive collar markers and radioactive iron nails.

*“Safety review”* means a periodic review on radiation safety aspects of well-logging provided by the licensee for its employees. The review may include, as appropriate, the results of internal inspections, new procedures or equipment, accidents or errors that have been observed, and opportunities for employees to ask safety questions.

*“Source holder”* means a housing or assembly into which a sealed source is placed to facilitate the handling and use of the source in well-logging operations.

*“Subsurface tracer study”* means the release of unsealed licensed material or a substance labeled with licensed material in a single well for the purpose of tracing the movement or position of the material or substance in the well or adjacent formation.

*“Surface casing”* for protecting fresh water aquifers means a pipe or tube used as a lining in a well to isolate fresh water aquifers from the well.

*“Temporary job site”* means a place where licensed materials are present for the purpose of performing well-logging or subsurface tracer studies.

*“Tritium neutron generator target source”* means a tritium source used within a neutron generator tube to produce neutrons for use in well-logging applications.

*“Uranium sinker bar”* means a weight containing depleted uranium used to pull a logging tool down toward the bottom of a well.

*“Well”* means a drilled hole in which well-logging may be performed. As used in this rule, “well” includes drilled holes for the purpose of oil, gas, mineral, groundwater, or geological exploration.

*“Well-logging”* means all operations involving the lowering and raising of measuring devices or tools which may contain licensed material or are used to detect licensed materials in wells for the purpose of obtaining information about the well or adjacent formations and which may be used in oil, gas, mineral, groundwater, or geological exploration.

*“Wireline”* means a cable containing one or more electrical conductors which is used to lower and raise logging tools in the well-bore.

*“Wireline service operation”* means any evaluation or mechanical service which is performed in the well-bore using devices on a wireline.

**45.6(4) Agreement with well owner or operator.**

a. A licensee may perform well-logging with a sealed source only after the licensee has a written agreement with the employing well owner or operator. This written agreement must identify who will meet the following requirements:

- (1) If a sealed source becomes lodged in the well, a reasonable effort will be made to recover it;

(2) A person may not attempt to recover a sealed source in a manner which, in the licensee's opinion, could result in its rupture;

(3) The radiation monitoring required in 45.6(8) and 45.6(17) will be performed;

(4) If the environment, any equipment, or personnel are contaminated with licensed material, they must be decontaminated before release from the site or release for unrestricted use; and

(5) If the sealed source is classified as irretrievable after reasonable efforts at recovery have been expended, the following requirements must be implemented within 30 days:

1. Each irretrievable well-logging source must be immobilized and sealed in place with a cement plug;

2. There must be a means to prevent inadvertent intrusion on the source, unless the source is not accessible to any subsequent drilling operations; and

3. A permanent identification plaque, constructed of long-lasting material, such as stainless steel, brass, bronze, or Monel, must be mounted at the surface of the well, unless the mounting of the plaque is not practical. The size of the plaque must be at least 17 cm (7 inches) square and 3 mm (1/8-inch) thick. The plaque must contain:

- The word "Caution";
- The radiation symbol (the color requirement in 641—40.60(136C) need not be met);
- The date the source was abandoned;
- The name of the well owner or well operator, as appropriate;
- The well name and well identification number(s) or other designation;
- An identification of the sealed source(s) by radionuclide and quantity;
- The depth of the source and depth to the top of the plug; and
- An appropriate warning such as, "Do not reenter this well."

b. The licensee shall retain a copy of the written agreement for three years after the completion of the well-logging operation.

c. A licensee may apply, pursuant to 641—38.3(136C), for agency approval, on a case-by-case basis, of proposed procedures to abandon an irretrievable well-logging source in a manner not otherwise authorized in 45.6(26) "a"(5).

d. A written agreement between the licensee and the well owner or operator is not required if the licensee and the well owner or operator are part of the same corporate structure or otherwise similarly affiliated. However, the licensee shall still otherwise meet the requirements in 45.6(26) "a"(1) through (5).

**45.6(5) Limits on levels of radiation.** Sources of radiation shall be used, stored, and transported in such a manner that the transportation requirements of 641—39.5(136C) and the dose limitation requirements of 641—Chapter 40 are met.

**45.6(6) Storage precautions.**

a. Each source of radiation shall be provided with a storage or transport container. The container shall be provided with a lock, or tamper seal for calibration sources, to prevent unauthorized removal of, or exposure to, the source of radiation.

b. Sources of radiation shall be stored in a manner which will minimize danger from explosion or fire.

**45.6(7) Transport precautions.** Transport containers shall be physically secured to the transporting vehicle to prevent accidental loss, tampering, or unauthorized removal.

**45.6(8) Radiation survey instruments.**

a. The licensee or registrant shall maintain sufficient calibrated and operable radiation survey instruments at each field station to make physical radiation surveys as required by this subrule and by 641—40.36(136C). Instrumentation shall be capable of measuring 0.1 milliroentgen (25.8 nanocoulombs/kg) per hour through at least 50 milliroentgens (12.9 microcoulombs/kg) per hour.

b. Each radiation survey instrument shall be calibrated:

- (1) At intervals not to exceed six months and after each instrument servicing;

(2) For linear scale instruments, at two points located approximately 1/3 and 2/3 of full-scale on each scale; for logarithmic scale instruments, at midrange of each decade, and at two points of at least one decade; and for digital instruments, at appropriate points; and

(3) So that accuracy within 20 percent of the true radiation level can be demonstrated on each scale.

c. Calibration records shall be maintained for a period of two years for inspection by the agency.

**45.6(9) Leak testing of sealed sources.**

a. *Testing and record-keeping requirements.* Each licensee using sealed sources of radioactive material shall have the sources tested for leakage periodically. Records of leak test results shall be kept in units of microcuries (Bq) and maintained for three years after the leak test is performed.

b. *Method of testing.* Tests for leakage shall be performed only by persons specifically authorized to perform such tests by the NRC, an agreement state, or a licensing state. The wipe of a sealed source must be performed using a leak test kit or method approved by the NRC, an agreement state, or a licensing state. The wipe sample must be taken from the nearest assessable point to the sealed source where contamination might accumulate. The test sample shall be analyzed for radioactive contamination, and the analysis shall be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) of radioactive material on the test sample.

c. *Interval of testing.*

(1) Each sealed source of radioactive material (except an energy compensation source (ECS)) shall be tested at intervals not to exceed six months. In the absence of a certificate from a transferor indicating that a test has been made six months prior to the transfer, the sealed source shall not be put into use until tested. If, for any reason, it is suspected that a sealed source may be leaking, it shall be removed from service immediately and tested for leakage as soon as practical.

(2) Each ECS that is not exempt from testing in accordance with 45.6(9)“c”(1) must be tested at intervals not to exceed three years. In the absence of a certificate from a transferor that a test has been made within the three years before the transfer, the ECS may not be used until tested.

d. *Leaking or contaminated sources.*

(1) If the test in 45.6(9)“c” reveals the presence of 0.005 microcurie (185 Bq) or more of removable radioactive material, the licensee shall immediately withdraw the source from use and shall cause it to be decontaminated, repaired, or disposed of by an NRC, agreement state, or licensing state licensee that is authorized to perform these functions. The licensee shall check the equipment associated with the leaking source for radioactive contamination and, if contaminated, have it decontaminated or disposed of by an NRC, agreement state, or licensing state licensee that is authorized to perform these functions.

(2) A report describing the equipment involved, the test results, any contamination which resulted from the leaking source, and the corrective action taken up to the time of the report shall be filed with the agency within five days of receiving the test results.

e. *Exemptions.* The following sources are exempted from the periodic leak test requirements of 45.6(9)“a” to “d”:

- (1) Hydrogen-3 (tritium) sources;
- (2) Sources of radioactive material with a half-life of 30 days or less;
- (3) Sealed sources of radioactive material in gaseous form;
- (4) Sources of beta- or gamma-emitting radioactive material with an activity of 100 microcuries (3.7 MBq) or less; and

(5) Sources of alpha- or neutron-emitting radioactive material with an activity of 10 microcuries (0.370 MBq) or less.

**45.6(10) Quarterly inventory.** Each licensee or registrant shall conduct a quarterly physical inventory to account for all sources of radiation. Records of inventories shall be maintained for two years from the date of the inventory for inspection by the agency and shall include the quantities and kinds of sources of radiation, the location where sources of radiation are assigned, the date of the inventory, and the name of the individual conducting the inventory.

**45.6(11) Utilization records.** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain current records, which shall be kept available for inspection by the agency for two years from the date of the recorded event, showing the following information for each source of radiation:

- a. Make, model number, and a serial number or a description of each source of radiation used;
- b. The identity of the well-logging supervisor or field unit to whom assigned;
- c. Locations where used and dates of use; and
- d. In the case of tracer materials and radioactive markers, the utilization record shall indicate the radionuclide and activity used in a particular well.

**45.6(12) Design, performance, and certification criteria for sealed sources used in well-logging operations.**

- a. A licensee may use a sealed source for use in well-logging applications if:
  - (1) The sealed source is doubly encapsulated construction;
  - (2) The sealed source contains chemical and physical forms that are as insoluble and nondispersible as practical; and

- (3) The sealed source meets the requirements of 45.6(12)“b,” “c,” and “d.”

- b. For a sealed source manufactured on or before July 14, 1989, a licensee may use the sealed source for use in well-logging applications if it meets the requirements of USASI N5.10-1968, “Classification of Sealed Radioactive Sources,” or the requirements in 45.6(12)“c” or “d.”

- c. For a sealed source manufactured after July 14, 1989, a licensee may use the sealed source for well-logging applications if it meets the oil-well-logging requirements of ANSI/HPS N43.6-1997, “Sealed Radioactive Sources—Classification.”

- d. For a sealed source manufactured after July 14, 1989, a licensee may use the sealed source for use in well-logging applications if the sealed source’s prototype has been tested and found to maintain its integrity after each of the following tests.

- (1) Temperature. The test source must be held at -40 degrees C for 20 minutes, 600 degrees C for one hour, and then be subject to a thermal shock test with a temperature drop from 600 degrees C within 15 seconds.

- (2) Impact test. A 5 kg steel hammer, 2.5 cm in diameter, must be dropped from a height of 1 m onto the test source.

- (3) Vibration test. The test source must be subject to a vibration from 25 Hz to 500 Hz at 5 g amplitude for 30 minutes.

- (4) Puncture test. A one gram hammer and pin, 0.3 cm pin diameter, must be dropped from a height of 1 m onto the test source.

- (5) Pressure test. The test source must be subject to an external pressure of  $1.695 \times 10^7$  pascals (24,600 pounds per square inch absolute).

- e. The requirements in 45.6(12)“a,” “b,” “c,” and “d” do not apply to sealed sources that contain licensed material in gaseous form.

- f. The requirements of 45.6(12)“a,” “b,” “c,” and “d” do not apply to energy compensation sources (ECS). ECSs must be registered with the NRC, licensing state, or agreement state.

**45.6(13) Labeling.**

- a. Each source, source holder, or logging tool containing radioactive material shall bear a durable, legible, and clearly visible marking or label, which has, as a minimum, the standard radiation caution symbol, without the conventional color requirement, and the following wording:

DANGER<sup>1</sup>  
RADIOACTIVE

This labeling shall be on the smallest component transported as a separate piece of equipment.

- b. Each transport container shall have permanently attached to it a durable, legible, and clearly visible label which has, as a minimum, the standard radiation caution symbol and the following wording:

DANGER<sup>1</sup>  
RADIOACTIVE

NOTIFY CIVIL AUTHORITIES  
[OR NAME OF COMPANY]

<sup>1</sup>or CAUTION

**45.6(14) Inspection and maintenance.**

*a.* Each licensee or registrant shall conduct, at intervals not to exceed six months, a program of inspection and maintenance of source holders, logging tools, source handling tools, storage containers, transport containers, and injection tools to ensure proper labeling and physical condition. Records of inspection and maintenance shall be maintained for a period of two years for inspection by the agency.

*b.* If any inspection conducted pursuant to 45.6(14) “*a*” reveals damage to labeling or components critical to radiation safety, the device shall be removed from service until repairs have been made.

*c.* If a sealed source is stuck in the source holder, the licensee shall not perform any operation, such as drilling, cutting, or chiseling, on the source holder unless the licensee is specifically approved by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state to perform this operation.

*d.* The repair, opening, or modification of any sealed source shall be performed only by persons specifically authorized to do so by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state.

**45.6(15) Training requirements.**

*a.* No licensee or registrant shall permit any individual to act as a logging supervisor as defined in this rule until such individual has:

(1) Received, in a course recognized by the agency, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an agreement state, or a licensing state, instruction in the subjects outlined in Appendix E of this chapter and demonstrated an understanding thereof;

(2) Read and received instruction in the rules contained in this chapter and the applicable sections of 641—Chapters 38, 39, and 40 or their equivalent, conditions of appropriate license or certificate of registration, and the licensee’s or registrant’s operating and emergency procedures, and demonstrated an understanding thereof; and

(3) Demonstrated competence to use sources of radiation, related handling tools, and radiation survey instruments which will be used on the job.

*b.* No licensee or registrant shall permit any individual to assist in the handling of sources of radiation until such individual has:

(1) Read or received instruction in the licensee’s or registrant’s operating and emergency procedures and demonstrated an understanding thereof; and

(2) Demonstrated competence to use, under the direct supervision of the logging supervisor, the sources of radiation, related handling tools, and radiation survey instruments which will be used on the job.

*c.* The licensee or registrant shall maintain employee training records for inspection by the agency for two years following termination of the individual’s employment.

**45.6(16) Operating and emergency procedures.** Each licensee or registrant shall develop and follow written operating and emergency procedures that cover:

*a.* The handling and use of sources of radiation, including the use of sealed sources in wells without surface casing for protecting fresh water aquifers, if appropriate;

*b.* The use of remote handling tools for handling sealed sources and radioactive tracer material except low-activity calibration sources;

*c.* Methods and occasions for conducting radiation surveys, including surveys for detecting contamination, as required by 45.6(22);

*d.* Minimizing personnel exposure, including exposures from inhalation and ingestion of licensed tracer materials;

*e.* Methods and occasions for locking and securing stored licensed or registered materials;

*f.* Personnel monitoring and the use of personnel monitoring equipment;

*g.* Transportation of licensed or registered materials to field stations or temporary job sites, packaging of licensed or registered materials for transport in vehicles, placarding of vehicles when needed, and physically securing licensed materials in transport vehicles during transportation to prevent accidental loss, tampering, or unauthorized removal;



*h.* Picking up, receiving, and opening packages containing licensed or registered materials, in accordance with 641—40.65(136C);

*i.* For the use of tracers, decontamination of the environment, equipment, and personnel;

*j.* Maintenance of records generated by well logging personnel at temporary job sites;

*k.* The inspection and maintenance of sealed sources, source holders, logging tools, injection tools, source handling tools, storage containers, transport containers, and uranium sinker bars as required by 45.6(14);

*l.* Identifying and reporting defects and noncompliance;

*m.* Actions to be taken if a sealed source is lodged in a well;

*n.* Notifying proper persons in the event of an accident; and

*o.* Actions to be taken if a sealed source is ruptured that include actions to prevent the spread of contamination and minimize inhalation and ingestion of licensed materials and actions to obtain suitable radiation survey instruments as required in 45.6(8).

**45.6(17) Personnel monitoring.**

*a.* No licensee or registrant shall permit any individual to act as a logging supervisor or to assist in the handling of sources of radiation unless each such individual wears, at all times during the handling of licensed radioactive materials, a film badge, OSL device or thermoluminescent dosimeter (TLD) that is processed and evaluated by an accredited National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP). Each film badge, OSL device or TLD shall be assigned to and worn by only one individual. Film badges must be replaced at least monthly and OSL devices and TLDs replaced at least quarterly. After replacement, each film badge, OSL device or TLD must be promptly processed.

*b.* The licensee shall provide bioassay services to individuals using licensed materials in subsurface tracer studies if required by the license.

*c.* Personnel monitoring records and bioassay results shall be maintained for inspection until the agency authorizes disposition.

**45.6(18) Security.** During each logging or tracer application, the logging supervisor or other designated employee shall maintain direct surveillance of the operation to protect against unauthorized or unnecessary entry into a restricted area, as defined in 641—Chapter 38.

**45.6(19) Handling tools.** The licensee shall provide and require the use of tools that will ensure remote handling of sealed sources other than low activity calibration sources.

**45.6(20) Subsurface tracer studies.**

*a.* Protective gloves and other appropriate protective clothing and equipment shall be used by all personnel handling radioactive tracer material. Precautions shall be taken to avoid ingestion or inhalation of radioactive material.

*b.* No licensee shall cause the injection of radioactive material into potable aquifers without prior written authorization from the agency and any other appropriate state agency.

**45.6(21) Particle accelerators.** No licensee or registrant shall permit aboveground testing of particle accelerators, designed for use in well-logging, which results in the production of radiation, except in areas or facilities so controlled or shielded that the requirements of 641—40.15(136C) and 641—40.26(136C), as applicable, are met.

**45.6(22) Radiation surveys.**

*a.* Radiation surveys or calculations shall be made and recorded for each area where radioactive materials are used and stored.

*b.* Radiation surveys shall be made and recorded for the radiation levels in occupied positions and on the exterior of each vehicle used to transport radioactive material. Such surveys shall include each source of radiation or combination of sources to be transported in the vehicle.

*c.* If the sealed source assembly is removed from the logging tool before departing the job site, the logging tool detector shall be energized, or a survey meter used, to ensure that the logging tool is free of contamination.

*d.* Radiation surveys shall be made and recorded at the job site or wellhead for each tracer operation, except those using hydrogen-3, carbon-14, and sulfur-35. These surveys shall include measurements of radiation levels before and after the operation.

*e.* Records required pursuant to 45.6(22)“a” to “d” shall include the dates, the identification of individual(s) making the survey, the identification of survey instrument(s) used, and an exact description of the location of the survey. Records of these surveys shall be maintained for inspection by the agency for two years after completion of the survey.

**45.6(23) Documents and records required at field stations.** Each licensee or registrant shall maintain, for inspection by the agency, the following documents and records for the specific devices and sources used at the field station:

- a.* Appropriate license, certificate of registration, or equivalent document(s);
- b.* Operating and emergency procedures;
- c.* Applicable regulations;
- d.* Records of the latest survey instrument calibrations pursuant to 45.6(8);
- e.* Records of the latest leak test results pursuant to 45.6(9);
- f.* Records of quarterly inventories required pursuant to 45.6(10);
- g.* Utilization records required pursuant to 45.6(11);
- h.* Records of inspection and maintenance required pursuant to 45.6(14);
- i.* Survey records required pursuant to 45.6(22); and
- j.* Training records required pursuant to 45.6(15).

**45.6(24) Documents and records required at temporary job sites.** Each licensee or registrant conducting operations at a temporary job site shall have the following documents and records available at that site for inspection by the agency:

- a.* Operating and emergency procedures;
- b.* Survey records required pursuant to 45.6(22) for the period of operation at the site;
- c.* Evidence of current calibration for the radiation survey instruments in use at the site;
- d.* When operating in the state under reciprocity, a copy of the appropriate license, certificate of registration, or equivalent document(s); and
- e.* Shipping papers for the transportation of radioactive material.

**45.6(25) Notification of incidents, abandonment, and lost sources.**

*a.* Notification of incidents and sources lost in other than downhole logging operations shall be made in accordance with appropriate provisions of 641—Chapter 40.

*b.* Whenever a sealed source or device containing radioactive material is lodged downhole, the licensee shall:

(1) Monitor at the surface for the presence of radioactive contamination with a radiation survey instrument or logging tool during logging tool recovery operations; and

(2) Notify the agency immediately by telephone and subsequently, within 30 days, by confirmatory letter if the licensee knows or has reason to believe that a sealed source has been ruptured. This letter shall identify the well or other location, describe the magnitude and extent of the escape of radioactive material, assess the consequences of the rupture, and explain efforts planned or being taken to mitigate these consequences.

*c.* When it becomes apparent that efforts to recover the radioactive source will not be successful, the licensee shall:

(1) Advise the well operator of the regulations of the appropriate state agency regarding abandonment and an appropriate method of abandonment, which shall include:

1. The immobilization and sealing in place of the radioactive source with a cement plug;
2. The setting of a whipstock or other deflection device; and
3. The mounting of a permanent identification plaque at the surface of the well, containing the appropriate information required by 45.6(25)“d.”

(2) Notify the agency by telephone, giving the circumstances of the loss, and request approval of the proposed abandonment procedures, or specify the implemented abandonment before receiving approval because the licensee believed there was an immediate threat to public health and safety; and

(3) File a written report with the agency within 30 days of the abandonment. The licensee shall send a copy of the report to the appropriate state agency that issued permits or otherwise approved of the drilling operation. The report shall contain the following information:

1. Date of occurrence;
  2. A description of the well-logging source involved, including the radionuclide and its quantity, chemical, and physical form;
  3. Surface location and identification of the well;
  4. Results of efforts to immobilize and seal the source in place;
  5. A brief description of the attempted recovery effort;
  6. Depth of the source;
  7. Depth of the top of the cement plug;
  8. Depth of the well;
  9. The immediate threat to public health and safety justification for implementing abandonment if prior approval was not obtained in accordance with 45.6(25) "c"(2);
  10. Any other information, such as a warning statement, contained on the permanent identification plaque; and
  11. The names of state agencies receiving a copy of this report.
- d.* Whenever a sealed source containing radioactive material is abandoned downhole, the licensee shall provide a permanent plaque<sup>2</sup> for posting the well or well-bore. This plaque shall:
- (1) Be constructed of long-lasting material, such as stainless steel or Monel; and
  - (2) Contain the following information engraved on its face:
    1. The word "CAUTION";
    2. The radiation symbol without the conventional color requirement;
    3. The date of abandonment;
    4. The name of the well operator or well owner;
    5. The well name and well identification number(s) or other designation;
    6. The sealed source(s) by radionuclide and activity;
    7. The source depth and the depth to the top of the plug; and
    8. An appropriate warning, depending on the specific circumstances of each abandonment.<sup>3</sup>
- e.* The licensee shall immediately notify the agency by telephone and subsequently by confirming letter if the licensee knows or has reason to believe that radioactive material has been lost in or to an underground potable aquifer. Such notice shall designate the well location and shall describe the magnitude and extent of loss of radioactive material, assess the consequences of such loss, and explain efforts planned or being taken to mitigate these consequences.

**45.6(26)** Reserved.

**45.6(27)** *Radioactive markers.* The licensee may use radioactive markers in wells only if the individual markers contain quantities of licensed material not exceeding the quantities specified in 641—Chapter 39, Appendix B, Exempt Quantities. The use of markers is subject only to the requirements of 45.6(10).

**45.6(28)** *Uranium sinker bars.* The licensee may use uranium sinker bars in well-logging applications only if they are legibly impressed with the words "CAUTION—RADIOACTIVE-DEPLETED URANIUM" and "NOTIFY CIVIL AUTHORITIES [or Company name] IF FOUND."

**45.6(29)** *Use of a sealed source in a well without a surface casing.* The licensee may use a sealed source in a well without a surface casing for protecting fresh water aquifers only if the licensee follows a procedure for reducing the probability of the source's becoming lodged in the well. The procedure must be approved by the NRC or licensing or agreement state.

**45.6(30)** *Energy compensation source.* The licensee may use an energy compensation source (ECS) which is contained within a logging tool, or other tool components, only if the ECS contains quantities of licensed material not exceeding 100 microcuries (3.7 MBq).

*a.* For well-logging applications with a surface casing for protecting fresh water aquifers, use of the ECS is only subject to the requirements of 45.6(9) to 45.6(11).

*b.* For well-logging applications without a surface casing for protecting fresh water aquifers, use of the ECS is only subject to the requirements of 45.6(4), 45.6(9) to 45.6(11), 45.6(25), and 45.6(29).

**45.6(31)** *Tritium neutron generator target source.*

*a.* Use of a tritium neutron generator target source that contains quantities not exceeding 30 curies (1110 MBq) and that is in a well with a surface casing to protect fresh water aquifers is subject to the requirements of this rule except subrules 45.6(4), 45.6(12), and 45.6(25).

*b.* Use of a tritium neutron generator target source that contains quantities exceeding 30 curies (1110 MBq) or that is in a well without a surface casing to protect fresh water aquifers is subject to the requirements of this rule except subrule 45.6(12).

<sup>2</sup>An example of a suggested plaque is shown in Appendix F of this chapter.

<sup>3</sup>Appropriate warnings may include: (a) "Do not drill below plug-back depth"; (b) "Do not enlarge casing"; or (c) "Do not re-enter the hole", followed by the words, "before contacting the Iowa Department of Public Health."

## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX A

SUBJECTS FOR INSTRUCTION OF  
RADIOGRAPHER'S ASSISTANTS

Training provided to qualify individuals as radiographer's assistants in compliance with 45.1(10) shall be presented on a formal basis. The training shall include the following subjects:

- I. Fundamentals of radiation safety
  - A. Characteristics of radiation
  - B. Units of radiation dose and quantity of radioactivity
  - C. Significance of radiation dose
    1. Radiation protection standards
    2. Biological effects of radiation
    3. Case histories of radiography accidents
  - D. Levels of radiation from sources of radiation
  - E. Methods of controlling radiation dose
    1. Working time
    2. Working distances
    3. Shielding
- II. Radiation detection instrumentation to be used
  - A. Use of radiation survey instruments
    1. Operation
    2. Calibration
    3. Limitations
  - B. Survey techniques
  - C. Use of personnel monitoring equipment
    1. Film badges
    2. Thermoluminescent dosimeters (TLDs)
    3. Pocket dosimeters
    4. OSL devices
- III. The requirements of pertinent federal and state regulations
- IV. The licensee's or registrant's written operating and emergency procedures
- V. Radiographic equipment to be used
  - A. Remote handling equipment
  - B. Operation and control of radiographic exposure devices and sealed sources, including pictures or models of source assemblies (pigtailed)
  - C. Storage and transport containers, source changers
  - D. Operation and control of X-ray equipment
  - E. Collimators

## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX B

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INSPECTION OF  
INDUSTRIAL RADIOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT

- I. Panoramic devices (devices in which the sealed source is physically removed from the shielded container during exposure) shall be inspected for:
  - A. Radiographic exposure unit
    1. Abnormal surface radiation levels anywhere on camera, collimator, or guide tube;
    2. Condition of safety plugs;
    3. Proper operation of locking mechanism;
    4. Condition of pigtail connector;
    5. Condition of carrying device (straps, handle, etc.);
    6. Proper labeling.
  - B. Source tube
    1. Rust, dirt, or sludge buildup inside the source tube;
    2. Condition of source tube connector;
    3. Condition of source stop;
    4. Kinks or damage that could prevent proper operation;
    5. Presence of radioactive contamination.
  - C. Control cables and drive mechanism
    1. Proper drive mechanism with camera, as appropriate;
    2. Changes in general operating characteristics;
    3. Condition of connector on drive cable;
    4. Drive cable flexibility, wear, and rust;
    5. Excessive wear or damage to crank assembly parts;
    6. Damage to drive cable conduit that could prevent the cable from moving easily;
    7. Connection of the control cable connector with the pigtail connector for proper mating;
    8. Proper operation of source position indicator, if applicable;
    9. Presence of radioactive contamination.
- II. Directional beam devices shall be inspected for:
  - A. Abnormal surface radiation;
  - B. Changes in the general operating characteristics of the unit;
  - C. Proper operation of shutter mechanism;
  - D. Chafing or binding of shutter mechanism;
  - E. Damage to the device that might impair its operation;
  - F. Proper operation of locking mechanism;
  - G. Proper drive mechanism with camera, as appropriate;
  - H. Condition of carrying device (strap, handle, etc.);
  - I. Proper labeling.
- III. X-ray equipment shall be inspected for:
  - A. Change in the general operating characteristics of the unit;
  - B. Wear of electrical cables and connectors;
  - C. Proper labeling of console;
  - D. Proper console with machine, as appropriate;
  - E. Proper operation of locking mechanism;
  - F. Timer run-down cutoff;
  - G. Damage to tube head housing that might result in excessive radiation levels.

## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX C

## TIME REQUIREMENTS FOR RECORD KEEPING

Specific Section	Name of Record	Time Interval Required for Record Keeping
45.1(4)	Receipt, transfer and disposal.	3 years.
45.1(5)	Survey instrument calibrations.	3 years.
45.1(6)	Quarterly inventory.	3 years.
45.1(7)	Utilization logs.	3 years.
45.1(8)	Quarterly inspection and maintenance.	3 years.
45.1(9)	High radiation area control devices or alarm systems.	Until disposal is authorized by the agency.
45.1(10)	Training and testing records.	3 years.
45.1(12)	Pocket dosimeter readings.	3 years.
	Pocket dosimeter calibrations.	3 years.
	Film badge, OSL device, or TLD reports.	Until the agency terminates the license.
	Alarming ratemeter calibrations.	3 years.
	Alarming ratemeter functions.	3 years.
	Estimates of overexposures.	Until the agency terminates the license.
45.1(19)	Current operating and emergency procedures.	Until the license is terminated.
	Superseded material.	3 years after change.
40.81(1)	Internal audit program.	3 years.
45.1(11)	Radiographer audits.	3 years.
45.2(5) and 45.3(7)	Radiation surveys.	2 years or until disposal is authorized by the agency if a survey was used to determine an individual's exposure.
45.1(16)	Records at temporary job sites.	During temporary job site operations.
45.2(6) and 45.3(8)	Annual evaluation of enclosed X-ray systems.	2 years.
45.3(5)	Leak tests.	3 years.
45.2(6)	Evaluation of certified cabinet X-ray systems.	2 years.

## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX D

## OPERATING AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The licensee's or registrant's operating and emergency procedures shall include instructions in at least the following:

- A. Handling and use of sources of radiation for industrial radiography such that no individual is likely to be exposed to radiation doses that exceed the limits established in 641—Chapter 40;
- B. Methods and occasions for conducting radiation surveys, including lock-out survey requirements;
- C. Methods for controlling access to industrial radiography areas;
- D. Methods and occasions for locking and securing sources or radiation;
- E. Personnel monitoring and the use of personnel monitoring equipment, including steps to be taken immediately by industrial radiographic personnel in the event a pocket dosimeter is found to be off-scale;
- F. Methods of transporting equipment to field locations, including packing of sources of radiation in the vehicles, placarding of vehicles, and controlling of sources of radiation during transportation (including applicable U.S. Department of Transportation requirements);
- G. Methods or procedures for minimizing exposure of individuals in the event of an accident, including procedures for a disconnect accident, a transportation accident, and loss of a sealed source;
- H. Procedures for notifying proper personnel in the event of an accident;
- I. Specific posting requirements;
- J. Maintenance of records (Appendix C); and
- K. Inspection and maintenance of radiographic exposure devices, source changers, storage containers, transport containers, source guide tubes, crank-out devices, and radiation machines.

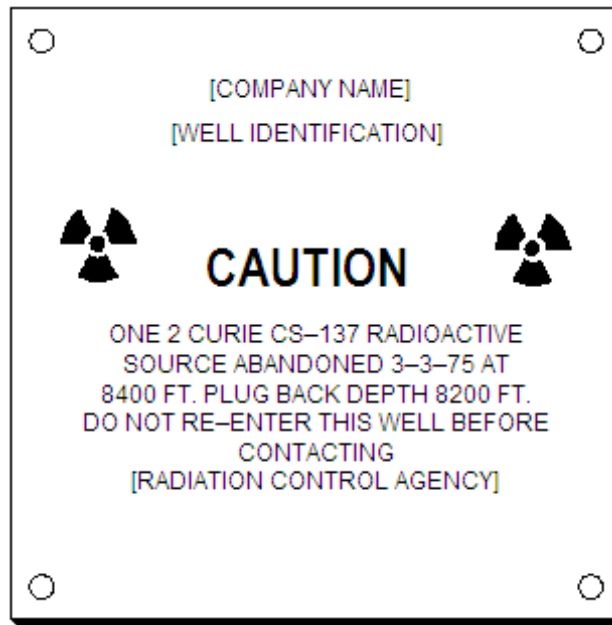


## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX E

## SUBJECTS TO BE INCLUDED IN TRAINING COURSES FOR LOGGING SUPERVISORS

- I. Fundamentals of radiation safety.
  - A. Characteristics of radiation.
  - B. Units of radiation dose and quantity of radioactivity.
  - C. Significance of radiation dose.
    - 1. Radiation protection standards.
    - 2. Biological effects of radiation dose.
  - D. Levels of radiation from sources of radiation.
  - E. Methods of minimizing radiation dose.
    - 1. Working time.
    - 2. Working distances.
    - 3. Shielding.
  - F. Radiation safety practices including prevention of contamination and methods of decontamination.
- II. Radiation detection instrumentation to be used.
  - A. Use of radiation survey instruments.
    - 1. Operation.
    - 2. Calibration.
    - 3. Limitations.
  - B. Survey techniques.
  - C. Use of personnel monitoring equipment.
- III. Equipment to be used.
  - A. Handling equipment.
  - B. Sources of radiation.
  - C. Storage and control of equipment.
  - D. Operation and control of equipment.
- IV. The requirements of pertinent federal and state regulations.
  - V. The licensee's or registrant's written operating and emergency procedures.
- VI. The licensee's or registrant's record-keeping procedures.

## CHAPTER 45—APPENDIX F

EXAMPLE OF PLAQUE FOR IDENTIFYING WELLS CONTAINING SEALED SOURCES  
CONTAINING RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL ABANDONED DOWNHOLE

The size of the plaque should be convenient for use on active or inactive wells, e.g., a 7-inch square. Letter size of the word “CAUTION” should be approximately twice the letter size of the rest of the information, e.g., ½-inch and ¼-inch letter size, respectively.

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CHAPTER 46  
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR TANNING FACILITIES

**641—46.1(136D) Purpose and scope.** This chapter provides for the permitting and regulation of tanning facilities and devices used for the purpose of tanning human skin through the application of ultraviolet radiation. This includes, but is not limited to, public and private businesses, hotels, motels, apartments, condominiums, and health and country clubs.

All references to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in this chapter are those in effect as of April 30, 2007.

These rules stipulate minimum safety requirements relating to the operation of tanning devices; procedures for obtaining a permit; qualifications for tanning facility operators; and procedures for health departments to provide for the inspection of tanning facilities and enforcement of these rules. Tanning facilities which are in compliance with these rules are not relieved from the requirements of any other federal and state regulations or local ordinances.

**641—46.2(136D) Definitions.**

*“Board of health”* means a county, city, or district board of health that has a 28E agreement with the Iowa department of public health to perform inspections under this chapter.

*“Cleansing”* means to remove soil, dirt, oils or other residues from the surface of the tanning unit which may come into contact with the skin.

*“Cleansing agent”* means a substance capable of producing the effect of “cleansing.” These agents shall not adversely affect the equipment or the health of the consumer and shall be acceptable to the department or board of health.

*“Consumer”* means any member of the public who is provided access to a tanning facility in exchange for a fee or other compensation, or any individual who, in exchange for a fee or other compensation, is afforded use of a tanning facility as a condition or benefit of membership or access.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of public health or the director’s designee.

*“Exposure position”* means any position, distance, orientation, or location relative to the radiation surfaces of a tanning device at which the user is intended to be exposed to ultraviolet radiation from the product, as recommended by the manufacturer.

*“Formal training”* means a course of instruction approved by the department for operators of tanning facilities.

*“Health care professional”* means an individual, licensed by the state of Iowa, who has received formal medical training in the use of phototherapy.

*“Inspection”* means an official examination or observation including but not limited to tests, surveys, and monitoring to determine compliance with rules, orders, requirements, and conditions of these rules.

*“Manufacturer’s recommendations”* means written guidelines established by a manufacturer and approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the installation and operation of the manufacturer’s equipment.

*“Operator”* means an individual designated to control operation of the tanning facility and to instruct and assist the consumer in the proper operation of the tanning devices.

*“Permit”* or *“permit to operate”* means a document issued by the department which authorizes a person to operate a tanning facility in Iowa.

*“Person”* means any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, agency, political subdivision of this state, any other state or political subdivision or agency thereof, and any legal successor, representative, agent, or agency of the foregoing, but shall not include federal government agencies.

*“Phototherapy device”* means a piece of equipment that emits ultraviolet radiation and is used by a health care professional in the treatment of disease.

*“Tanning device”* means any equipment that emits electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths in air between 200 and 400 nanometers and that is used for tanning of human skin, such as sunlamps,

tanning booths, or tanning beds. The terms also include any accompanying equipment such as protective eyewear, timers, and handrails.

“*Tanning facility*” means a place that provides access to tanning devices for compensation.

“*Ultraviolet radiation*” means electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths in air between 200 and 400 nanometers.

**641—46.3(136D) Exemptions.** The department may, upon application or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of these rules as long as it will not result in undue hazard to public health and safety. The following categories of devices are exempt from the provisions of this chapter:

**46.3(1) Other purposes.** Devices intended for purposes other than the deliberate exposure of human skin to ultraviolet radiation which produce or emit ultraviolet radiation incidental to their proper operation.

**46.3(2) Personal use.** Tanning devices which are limited exclusively to personal use by an individual and this individual’s immediate family. Multiple ownership of the device by persons for personal use only does not qualify it for the “personal use only” exemption.

**46.3(3) Phototherapy devices.** Phototherapy devices used by a properly trained health care professional in the treatment of disease.

**641—46.4(136D) Permits and fees.**

**46.4(1) Permit to operate.** No tanning facility shall be operated in the state without having a permit to operate issued by the department.

**46.4(2) Application requirements for permit.** Each person acquiring or establishing a tanning facility shall:

*a.* Apply for a permit prior to beginning operation. The application shall be completed on forms provided by the department or board of health and shall contain all information required by the form and accompanying instructions. A nonrefundable application fee of \$5 shall be remitted with the application.

*b.* A \$15 returned check fee will be charged for each check returned for insufficient funds.

*c.* The permit holder shall notify the department in writing within 30 days of any changes, additions, or deletions to the initial or renewal application as appropriate. This request does not apply to changes involving replacement of components in tanning equipment.

**46.4(3) Expiration of permit.** Except as provided in 46.4(4) “*b*,” each permit shall expire at the end of the specified day in the month and year stated therein.

**46.4(4) Renewal of permit.**

*a.* Permits shall be renewed annually upon acceptance of a renewal application provided by the department and upon receipt of the renewal fee of \$5.

*b.* If application has been filed prior to the expiration date of the existing permit, the existing permit shall not expire until the application status has been finally determined by the department.

*c.* A \$25 fee will be charged per month for failure to pay annual permit fees starting the month of expiration of the facility’s permit to operate. This fee is added to the annual fee not paid.

**46.4(5) Transfer or termination of permit.**

*a.* No permit shall be transferable from one person to another or from one tanning facility to another.

*b.* A permit shall be returned to the department or board of health if the facility ceases business or otherwise ceases on a permanent basis or changes ownership.

**46.4(6) Denial, revocation, or termination of permit.**

*a.* The department may deny, suspend or revoke a permit applied for or issued pursuant to this chapter for any of the following reasons:

(1) Submission of false statements in the application for a permit or in any statement of fact required by provisions of this chapter;

(2) Because of conditions revealed by the application or any report, record, inspection or other means which would warrant the department to refuse to grant a permit on an original application;

- (3) Operation of the tanning facility in a manner that causes or threatens to cause hazard to the public health or safety;
- (4) Failure to allow authorized representatives of the department or board of health to enter the tanning facility at reasonable times for the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of this chapter, conditions of the permit or an order of the department or board of health;
- (5) Failure to pay fees or costs required in rule 46.4(136D);
- (6) Violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or of Iowa Code chapter 136D.
- b.* Except in cases where public health and safety require otherwise, prior to the institution of proceedings for suspension or revocation of a permit, the department or board of health shall:
- (1) Call to the attention of the permit holder, in writing, the facts or conduct which may warrant such actions, and
- (2) Provide opportunity for the permit holder to demonstrate or achieve compliance with all lawful requirements.
- c.* Any person aggrieved by a decision by the department to deny a permit or to suspend or revoke a permit after issuance may request a hearing under procedures established by the department.
- d.* Once a permit to operate has been suspended or revoked, it may be reinstated upon receipt of a fee of \$50 and completion of all other agency requirements. This fee is in addition to other applicable fees.

**46.4(7) Inspections.**

- a.* Inspections shall be conducted annually.
- b.* Inspection cost.
- (1) An inspection cost of \$33 per tanning device shall be billed to the permit holder up to a maximum of \$330 per facility.
- (2) Inspection costs shall be due upon receipt of payment due. When the tanning facility is located within a contracted area of a board of health, the costs billed will be paid to the contracted board of health or its designee.
- (3) Inspection costs not received within 45 days of the date of billing will be assessed a \$25 penalty for each month or fraction thereof that the bill is delinquent.
- (4) A penalty fee of \$25 per facility may be assessed for the following:
1. Failure to respond to a notice of violation within 30 days of the date of the inspection.
  2. Failure to correct violations cited during the inspection.
- c.* Inspections shall include the following areas: proper operation and maintenance of devices, review of required records and training documentation, operator understanding and competency, and the requirements of these rules.

**641—46.5(136D) Construction and operation of tanning facilities.** Unless otherwise ordered or approved by the department, each tanning facility shall be constructed, operated, and maintained to meet the following minimum requirements:

**46.5(1)** A tanning facility shall provide and post the following warning signs and statements that describe the hazards associated with the use of tanning devices:

*a.* A warning sign in a conspicuous location readily visible to persons entering the establishment. This warning sign shall use 0.5-inch (12.7-millimeter) letters for “DANGER, ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION” and 0.25-inch (6.4-millimeter) letters for all other lettering. The sign shall use red lettering against a white background, be at least 9.0 inches by 12.0 inches (22.9 centimeters × 30.5 centimeters) and have the following wording:

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DANGER  
 ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION  
 — Overexposure can cause

- Eye and skin injury
- Allergic reaction

- Repeated exposure may cause
  - Premature aging of the skin
  - Skin cancer
- Failure to wear protective eyewear may result in
  - Severe burns to eyes
  - Long-term injury to eyes
- Medication or cosmetics may increase your sensitivity

*b.* A warning sign with the identical wording set forth in 46.5(1)“*a*” posted within one meter of the tanning device in a conspicuous location readily visible to a person preparing to use the device. This warning sign shall use 0.5-inch (12.7-millimeter) letters for “DANGER, ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION” and 0.25-inch (6.4-millimeter) letters for all other lettering. The sign shall use red lettering against a white background and be at least 6 inches by 9 inches (15.2 centimeters × 22.9 centimeters) in size.

*c.* A tanning facility shall require each consumer to read the information in Appendices 1, 2, and 3 prior to the consumer’s initial exposure and annually thereafter.

(1) The operator shall then require the consumer to sign a statement that the information has been read and understood.

(2) The information in Appendices 1, 2, and 3 shall be posted in each tanning room.

**46.5(2) Federal certification.**

*a.* Only tanning devices manufactured and certified under the provisions of 21 CFR Part 1040.20, “Sunlamp products and ultraviolet lamps intended for use in sunlamp products,” shall be used in tanning facilities. Compliance shall be based on the standard in effect at the time of manufacture as shown on the device identification label required by 21 CFR Parts 1010.2 and 1010.3.

*b.* Labeling shall meet the following requirements, be visible on each unit and be permanently affixed. Labeling shall include:

(1) A warning statement with the words “DANGER-Ultraviolet radiation. Follow instructions. Avoid overexposure. As with natural sunlight, overexposure can cause eye and skin injury and allergic reactions. Repeated exposure may cause premature aging of the skin and skin cancer. WEAR PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR; FAILURE TO MAY RESULT IN SEVERE BURNS OR LONG-TERM INJURY TO THE EYES. Medications or cosmetics may increase your sensitivity to the ultraviolet radiation. Consult a physician before using a sunlamp if you are using medications or have a history of skin problems or believe yourself especially sensitive to sunlight. If you do not tan in the sun, you are unlikely to tan from the use of this product.”

(2) Recommended exposure position(s). Any exposure position may be expressed either in terms of a distance specified both in meters and in feet (or in inches) or through the use of markings or other means to indicate clearly the recommended exposure position.

(3) Directions for achieving the recommended exposure position(s) and a warning that the use of other positions may result in overexposure.

(4) A recommended exposure schedule including duration and spacing of sequential exposures and maximum exposure time(s) in minutes.

(5) A statement of the time it may take before the expected results appear.

(6) Designation of the ultraviolet lamp type to be used in the product.

**46.5(3) Tanning device timers.**

*a.* Each tanning device shall have a timer which complies with the requirements of 21 CFR Part 1040.20. The maximum timer interval shall not exceed the manufacturer’s maximum recommended exposure time by a factor greater than ± 10 percent of the indicated setting.

*b.* Each tanning device must have a method of remote timing located so that consumers may not control their own exposure time.

*c.* Tokens for token timers shall not be issued to any consumer in quantities greater than the device manufacturer’s maximum recommended exposure time for the consumer.

**46.5(4)** Each tanning device shall incorporate a control on the product to enable the consumer to manually terminate the radiation emission from the product at any time without disconnecting the electrical source or removing the ultraviolet lamp.

**46.5(5)** The operator shall ensure that the facility's interior temperature does not exceed 100 degrees F or 38 degrees C.

**46.5(6)** Condition of tanning devices.

*a.* There shall be physical barriers to protect consumers from injury induced by falling against or breaking the lamps.

*b.* The tanning devices shall be maintained in good repair and comply with all state and local electrical code requirements.

**46.5(7)** Additional requirements for stand-up booths.

*a.* There shall be physical barriers (e.g., handrails) or other means (floor markings) to indicate the proper exposure distance between ultraviolet lamps and the consumer's skin.

*b.* The construction of the booth shall be such that it will withstand the stress of use and the impact of a falling person.

*c.* Access to the booth shall be of rigid construction; doors shall open outwardly. Handrails and nonslip floors shall be provided.

**46.5(8)** Protective eyewear.

*a.* Eyewear shall not be reused by another consumer.

*b.* Protective eyewear shall meet the requirements of 21 CFR Part 1040.20(c)(4).

*c.* Protective eyewear shall not be altered in any manner that would change its use as intended by the manufacturer (e.g., removal of straps).

*d.* A tanning facility operator shall not allow a consumer to use a tanning device if that consumer does not use the protective eyewear required by this subrule. To verify that a consumer has the proper eyewear, the operator must:

(1) Ask to see the eyewear before the consumer enters the tanning room; or

(2) Provide disposable eyewear in the tanning room at all times and post a sign stating that the disposable eyewear is available and that eyewear must be worn.

*e.* A tanning facility operator shall instruct the consumer in the proper utilization of the protective eyewear required by this subrule.

**46.5(9)** Operation.

*a.* A trained operator must be present when a tanning device is operated. The operator must be within hearing distance to allow the consumer to easily summon help if necessary. If the operator is not in the immediate vicinity during use, the following conditions must be met:

(1) The consumer can summon help through use of an audible device such as an intercom or buzzer; and

(2) The operator or emergency personnel can reach the consumer within a reasonable amount of time after being summoned.

*b.* The facility permit to operate shall be displayed in an open public area of the tanning facility.

*c.* A record shall be kept by the facility operator of each consumer's total number of tanning visits and tanning times, exposure lengths in minutes, times and dates of the exposure, and any injuries or illness resulting from the use of a tanning device.

*d.* Any tanning injury not requiring a physician's care and any resulting changes in tanning sessions shall be noted in the consumer's file. A written report of any tanning injury requiring a physician's care shall be forwarded by the permit holder to the department within five working days of its occurrence or knowledge thereof. The report shall include:

(1) The name of the affected individual;

(2) The name and location of the tanning facility involved;

(3) The nature of the injury;

(4) The name and address of the health care provider treating the affected individual, if any; and

(5) Any other information considered relevant to the situation.

*e.* Defective or burned-out lamps or filters shall be replaced with a type intended for use in that device as specified on the product label on the tanning device or with lamps or filters that are “equivalent” under 21 CFR Part 1040, Section 1040.20, and policies applicable at the time of lamp manufacture.

*f.* The permit holder shall replace ultraviolet lamps and bulbs, which are not otherwise defective or damaged, at such frequency or after such duration of use as may be recommended by the manufacturer of such lamps or bulbs.

*g.* Contact surfaces of tanning devices shall be:

- (1) Cleansed by the operator with a cleansing agent between each use;
- (2) Covered by a nonreusable protective material during each use; or
- (3) Cleansed by the consumer provided the following conditions are met:

1. The operator instructs the consumer annually on how to properly cleanse the unit;
2. The consumer annually signs a statement stating that the consumer agrees to cleanse the unit after each use;

3. Signs are posted in each tanning room reminding the consumer to cleanse the tanning unit after each use and stating the proper way to cleanse the unit; and

4. The operator cleanses the tanning unit at least once a day.

*h.* Any records or documentation required by this chapter must be maintained in the tanning facility for a minimum of two years. Records maintained on computer systems shall be regularly copied, at least monthly, and updated on storage media other than the hard drive of the computer. An electronic record must be retrievable as a printed copy.

*i.* The operator shall limit the exposure of the consumer to the maximum exposure frequency and session duration recommended by the manufacturer.

*j.* When a tanning device is being used, no other person shall be allowed to remain in the tanning device area.

*k.* No person or facility shall advertise or promote tanning packages labeled as “unlimited” unless tanning frequency limits set by the manufacturer are included in advertisements.

**46.5(10) Training of operators.**

*a.* No individual shall begin functioning as an operator unless the individual has satisfactorily completed a training program. Training shall include but not be limited to:

- (1) The requirements of this chapter;
- (2) Procedures for correct operation of the tanning facility and tanning devices;
- (3) The determination of skin type of consumers and appropriate determination of duration of exposure to tanning devices;
- (4) Recognition of reaction or overexposure;
- (5) Manufacturer’s procedures for operation and maintenance of tanning devices;

*b.* Owners and managers must complete formal training approved by the department. All owners and managers trained after December 31, 1997, must satisfactorily pass a certification examination approved by the department before operating a tanning facility or training employees.

*c.* For operators trained after December 31, 1997. Owners and managers are responsible to train operators in the above topics and to provide review as necessary. Training programs shall be approved by the department and include final testing. Operators shall be questioned during inspections as to the level of their understanding and competency in operating the tanning device.

*d.* Proof of training for both owner/managers and employees must be maintained in the tanning facility and available for inspection. For operators trained after December 31, 1997, the employee record shall be the original test which bears the signature of the employee, the date, and a statement signifying that all answers have been completed by the employee and without prior knowledge of the scoring key.

*e.* Operators shall be at least 16 years of age.

*f.* Operators shall complete the required training and testing every five years.

**46.5(11) Promotional materials.** A tanning facility shall not claim, or distribute promotional materials that claim, that using a tanning device is safe or free from risk or that the use of the device will result in medical or health benefits. The only claim that may be made is that the device is for cosmetic use only.



**46.5(12)** Requirements for electronically controlled facilities. Electronically controlled facilities are those facilities that rely on electronic means to monitor consumers.

*a.* Entry into the facility is allowed by card only. Two individuals may not enter under the same card. The card is specifically activated for tanning use if the facility offers other activities.

*b.* Police and all emergency services will have access to the facility through a key box located outside the entrance of the facility.

*c.* The tanning unit will not activate if the card is not programmed for tanning. The card will not activate if two individuals are in the tanning room.

*d.* The consumer must sign a tanning agreement that states the number of minutes per session, that the consumer agrees to wear protective eyewear, that the consumer will cleanse the unit after tanning, and that the consumer is aware of the emergency access in each room.

*e.* The card will be programmed for the number of minutes the consumer is allowed to tan. The card may be reprogrammed for an increase in minutes per session only after the consumer has reviewed and re-signed the Tanning Agreement. After 30 consecutive days without the consumer's accessing the tanning facility, the card will be deactivated and the consumer must reapply to access the tanning unit.

*f.* The operator will demonstrate to each consumer how to properly cleanse the unit after tanning, including the top, bottom, and handles. A sign will be placed in each room explaining the cleansing process. The operator will cleanse the units at least once a day when they are in use.

*g.* Free disposable eyewear will be placed in each room along with a sign stating that the disposable eyewear is available and that eyewear must be worn.

*h.* An emergency call button or device will be placed in each tanning room conveniently located within reach of the tanning bed. This device will call the operator or emergency personnel.

*i.* During annual inspections, the inspector may ask any consumer about any of the above processes.

#### **641—46.6(136D) Inspections, violations and injunctions.**

**46.6(1)** The director or an authorized agent shall have access at all reasonable times to any tanning facility to inspect the facility to determine if this chapter is being violated.

**46.6(2)** A person who operates or uses a tanning device or tanning facility in violation of this chapter or of any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

**46.6(3)** If the agency finds that a person has violated, or is violating or threatening to violate, this chapter and that the violation creates an immediate threat to the health and safety of the public, the agency may petition the district court for a temporary restraining order to restrain the violation or threat of violation.

If a person has violated, or is violating or threatening to violate, this chapter, the agency may petition the district court for an injunction to prohibit the person from continuing the violation or threat of violation.

**46.6(4)** On application for injunctive relief and a finding that a person is violating or threatening to violate this chapter, the district court shall grant any injunctive relief warranted by the facts.

#### **46.6(5) Enforcement.**

*a.* The department shall take the following steps or use county ordinances or any other applicable ordinances, resolutions, rules or regulations when enforcement of these rules is necessary.

(1) Cite each section of the Iowa Code or rules violated.

(2) Specify the manner in which the owner or operator failed to comply.

(3) Specify the steps required for correcting the violation.

(4) Request a corrective action plan, including a time schedule for completion of the plan.

(5) Set a reasonable time limit, not to exceed 30 days from the receipt of the notice, within which the permit holder must respond.

*b.* The department shall review the corrective action plan and approve it or require that it be modified.

*c.* In cases where the permit holder fails to comply with conditions of the written notice, the agency shall send a regulatory letter, via certified mail, advising the permit holder that unless action is

taken within five days of receipt, the case shall be turned over to the appropriate state/city/county attorney for court action.

Appendix 1  
POTENTIAL PHOTSENSITIZING AGENTS

1. Not all individuals who use or take these agents will experience a photosensitive reaction or the same degree of photosensitive reaction. An individual who experiences a reaction on one occasion will not necessarily experience it again or every time.

2. Names of agents should be considered only as examples. They do not represent all the names under which a product may be sold. A more complete list is available from the facility operator.

3. If you are using an agent in any of these classes, you should reduce UV exposure even if your particular medication is not listed.

Acne treatment (Retinoic acid, Retin-A) Psoralens (5-Methoxypsoralen, 8-Methoxypsoralen, 4,5,8-trimethyl-psoralen)

Antibacterials (deodorant bar soaps, antiseptics, cosmetics, halogenated carbanilides, halogenated phenols, halogenated salicylanilides, bithionol, chlorhexidine, hexachlorophene)

Antibiotics, anti-infectives (Tetracyclines)

Anticonvulsants (carbamazepine, trimethadione, promethazine)

Antidepressants (amitriptyline, Desipramine, Imipramine, Nortriptyline, Protriptyline), Tranquilizers, anti-emetics (Phenothiazines)

Antidiabetics (glucose-lowering agents) (sulfonylureas, oral antidiabetics, hypoglycemics)

Antihistamines (diphenhydramine, promethazine, triprolidine, chlorpheniramine)

Anti-inflammatory (Piroxicam), Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (Ibuprofen, Naproxen, Piroxicam)

Antimicrobials (griseofulvin), Sulfonamides ("Sulfa drugs," antimicrobials, anti-infectives)

Atropine-like drugs (anticholinergics, antiparkinsonism drugs, antispasmodics, synthetic muscle relaxants)

Coal tar and derivatives (Denorex, Tegrin, petroleum products used for psoriasis and chronic eczema and in shampoos)

Contraceptives, oral and estrogens (birth control pills, estrogens, progesterones)

Dyes (used in cosmetic ingredients, acridine, anthracene, cosin (lipstick), erythrosine, fluorescein, methyl violet, methylene blue, rose bengal)

Perfumes and toilet articles (musk ambrette, oil of bergamot, oil of cedar, oil of citron, oil of lavender, oil of lemon, oil of lime, oil of rosemary, oil of sandalwood)

Thiazide diuretics ("water pills")

## Appendix 2

## SUN-REACTIVE SKIN TYPES USED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE

SKIN TYPE	SKIN REACTIONS TO SOLAR RADIATION (a) EXAMPLES	EXAMPLES
I	Always burns easily and severely (painful burn). Tans little or none and peels.	People most often with fair skin, blue eyes, freckles. Unexposed skin is white.
II	Usually burns easily and severely (painful burn). Tans minimally or lightly, also peels.	People most often with fair skin; red or blonde hair; blue, hazel or even brown eyes. Unexposed skin is white.
III	Burns moderately and tans about average.	Normal average Caucasoid. Unexposed skin is white.
IV	Burns minimally, tans easily, and above average with each exposure. Exhibits IPD (immediate pigment darkening) reaction.	People with white or light brown skin, dark skin, dark brown hair, dark eyes. Unexposed skin is brown.
V	Rarely burns, tans easily and substantially. Always exhibits IPD reaction.	Unexposed skin is brown.
VI	Never burns and tans profusely; exhibits IPD reaction.	Unexposed skin is black.

(a) Based in the first 45-60 minutes (= 2-3 minimum erythema dose) exposure of the summer sun (early June) at sea level

(b) Rescinded IAB 3/29/06, effective 5/3/06.

Appendix 3  
 POTENTIAL NEGATIVE HEALTH EFFECTS  
 RELATED TO ULTRAVIOLET EXPOSURE

1. Increased risk of skin cancer later in life.
2. Increased risk of skin thickening, age spots, irregular pigmentation, and premature aging.
3. Possibility of burning or rash, especially if using any of the potential photosensitizing drugs and agents. The consumer should consult a physician before using a tanning device if using medications, if there is a history of skin problems or if the consumer is especially sensitive to sunlight.
4. Increased risk of eye damage unless proper eyewear is worn. Iowa law requires the use of proper eyewear during tanning sessions.

TANNING SYSTEMS

1. Low-pressure tanning systems use a higher percentage of UVB rays which penetrate only the upper layer of skin and can cause burning more easily than high-pressure tanning systems. Low-pressure systems require more frequent sessions to maintain a tan. High-intensity tanning systems use more lamps and shorter tanning sessions than low-intensity tanning systems. These are still classified as low-pressure systems.
2. High-pressure tanning systems use a higher percentage of UVA rays which penetrate more deeply and can permanently damage the lower layers of skin and increase the incidences of skin cancers. High-pressure systems require fewer and less frequent sessions to maintain a tan.
3. The exposure schedule for each specific unit is shown on the labeling on the tanning unit. Iowa law requires the operator to limit the exposure of each consumer to the exposure schedule shown on the unit in which the consumer is tanning.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 136D.

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CHAPTER 55  
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HEAD INJURIES  
[Prior to 9/30/92, see Persons With Disabilities Division[431] Ch 3]

**641—55.1(135) Council established.** The advisory council on head injuries, part of the Iowa department of public health, is established pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.22A consisting of a minimum of nine members in addition to the ex officio members. The council shall appoint the chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary of the council. The officers shall serve until their successors are appointed.

**641—55.2(135) Meetings.** The advisory council on head injuries shall meet at least quarterly. The first regular meeting of the fiscal year is the annual meeting. Upcoming meeting dates are set at regular council meetings. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

All meetings will be held in facilities accessible and functional for people with physical disabilities. A good faith effort will be made to have all written meeting materials available in Braille or on audiotape if requested by people with visual impairments and to provide sign language interpreters for people who are deaf if requests are received within a reasonable time prior to the meeting. Notice of a meeting is published at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and will contain the specific date, time, and place of the meeting. All meetings shall be held in facilities that are accessible to people with physical disabilities. Agendas are available to any interested persons a minimum of five days prior to or at the meeting. If requested, agendas are available in Braille or on audiocassette. All meetings are open to the public unless a closed session is allowed, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5, and is voted by two-thirds of the entire membership or by all present. The operation of council meetings will be governed by the following rules of procedure:

**55.2(1)** Any council member who is unable to attend a meeting will notify the council office; there may not be a meeting if a majority is not present.

**55.2(2)** When a quorum is present, a position is carried by affirmative vote of a majority of the entire membership of the council.

**55.2(3)** Persons wishing to make a presentation to the council shall submit the request to the council office not less than 14 days prior to the meeting. Presentations may be made at the discretion of the chair or only upon matters appearing on the agenda.

**55.2(4)** Persons wishing to submit written materials should do so at least 14 days in advance of the scheduled meeting to ensure that council members have adequate time to receive and evaluate the material.

**55.2(5)** Special meetings may be called by the chair only upon finding good cause and shall be held in strict accordance with Iowa Code chapter 21. Special meetings may also be called by a majority of the members. A special meeting does not include the task forces; it is an emergency meeting of the council for business that cannot wait until the next regular council meeting.

**55.2(6)** Cameras and recording devices may be used at open meetings, provided they do not obstruct the meeting. The presiding officer may request a person using such a device to discontinue its use if it is obstructing the meeting. If a person fails to comply with the request, the presiding officer shall order that person excluded from the meeting.

**55.2(7)** The presiding officer may exclude any person from the meeting for repeated behavior that disrupts or obstructs the meeting.

**55.2(8)** Instances not covered by these rules shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order (newly revised).

**55.2(9)** The council may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8. Any vote by mail shall have the tabulated results presented at the next regular meeting of the council and the ballots retained for a period of six months for confirmation of results.

**641—55.3(135) Task forces.** The chair of the council may establish task forces as needed. Task forces may be composed of voting, ex officio, and nonmembers. The task force meetings must be announced at the regular council meetings.

**641—55.4(135) Minutes.** The council office shall keep minutes of all its meetings showing the date, time, place, members present and the action taken at each meeting. The minutes shall show the results of each vote taken, and the vote of each member present shall be made public at the open session. Approved minutes shall be available at the council office for inspection during regular office hours.

**641—55.5(135) Duties of the council.** Duties of the council are listed in Iowa Code section 216A.80.

**641—55.6(135) Conflict of interest.** A conflict of interest exists when members of the council participate in a way that directly affects the personal or financial interests of the council members. In order to avoid conflict of interest problems, council members who have a personal or financial interest in an action must abstain from participating in the entire process which would include both discussion and voting. The council members who have or think they may have a conflict of interest should declare that there is or may be a conflict of interest and request a determination from the council. Where a conflict of interest is determined to exist, council members should abstain from voting and should be recorded as abstaining when votes are taken.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.22A.

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CHAPTER 56  
BRAIN INJURY SERVICES PROGRAM

**641—56.1(135) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

*“Assessment”* means the review of the consumer’s current functioning with regard to the consumer’s situation, needs, strengths, abilities, desires and goals.

*“Brain injury services waiver”* means the state’s medical assistance home- and community-based services waiver for persons with brain injury.

*“Consumer”* means an individual who has applied for and been found eligible to participate in the waiver-eligible component or the cost-share component of the brain injury services program.

*“Cost share”* means the portion an individual is responsible to pay for services received by the individual.

*“Countable income,”* when determining initial and ongoing eligibility for the brain injury services program, means all earned and unearned income, unless specifically exempted in 441—subrule 86.2(2).

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Family size,”* for purposes of establishing initial and ongoing eligibility under the brain injury services program, means all persons living together who are children and who are parents of those children as defined in 441—subrule 86.2(3).

*“Program administrator”* means the division of behavioral health and professional licensure within the department of public health.

**641—56.2(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the brain injury services program is to provide services, service funding, or other support for persons with a brain injury under one of the program components established pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.22B. The overall purpose of this chapter is to establish administrative rules in accordance with Iowa Code section 135.22B relative to the financial eligibility requirements for services under the waiver-eligible and cost-share components of the brain injury services program.

**641—56.3(135) Waiver-eligible component.** Persons eligible for the brain injury services waiver and on the waiting list for the waiver are eligible for the waiver-eligible component. The brain injury services program may provide funding for the nonfederal share of the cost of services if the appropriation for the medical assistance program does not have sufficient funding designated to do so.

**56.3(1)** Provision of funding under this component is not an entitlement and is subject to funding availability.

**56.3(2)** A person who receives support under the waiver-eligible component of the brain injury services program is not eligible to receive support under the cost-share component of the program.

**641—56.4(135) Cost-share component.** Persons determined ineligible for the brain injury services waiver, due to fiscal or functional criteria, or persons who are eligible for the waiver but for whom funding was not authorized or available to provide waiver eligibility are eligible for the cost-share component of the brain injury services program.

**56.4(1)** An individual must meet all of the following requirements:

- a. The individual is aged one month through 64 years.
- b. The individual has a diagnosed brain injury as defined in Iowa Code section 135.22.
- c. The individual is a resident of Iowa and either a United States citizen or a qualified alien as defined in 8 U.S.C. Section 1641.
- d. The individual must meet the cost-share component’s financial eligibility requirements and be willing to pay a cost share for the cost-share component.

**56.4(2)** Cost-share financial eligibility. Countable income shall be used when determining initial and ongoing eligibility for the program. All of the following criteria must be met.

- a. Individuals who are at 300 percent or below the federal poverty level for a family of the same size will not be assessed a cost share.

*b.* Individuals whose countable income is between 301 percent and 350 percent of the federal poverty level for a family of the same size will be assessed a 10 percent cost share for services that will be payable to the service provider.

*c.* Individuals whose countable income is between 351 percent and 400 percent of the federal poverty level for a family of the same size will be assessed a 20 percent cost share for services that will be payable to the service provider.

*d.* Individuals whose countable income is above 400 percent of the federal poverty level for a family of the same size will be assessed a 30 percent cost share for services that will be payable to the service provider.

**56.4(3)** The cost-share component must be the source of last resort for payment; the program shall not pay for services when the provision of those services is mandated by law or administrative rule to be the responsibility of another governmental unit, private agency or program. Brain injury cost-share services are not available to an individual who receives services or funding under any type of medical assistance home- and community-based services waiver.

#### **641—56.5(135) Application process.**

**56.5(1)** The applicant must authorize the department of human services to provide the applicant's brain injury services waiver application materials to the brain injury services program.

**56.5(2)** The department of human services will provide the department the application materials, which shall include but are not limited to the waiver application and any denial letter, financial assessment, and functional assessment regarding the person in an agreed-upon format.

**56.5(3)** The department will determine eligibility within 45 days of receipt of complete application materials.

*a.* After determining if the applicant's service needs fit within the scope of the brain injury services program, the department shall inform the discharge planner or case manager on behalf of the applicant or the applicant's legal representative of the applicant's eligibility.

*b.* The case manager shall establish an interdisciplinary team for each consumer and, with the team, identify the consumer's plan based on the consumer's needs and desires as well as the availability and appropriateness of services. The case manager shall notify the department of the service plan.

*c.* The date of eligibility for applicants deemed eligible for the cost-share component will be the date when both the service eligibility and financial eligibility assessments have been completed.

*d.* Notification of eligibility shall be mailed or given to the applicant or the applicant's legal representative within seven days of the date eligibility determination is completed.

**56.5(4)** After determining an applicant's eligibility, if no payment slot is available, the brain injury services program shall enter the applicant on a waiting list according to the following:

*a.* The date a completed Form 470-2927 or 470-2927(S), Health Services Application, is date-stamped in the county department of human services office. If more than one application is received on the same date, applicants shall be entered on the waiting list on the basis of the applicant's month of birth, with January designated as month one.

*b.* As slots become available, applicants shall be selected from the waiting list based on their order on the waiting list to maintain the number of persons approved for participation in the program.

**56.5(5)** The consumer or the consumer's legal representative shall complete and sign Iowa department of human services Form 470-3349, Brain Injury Functional Assessment, indicating the consumer's choice of caregiver.

**56.5(6)** The case manager for the consumer will initiate development of the consumer's service plan and commencement of services. All service plans must be approved by the program administrator.

**56.5(7)** The department will not pay the cost of services provided to a consumer prior to approval of eligibility.

**56.5(8)** The program administrator shall make the final determination as to whether program funding will be authorized under the cost-share component.

**641—56.6(135) Service providers and reimbursement.**

**56.6(1)** A service provider must either be certified to provide services under the brain injury services waiver or have a contract with a county to provide services and apply to become certified to provide services under the brain injury services waiver within 90 days of the date that services commence.

**56.6(2)** The reimbursement rate payable for the cost of a service provided under the cost-share component is the rate payable under the medical assistance program. However, if the service provider does not have a medical assistance program reimbursement rate, the rate shall be the amount payable under the county contract.

**56.6(3)** All service providers must contract with the department and will be paid retroactively to the date of service eligibility.

**56.6(4)** Service providers will be responsible for billing and collection of any cost share from an individual as determined by the program administrator within the department.

**641—56.7(135) Available services/service plan.**

**56.7(1)** Services available shall be consistent with the services offered through the Medicaid home- and community-based services waiver.

**56.7(2)** Service plans must reflect use of all services, including non-cost-shared services, to ensure that no duplication of services occurs.

**56.7(3)** All service plans must be submitted, either electronically or in hard-copy format, to the program administrator for approval prior to implementation.

**56.7(4)** Any change to the service plan must be approved by the program administrator.

**641—56.8(135) Redetermination.**

**56.8(1)** A complete financial redetermination of continuing eligibility for the brain injury services program shall be completed annually by the department, after consultation with the case manager and the interdisciplinary team.

**56.8(2)** A redetermination of continuing eligibility shall also be made when a change in financial or functional circumstances occurs that affects eligibility.

**641—56.9(135) Appeal rights.** Appeal rights for any individual denied funding under either the waiver-eligible or the cost-share component of the program are as defined in 641—176.8(135,17A) with the following exception: An appeal must be submitted within 45 days of receipt of notification of an adverse decision.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.22B.

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CHAPTER 68  
CONTROL OF LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS

**641—68.1(135) Applicability.** The provisions of this chapter are applicable in jurisdictions in which a local board has adopted this chapter for the purpose of requiring control of lead-based paint hazards where a child has been identified with an elevated blood lead level. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as requiring a local board to adopt this chapter as a model regulation.

**641—68.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor”* means a person who has met the requirements of Iowa Administrative Code 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

*“Chewable surface”* means an interior or exterior surface painted with lead-based paint that a young child can mouth or chew.

*“Child-occupied facility”* means a building, or portion of a building, constructed prior to 1978, visited by the same child under the age of six years on at least two different days within any week (Sunday through Saturday period, provided that each day’s visit lasts at least three hours and the combined weekly visits last at least six hours). Child-occupied facilities may include, but are not limited to, day care centers, preschools and kindergarten classrooms.

*“Clearance testing”* means an activity conducted following interim controls, lead abatement, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation to determine that the hazard reduction activities are complete. Clearance testing includes a visual assessment, the collection and analysis of environmental samples, the interpretation of sampling results, and the preparation of a report.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Deteriorated paint”* means any interior or exterior paint or other coating that is cracking, flaking, chipping, peeling, or chalking, or any paint or coating located on an interior or exterior surface that is otherwise damaged or separated from the substrate of a building component.

*“Dripline”* means the area within three feet surrounding the perimeter of a building.

*“Dust-lead hazard”* means surface dust in residential dwellings or child-occupied facilities that contains a mass-per-area concentration of lead greater than or equal to 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility when the weighted arithmetic mean lead loading for all single-surface or composite samples of floors and interior windowsills is greater than or equal to 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled residential dwelling in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled residential unit on the property. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled common area in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled common area in the same common area group on the property. If dust samples are not taken, it may be assumed that surfaces in rooms with hazardous lead-based paint or where renovation, remodeling, or repainting has occurred recently are dust-lead hazards.

*“Elevated blood lead (EBL) child”* means any child who has had one venous blood lead level greater than or equal to 20 micrograms per deciliter or at least two venous blood lead levels of 15 to 19 micrograms per deciliter.

*“Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection”* means an inspection to determine the sources of lead exposure for an elevated blood lead (EBL) child and the provision within ten working days of a written report explaining the results of the investigation to the property owner and occupant of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility being inspected and to the parents of the elevated blood lead (EBL)

child. A certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not determine that a residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint as a result of an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection.

*“Friction surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to abrasion or friction including, but not limited to, certain window, floor, and stair surfaces.

*“Hazardous lead-based paint”* means lead-based paint that is present on a friction surface where there is evidence of abrasion or where the dust-lead level on the nearest horizontal surface underneath the friction surface (e.g., the windowsill or floor) is equal to or greater than the dust-lead hazard level, lead-based paint that is present on an impact surface that is damaged or otherwise deteriorated from impact, lead-based paint that is present on a chewable surface, or any other deteriorated lead-based paint in any residential building or child-occupied facility or on the exterior of a residential building or child-occupied facility.

*“Impact surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to damage by repeated sudden force such as certain parts of doorframes.

*“Lead-based paint”* means any paint or other surface coatings that contain lead equal to or in excess of 1.0 milligram of lead per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by weight. Lead-based paint is present on any surface that is tested and found to contain lead equal to or in excess of 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by weight and on any surface like a surface tested in the same room equivalent that has a similar painting history and that is found to be lead-based paint.

*“Lead-based paint hazard”* means hazardous lead-based paint, a dust-lead hazard, or a soil-lead hazard.

*“Local board”* means the local board of health as authorized by Iowa Code chapter 137.

*“Mid-yard”* means an area of a residential yard approximately midway between the dripline of a residential building and the nearest property boundary or between the driplines of a residential building and another building on the same property.

*“Occupant”* means any person living, sleeping, cooking or eating in, or having any actual possession of, a dwelling or dwelling unit.

*“Owner”* means any person who, alone or jointly with others: (1) has legal title to any dwelling, with or without accompanying actual possession thereof, or (2) has charge, care or control of any dwelling by acting as the agent of the owner or as the executor, administrator, trustee, or guardian of the estate of the owner.

*“Paint-lead hazard”* means the presence of hazardous lead-based paint in a residential dwelling or a child-occupied facility.

*“Play area”* means an area of frequent soil contact by children of less than six years of age as indicated by, but not limited to, factors including the following: the presence of play equipment (sandboxes, swing sets, and sliding boards), toys, or other children’s possessions; observations of play patterns; or information provided by parents, residents, caregivers, or property owners.

*“Residential building”* means a building containing one or more residential dwellings.

*“Residential dwelling”* means (1) a detached single-family dwelling unit, including the surrounding yard, attached structures such as porches and stoops, and detached buildings and structures including, but not limited to, garages, farm buildings, and fences; or (2) a single-family dwelling unit in a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

*“Retaliation”* means harassment, termination of the tenancy, discontinuation of utilities or other services, and any other action taken against the lessee.

*“Soil-lead hazard”* means bare soil on residential real property or on the property of a child-occupied facility that contains total lead greater than or equal to 400 parts per million for the dripline, mid-yard, and play areas. A soil-lead hazard is present in a dripline, mid-yard, or play area when the soil-lead concentration from a composite sample of bare soil is greater than or equal to 400 parts per million. If soil samples are not taken, it may be assumed that bare soil within three feet of the foundation of a garage or other structure built prior to 1978 is a soil-lead hazard.

**641—68.3(135) Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections required.** The local board shall appoint a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor to conduct elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections in residential dwellings and child-occupied facilities where an elevated blood lead (EBL) child lives, visits, or has recently lived. All owners and occupants shall allow access to the residential dwellings and child-occupied facilities that the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor desires to inspect.

**641—68.4(135) Refusal of admittance.** If the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor appointed by the local board is refused entry to a property, then the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may make a complaint under oath to any magistrate of the county. The magistrate may issue a warrant directing the owner or occupant to allow the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor to conduct an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection and directing a peace officer to accompany the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor during the elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection/risk assessment.

**641—68.5(135) Lead hazard reduction required.**

**68.5(1)** When the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor appointed by the local board determines that hazardous lead-based paint, a dust-lead hazard, or a soil-lead hazard is present in a residential dwelling unit or child-occupied facility where an elevated blood lead (EBL) child lives, frequently visits, or has recently resided, the certified elevated blood lead inspector/risk assessor shall issue a written notice to the owner within two weeks of the inspection and receipt of any laboratory results. The written notice shall require the owner to complete lead hazard reduction in a time period determined by the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. If the occupant who occupies the residential dwelling at the time that this written notice is issued vacates the residential dwelling, the residential dwelling shall not be leased or occupied by any other person until the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor issues a written notice that the lead hazard reduction has been completed.

**68.5(2)** The owner of any residential dwelling or child-occupied facility which has been determined to contain hazardous lead-based paint, a soil-lead hazard, or a dust-lead hazard shall correct these hazards within the time period allowed by the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor in the written notice. The following methods shall be used for lead hazard reduction. These methods shall not require the services of a lead abatement contractor certified in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code 641—70.5(135). However, other local, state, or federal regulations may require the use of a contractor who has completed an eight-hour lead-safe work practices course or a lead abatement contractor or lead abatement worker certified in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code 641—70.5(135).

*a.* On a surface that contains hazardous lead-based paint, but is not chewable and does not have evidence of impact or friction, the lead-based paint hazard shall be reduced by removing all loose and deteriorated paint from the surface, preparing the surface for repainting, and repainting the surface with a lead-free coating.

*b.* On a surface that contains hazardous lead-based paint and is chewable or has evidence of impact or friction, the lead-based paint hazard shall be reduced by treating the surface one inch back from the edge or corner through one of the following methods:

(1) All lead-based paint on the treatment area shall be removed to the bare substrate. The surface shall be prepared for repainting and repainted with a lead-free coating.

(2) The treatment area shall be covered with a permanently affixed lead-free material such as plastic, wood, or vinyl. Carpet may be used on floors and stair treads.

*c.* Dust-lead hazards shall be reduced by thoroughly cleaning the affected surface.

*d.* Soil-lead hazards shall be reduced by planting grass or groundcover, applying sod, or covering the affected area with six inches of bark, gravel, or other material.

*e.* Lead hazard reduction shall be conducted using lead-safe work practices to protect the safety of the occupants and workers. Occupants shall not enter the work area while work is underway. The following are prohibited methods of lead hazard reduction:

- (1) Open-flame burning or torching of lead-based paint.
- (2) Machine sanding or grinding or abrasive blasting or sandblasting of lead-based paint unless used with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) exhaust control that removes particles of 0.3 microns or larger from the air at 99.97 percent or greater efficiency.
- (3) Uncontained water blasting of lead-based paint.
- (4) Dry scraping or dry sanding of lead-based paint except in conjunction with the use of a heat gun or around electrical outlets.
- (5) Operating a heat gun at a temperature above 1100 degrees Fahrenheit.

**68.5(3)** The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall inspect all areas identified as hazards after lead hazard reduction is complete. The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may conduct clearance testing pursuant to Iowa Administrative Code 641—Chapter 70 to ensure that no dust-lead hazards exist after the work is complete. Within two weeks of verifying that all lead hazard reduction has been completed as required, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall issue a written notice to the owner and occupant stating that the lead hazard reduction has been completed and that the repaired surfaces must be maintained in good condition.

**641—68.6(135) Retaliation prohibited.**

**68.6(1)** The lessor of a dwelling, the employees of the lessor, and agents or persons acting on behalf of the lessor shall not retaliate against lessees of residential dwellings and child-occupied facilities whose occupants or visitors have been tested for lead poisoning and shall not discourage the occupants or visitors from being tested for lead poisoning.

**68.6(2)** An action taken against the lessee shall not be considered retaliation if it is supported by reasonable cause unrelated to the testing of an occupant for lead poisoning or if it is shown to have occurred as a result of an accident or mistake and not to be the intentional act of the lessor of a dwelling, the employees of the lessor, or agents or persons acting on behalf of the lessor.

**641—68.7(135) Enforcement.** The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor appointed by the local board shall have the duty and responsibility of enforcing this chapter.

**68.7(1)** Penalties shall be as provided in Iowa Code section 137.21.

**68.7(2)** Upon failure of any person to correct a hazard identified through this chapter in the time specified by the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor appointed by the local board, the local board may direct or cause the correction of said hazards. All expenses incurred thereby may be recovered by suit in the name of the local board, or the local board may certify the amount of said expenses, together with a description of the property, to the county treasurer, who shall enter the same upon the tax books as costs for removing a lead hazard, and said amounts shall be collected as other taxes.

**641—68.8(135) Hearings.** In the event any person is aggrieved by any order of the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, the person may appeal to the local board in writing within ten days of the date of such order. The appeal shall state the reasons for requesting such order to be rescinded or modified. The local board shall review the action of the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. The local board shall order compliance with said order or may, with cause, modify or withdraw said order. Any order of the local board may be appealed within ten days to the district court for the county in which the local board is located.

**641—68.9(135) Variances.** The elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may determine that a chewable surface that would otherwise be identified as a hazard by this chapter is not causing or does not have reasonable potential to cause lead exposure and is not required to be corrected through lead hazard reduction. The elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall document the reason for this determination in the inspection report. However, the elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor

shall not, under any circumstances, determine that any other surface meeting the definition of hazardous lead-based paint does not need to be corrected through lead hazard reduction.

**641—68.10(135) Injunction.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a local board from pursuing injunctive relief or other relief as allowed by law.

**641—68.11(135) Effective date.** This chapter shall be in effect in a jurisdiction after a local board adopts it.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.102.

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CHAPTER 69  
RENOVATION, REMODELING, AND REPAINTING—  
LEAD HAZARD NOTIFICATION PROCESS

**641—69.1(135) Applicability.** This chapter applies to all persons who perform renovation, remodeling, and repainting for compensation in target housing.

**641—69.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Arithmetic mean”* means the algebraic sum of data values divided by the number of data values. For example, the sum of the concentration of lead in several soil samples divided by the number of samples is the arithmetic mean.

*“Certificate of mailing”* means certified mail with return receipt or its equivalent.

*“Chewable surface”* means an interior or exterior surface painted with lead-based paint that a young child can mouth or chew.

*“Common area”* means a portion of the building that is generally accessible to all occupants. This includes, but is not limited to, hallways, stairways, laundry and recreational rooms, playgrounds, community centers, garages, and boundary fences.

*“Components”* means specific design or structural elements or fixtures of a building, residential dwelling, or child-occupied facility that are distinguished from each other by form, function, and location. These include, but are not limited to, interior components such as ceilings, crown moldings, walls, chair rails, doors, door trim, floors, fireplaces, radiators and other heating units, shelves, shelf supports, stair treads, stair risers, stair stringers, newel posts, railing caps, balustrades, windows and trim (including sashes, window heads, jambs, sills or stools and troughs), built-in cabinets, columns, beams, bathroom vanities, countertops, and air conditioners; and exterior components such as painted roofing, chimneys, flashing, gutters and downspouts, ceilings, soffits, fascias, rake boards, cornerboards, bulkheads, doors and door trim, fences, floors, joists, latticework, railings and railing caps, siding, handrails, stair risers and treads, stair stringers, columns, balustrades, windowsills or stools and troughs, casing, sashes and wells, and air conditioners.

*“Department”* means the department of public health.

*“Dripline”* means the area within three feet surrounding the perimeter of a building.

*“Dust-lead hazard”* means surface dust in residential dwellings or child-occupied facilities that contains a mass-per-area concentration of lead equal to or exceeding 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility when the weighted arithmetic mean lead loading for all single-surface or composite samples of floors and interior windowsills is equal to or greater than 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled residential dwelling in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled residential unit on the property. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled common area in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled common area in the same common area group on the property.

*“Dwelling unit”* means a single, unified combination of rooms designed for use as a dwelling by one family.

*“Emergency renovation, remodeling, and repainting”* means renovation, remodeling, and repainting activities necessitated by nonroutine failures of equipment that were not planned but resulted from a sudden, unexpected event that, if not immediately attended to, presents a safety or public health hazard or threatens equipment or property with significant damage.

*“Friction surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to abrasion or friction including, but not limited to, certain window, floor, and stair surfaces.

*“Hazardous lead-based paint”* means lead-based paint that is present on a friction surface where there is evidence of abrasion or where the dust-lead level on the nearest horizontal surface underneath the friction surface (e.g., the windowsill or floor) is equal to or greater than the dust-lead hazard level, lead-based paint that is present on an impact surface that is damaged or otherwise deteriorated from impact, lead-based paint that is present on a chewable surface, or any other deteriorated lead-based paint in any residential building or child-occupied facility or on the exterior of any residential building or child-occupied facility.

*“Impact surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to damage by repeated sudden force such as certain parts of door frames.

*“Lead-based paint”* means paint or other surface coatings that contain lead equal to or in excess of 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by weight.

*“Lead-based paint hazard”* means hazardous lead-based paint, a dust-lead hazard, or a soil-lead hazard.

*“Living area”* means any area of a residential dwelling used by at least one child six years of age or less including, but not limited to, living rooms, kitchen areas, dens, playrooms, and children’s bedrooms.

*“Mid-yard”* means an area of a residential yard approximately midway between the dripline of a residential building and the nearest property boundary or between the driplines of a residential building and another building on the same property.

*“Multifamily dwelling”* means a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or is intended to be used or occupied, in whole or in part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

*“Play area”* means an area of frequent soil contact by children of less than six years of age as indicated by, but not limited to, factors including the following: the presence of play equipment (sandboxes, swing sets, and sliding boards), toys, or other children’s possessions, observations of play patterns, or information provided by parents, residents, caregivers, or property owners.

*“Regulated entity”* means any individual or company that is regulated by the department by virtue of these rules, the Iowa Code, or other official regulatory promulgation.

*“Renovation, remodeling, repainting”* means modifying any existing structure or portion of a structure where painted surfaces are disturbed, unless the activity fits the criteria of lead abatement as defined in 641—70.2(135) and is performed by a certified lead abatement contractor as defined in 641—70.2(135). This includes, but is not limited to, removing walls, ceilings, and other painted building components; window replacement; floor refinishing; and sanding, scraping, stripping, water blasting, or otherwise removing paint.

*“Residential dwelling”* means (1) a detached single-family dwelling unit, including the surrounding yard, attached structures such as porches and stoops, and detached buildings and structures including, but not limited to, garages, farm buildings, and fences, or (2) a single-family dwelling unit in a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

*“Soil-lead hazard”* means bare soil on residential real property or on the property of a child-occupied facility that contains total lead in excess of 400 parts per million for the dripline, mid-yard, and play areas. A soil-lead hazard is present in a dripline, mid-yard, or play area when the soil-lead concentration from a composite sample of bare soil is equal to or greater than 400 parts per million.

*“Target housing”* means housing constructed prior to 1978 with the exception of housing for the elderly or for persons with disabilities, unless at least one child under the age of six years resides or is expected to reside in the housing, and housing which does not contain a bedroom.

**641—69.3(135) Notification required.** Beginning on June 1, 1999, individuals who perform renovation, remodeling, and repainting of target housing for compensation, except for emergency renovation, remodeling, and repainting of target housing, and except for minor repair and maintenance activities that disrupt less than 0.1 square feet or less of painted surface, must do the following no more than 60 days prior to commencing the work:



**69.3(1)** Provide the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, to the owner and adult occupant of each dwelling unit where renovation, remodeling, and repainting will be performed.

**69.3(2)** Obtain a signed, dated acknowledgment from the owner and known adult occupant of each dwelling unit where renovation, remodeling, and repainting will be performed affirming that they have received the pamphlet prior to the start of renovation, remodeling, or repainting and are aware of the potential health hazards from remodeling, renovating, or repainting housing containing lead-based paint.

*a.* The acknowledgment shall include the owner's and occupant's names and the address of the residential dwelling undergoing renovation, remodeling, or repainting.

*b.* The acknowledgment shall include the following language:

I have received the pamphlet entitled Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, prior to the start of renovation, remodeling, or repainting and am aware of the potential health risk associated with remodeling, renovating, or repainting housing containing lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards.

*c.* Below the statement, the acknowledgment shall require the signature of the owner and occupant, along with their dates of signature.

*d.* If a signature cannot be obtained from an adult occupant, the individual must certify in writing that the pamphlet has been delivered to the dwelling and that a written acknowledgment could not be obtained from an adult occupant. Such certification must include the address of the unit to be remodeled, renovated, or repainted, the date and method of delivery of the pamphlet, the name of the person delivering the pamphlet, the reason for lack of acknowledgment (e.g., occupant refuses to sign, no adult occupant available), the signature of the person conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting, and the date of signature.

*e.* The type shall be clear and legible.

*f.* The acknowledgment may be included as a separate sheet or as a part of any written contract or service agreement. The acknowledgment must be completed prior to commencing the work.

*g.* If the parties use a written contract or agreement which is written in a language other than English, the acknowledgment text shall be written in the same language as the text of the contract or agreement.

**69.3(3)** In lieu of delivering the pamphlet and written acknowledgment, the person conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting may obtain a certificate of mailing the pamphlet and written acknowledgment at least seven days prior to beginning the work.

**69.3(4)** If the general nature, location, and expected starting and ending dates of the planned renovation, remodeling, and repainting change after the initial notification has been conducted, the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting shall provide further notification to the owners and occupants providing revised information on the ongoing or planned activities. This subsequent notification must be provided before the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, or repainting initiates work beyond that which was described in the original notice.

**641—69.4(135) Notification required in multifamily housing.** Beginning on June 1, 1999, individuals who perform renovation, remodeling, and repainting of common areas for compensation, except for emergency renovation, remodeling, and repainting of target housing, and except for minor repair and maintenance activities that disrupt less than 0.1 square feet or less of painted surface, must do the following no more than 60 days prior to commencing the work:

**69.4(1)** Provide the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, to the owner of the multifamily target housing where renovation, remodeling, and repainting will be performed.

**69.4(2)** Obtain a signed, dated acknowledgment from the owner of the multifamily target housing where renovation, remodeling, and repainting will be performed affirming that the owner has received the pamphlet prior to the start of renovation, remodeling, or repainting and is aware of the potential health hazards from remodeling, renovating, or repainting housing containing lead-based paint.

*a.* The acknowledgment shall include the owner's name and the address of the multifamily dwelling undergoing renovation, remodeling, or repainting.

*b.* The acknowledgment shall include the following language:

I have received the pamphlet entitled Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, prior to the start of renovation, remodeling, or repainting and am aware of the potential health risk associated with remodeling, renovating, or repainting housing containing lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards.

*c.* Below the statement, the acknowledgment shall require the signature of the owner, along with the date of signature.

*d.* The type shall be clear and legible.

*e.* The acknowledgment may be included as a separate sheet or as a part of any written contract or service agreement. The acknowledgment must be completed prior to commencing the work.

*f.* If the parties use a written contract or agreement which is written in a language other than English, the acknowledgment text shall be written in the same language as the text of the contract or agreement.

*g.* Notify each occupant of the multifamily housing, in writing, of the intended remodeling, repainting, or renovation, and make the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, available upon request. At a minimum, this notification shall be accomplished by distributing written notice to each occupant of the target housing. The notice shall describe:

(1) The general nature and location of the planned renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.

(2) The expected starting and ending dates of the planned renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.

(3) A statement of how the owners and occupants can obtain the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, at no charge from the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.

*h.* These activities shall be conducted by the individual planning to perform the renovation, remodeling, and repainting, or by the owner on behalf of this individual.

*i.* The individual planning to perform the renovation, remodeling, and repainting must prepare, sign, and date a statement describing the steps performed to notify all occupants of the intended renovation, remodeling, and repainting, and to provide the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, at no charge upon request. Regardless of who performs the notification activities required in this subrule, the individual planning to conduct the renovation, remodeling, and repainting shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with this subrule and shall be liable for any failures to comply with the notification requirements in this subrule.

**69.4(3)** In lieu of delivering the pamphlet and written acknowledgment to the owner, the person conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting may obtain a certificate of mailing the pamphlet and written acknowledgment at least seven days prior to beginning the work.

**69.4(4)** If the general nature, location, and expected starting and ending dates of the planned renovation, remodeling, and repainting change after the initial notification has been conducted, the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting shall provide further notification to the owners and occupants providing revised information on the ongoing or planned activities. This subsequent notification must be provided before the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, or repainting initiates work beyond that which was described in the original notice.

**641—69.5(135) Emergency renovation, remodeling, and repainting.** Beginning on June 1, 1999, individuals who perform emergency renovation, remodeling, and repainting of target housing for compensation, except for minor repair and maintenance activities that disrupt less than 0.1 square feet or less of painted surface, must do the following:

**69.5(1)** Provide the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, to the owner of the target housing where renovation, remodeling, and repainting are performed.

**69.5(2)** Notify each owner and occupant of the target housing, in writing, of the remodeling, repainting, or renovation, and make the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, available upon request. At a minimum, this notification shall be accomplished by distributing written notice to each owner and occupant of the target housing. The notice shall describe:

- a. The general nature and location of the renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.
- b. The starting and ending dates of the renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.
- c. A statement of how the owners and occupants can obtain the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, at no charge from the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting activity.

**69.5(3)** These activities shall be conducted by the individual performing the renovation, remodeling, and repainting, or by the owner on behalf of this individual. The individual planning to perform the renovation, remodeling, and repainting must prepare, sign, and date a statement describing the steps performed to notify all occupants of the intended renovation, remodeling, and repainting, and to provide the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, at no charge upon request. Regardless of who performs the notification activities required in this subrule, the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with this rule and shall be liable for any failures to comply with the notification requirements in this rule.

**641—69.6(135) Certification of attempted delivery.** When an adult occupant is unavailable for signature or refuses to sign the acknowledgment of receipt of the pamphlet, the individual conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting is permitted by subrule 69.3(2) to certify delivery for each instance. The certification shall include the address of the unit undergoing renovation, remodeling, or repainting, the date and method of delivery of the pamphlet, names of the persons delivering the pamphlet, reason for lack of acknowledgment (e.g., occupant refuses to sign, no adult occupant available), the signature of the individual conducting the renovation, remodeling, and repainting, and the date of signature.

**69.6(1) Unavailable for signature.**

a. If an adult occupant is unavailable for signature, the certification shall contain the following language:

I certify that I have made a good-faith effort to deliver the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, to the unit listed below at the dates and times indicated, and that an adult occupant was unavailable to sign the acknowledgment. I further certify that I have left a copy of the pamphlet at the unit with the occupant.

b. Below the statement, the certification shall require the printed name and signature of the individual conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting, the address of the unit, the attempted delivery dates and times, and the date of signature.

**69.6(2) Refused to sign.**

a. If the occupant refuses to sign the acknowledgment, the certification shall contain the following language:

I certify that I have made a good-faith effort to deliver the pamphlet, Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families, or the federal pamphlet, Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home, to the unit listed below at the dates and times indicated, and that the occupant refused to sign the acknowledgment. I further certify that I have left a copy of the pamphlet at the unit.

b. Below the statement, the certification shall require the printed name and signature of the individual conducting the renovating, remodeling, or repainting, the address of the unit, the attempted

delivery dates and times, the location where the pamphlet was left at the unit (e.g., taped to the door, slipped under the door), and the date of signature.

**641—69.7(135) Exemption.** Renovation, remodeling, and repainting in target housing in which a lead inspector or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector certified pursuant to 641—Chapter 70 has made a written determination that the components affected by the renovation are free of lead-based paint and where the person conducting the renovation, remodeling, or repainting has obtained a copy of the written determination are exempt from the provisions of 641—Chapter 69.

**641—69.8(135) Record-keeping requirements.** Beginning on June 1, 1999, individuals who conduct renovation, remodeling, and repainting for compensation in target housing shall retain all records necessary to demonstrate compliance with this chapter for a minimum of three years following completion of the renovation, remodeling, and repainting. The records shall include:

**69.8(1)** The address or location of the target housing where remodeling, renovation, or repainting was conducted.

**69.8(2)** A list of all known occupants of the dwelling units where renovation, remodeling, or repainting was conducted at the commencement of the work.

**69.8(3)** Copies of signed, dated acknowledgments as required by subrule 69.3(2) from each owner and occupant of a dwelling unit where renovation, remodeling, or repainting was conducted.

**69.8(4)** Copies of signed, dated acknowledgments as required by subrule 69.4(2) from each owner of multifamily target housing where renovation, remodeling, or repainting was conducted in common areas.

**69.8(5)** Copies of all signed, dated statements of notification, as well as copies of all notification materials to all owners and occupants and acknowledgments as required by subrule 69.4(2) from each owner and occupant of multifamily target housing where renovation, remodeling, or repainting was conducted in common areas.

**69.8(6)** Reports showing that a lead inspector or elevated blood level (EBL) inspector certified pursuant to 641—Chapter 70 has made a written determination that the components affected by the renovation are free of lead-based paint.

**69.8(7)** Certifications of attempted delivery as described in 641—69.6(135).

**69.8(8)** Certificates of mailing as described in subrules 69.3(3) and 69.4(3).

**641—69.9(135) Compliance inspections.**

**69.9(1)** The department may enter the place of business of an individual who conducts renovation, remodeling, and repainting for the purpose of enforcing the notification required by this chapter.

**69.9(2)** Rescinded IAB 3/31/04, effective 5/5/04.

**641—69.10(135) Enforcement.**

**69.10(1)** The department may impose a civil penalty pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.105C and this rule or may refer the case to the office of the county attorney for possible criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38 when it finds that a person has committed any of the following acts:

- a.* Failed or refused to comply with any requirements of this chapter.
- b.* Failed or refused to establish, maintain, provide, copy, or permit access to records or reports as required by this chapter.
- c.* Failed or refused to permit entry or inspection as described in subrule 69.9(1).
- d.* Falsified reports and records required by this chapter.
- e.* Failed to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.
- f.* Failed to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication sent by the department by registered or certified mail.
- g.* Engaged in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.

*h.* Failed to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failed to cooperate with a department investigation.

*i.* Failed to pay costs assessed in any disciplinary action.

**69.10(2)** Complaints and other requests for action under this rule. Complaints regarding a person who performs renovation, remodeling, or repainting for compensation in target housing shall be submitted in writing to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The complainant shall provide the name of the person who performs renovation, remodeling, or repainting for compensation in target housing and the specific details of the person's action(s) that did not comply with the rules.

**69.10(3)** Civil penalties.

*a.* Before instituting any proceeding to impose a civil penalty under Iowa Code section 135.105C, the department shall serve a written notice of violation upon the person charged. The notice of violation shall specify the date or dates, facts, and the nature of the alleged act or omission with which the person is charged and shall identify specifically the particular provision or provisions of the law, rule, regulation, certification, approval, or cease and desist order involved in the alleged violation and must state the amount of each proposed penalty. The notice of violation shall also advise the person charged that the civil penalty may be paid in the amount specified therein, or the proposed imposition of the civil penalty may be protested in its entirety or in part, by a written answer, either denying the violation or showing extenuating circumstances. The notice of violation shall advise the person charged that upon failure to pay a civil penalty subsequently determined by the department, if any, unless compromised, remitted, or mitigated, the fee shall be collected by civil action, pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.105C.

*b.* Within 20 days of the date of a notice of violation or other time specified in the notice, the person charged may either pay the penalty in the amount proposed or answer the notice of violation. The answer to the notice of violation shall state any facts, explanations, and arguments denying the charges of violation or demonstrating any extenuating circumstances, error in the notice of violation, or other reason why the penalty should not be imposed and may request remission or mitigation of the penalty.

*c.* If the person charged with a violation fails to answer within the time specified in paragraph 69.10(3) "b," an order may be issued imposing the civil penalty in the amount set forth in the notice of violation described in paragraph 69.10(3) "a."

*d.* If the person charged with a violation files an answer to the notice of violation, the department, upon consideration of the answer, will issue an order dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty. The person charged may, within 20 days of the date of the order or other time specified in the order, request a hearing.

*e.* If the person charged with a violation requests a hearing, the department will issue an order designating the time and place of hearing. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

*f.* If a hearing is held, an order will be issued after the hearing by the presiding officer or the department dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty.

*g.* The department may compromise any civil penalty. If the civil penalty is not compromised or is not remitted by the presiding officer or the department or if the time for requesting a hearing described in paragraph 69.10(3) "d" has expired, the department may refer the matter to the attorney general for collection.

*h.* Except when payment is made after compromise or mitigation by the department of justice or as ordered by a court of the state, following reference of the matter to the attorney general for collection, payment of civil penalties imposed under Iowa Code section 135.105C shall be made by check, draft, or money order payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health.

**69.10(4)** Appeals.

*a.* It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

*b.* Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*c.* The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**641—69.11(135) Waivers.** Rules in this chapter are not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.105C.

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CHAPTER 70  
LEAD-BASED PAINT ACTIVITIES

**641—70.1(135) Applicability.** Prior to March 1, 2000, this chapter applied to all persons who were certified lead professionals in Iowa. Beginning March 1, 2000, this chapter applies to all persons who are lead professionals in Iowa. Beginning July 1, 2004, this chapter also applies to agencies that provide lead-safe work practices training programs in Iowa and to those who are registered lead-safe work practices contractors in Iowa. This chapter requires lead professionals to be certified and establishes specific requirements for how to perform lead-based paint activities if a property owner, manager, or occupant chooses to undertake them. However, nothing in this chapter requires a property owner, manager, or occupant to undertake any particular lead-based paint activity. This chapter also provides for the approval of lead-safe work practices courses and the voluntary registration of lead-safe work practices contractors.

**641—70.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Adequate quality control”* means a plan or design which ensures the authenticity, integrity, and accuracy of samples, including dust, soil, and paint chip or paint film samples. Adequate quality control also includes provisions for representative sampling.

*“Approved course”* means a course that has been approved by the department for the training of lead professionals.

*“Approved lead-safe work practices training program”* means a lead-safe work practices training program that has been approved by the department.

*“Arithmetic mean”* means the algebraic sum of data values divided by the number of data values. For example, the sum of the concentration of lead in several soil samples divided by the number of samples is the arithmetic mean.

*“Certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency”* means an agency that has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and that has been certified by the department.

*“Certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

*“Certified firm”* means a firm that has met the requirements of 641—70.7(135) for certification and has been certified by the department.

*“Certified lead abatement contractor”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

*“Certified lead abatement worker”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and who has been certified by the department.

*“Certified lead inspector/risk assessor”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

*“Certified lead professional”* means a person who has been certified by the department as a lead inspector/risk assessor, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, lead abatement contractor, lead abatement worker, project designer, or sampling technician.

*“Certified project designer”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

*“Certified sampling technician”* means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and who has been certified by the department.

*“Chewable surface”* means an interior or exterior surface painted with lead-based paint that a young child can mouth or chew.

*“Child-occupied facility”* means a building, or portion of a building, constructed prior to 1978, visited by the same child under the age of six years on at least two different days within any week (Sunday through Saturday period, provided that each day’s visit lasts at least three hours and the combined weekly visits last at least six hours). Child-occupied facilities may include, but are not limited to, day-care centers, preschools and kindergarten classrooms.

“*Clearance level*” means the value at which the amount of lead in dust on a surface following completion of interim controls, lead abatement, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation is a dust-lead hazard and fails clearance testing. The clearance level for a single-surface dust sample from a floor is greater than or equal to 40 micrograms per square foot. The clearance level for a single-surface dust sample from an interior windowsill is greater than or equal to 250 micrograms per square foot. The clearance level for a single-surface dust sample from a window trough is greater than or equal to 400 micrograms per square foot.

“*Clearance testing*” means an activity conducted following interim controls, lead abatement, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation to determine that the hazard reduction activities are complete. Clearance testing includes a visual assessment, the collection and analysis of environmental samples, the interpretation of sampling results, and the preparation of a report.

“*Common area*” means a portion of the building that is generally accessible to all occupants. This includes, but is not limited to, hallways, stairways, laundry and recreational rooms, porches, exteriors, playgrounds, community centers, garages, and boundary fences.

“*Common area group*” means a group of common areas that are similar in design, construction, and function. Common area groups include, but are not limited to, hallways, stairwells, and laundry rooms.

“*Component*” or “*building component*” means specific design or structural elements or fixtures of a building, residential dwelling, or child-occupied facility that are distinguished from each other by form, function, and location. These include, but are not limited to, interior components such as ceilings, crown moldings, walls, chair rails, doors, door trim, floors, fireplaces, radiators and other heating units, shelves, shelf supports, stair treads, stair risers, stair stringers, newel posts, railing caps, balustrades, windows and trim (including sashes, window heads, jambs, sills or stools and troughs), built-in cabinets, columns, beams, bathroom vanities, countertops, and air conditioners; and exterior components such as painted roofing, chimneys, flashing, gutters and downspouts, ceilings, soffits, fascias, rake boards, cornerboards, bulkheads, doors and door trim, fences, floors, joists, latticework, railings and railing caps, siding, handrails, stair risers and treads, stair stringers, columns, balustrades, windowsills or stools and troughs, casings, sashes and wells, and air conditioners. Each side of a door is considered a component within its respective room.

“*Component type*” means a group of like components constructed of the same substrate in the same multifamily housing. For example, “wood door” is a component type.

“*Composite sample*” means the collection of more than one sample of the same medium (e.g., dust, soil, or paint) from the same type of surface (e.g., floor, interior windowsill, or window trough) such that multiple samples can be analyzed as a single sample.

“*Concentration*” means the relative content of a specific substance contained within a larger mass, such as the amount of lead (in micrograms per grams or parts per million of weight) in a sample of soil or dust.

“*Containment*” means a process to protect workers and the environment by controlling exposures to the dust-lead hazards and debris created during lead abatement.

“*Course agenda*” means an outline of the key topics to be covered during a training course, including the time allotted to teach each topic.

“*Course test*” means an evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the training which shall test the trainees’ knowledge and retention of the topics covered during the course.

“*Course test blueprint*” means written documentation identifying the proportion of course test questions devoted to each major topic in the course curriculum.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Deteriorated paint*” means any interior or exterior paint or other coating that is cracking, flaking, chipping, peeling, or chalking, or any paint or coating located on an interior or exterior surface that is otherwise damaged or separated from the substrate of a building component.

“*Discipline*” means one of the specific types or categories of lead-based paint activities identified in this chapter for which individuals may receive training from approved courses and become certified by the department. For example, “lead inspector/risk assessor” is a discipline.



*“Distinct painting history”* means the application history, as indicated by its visual appearance or a record of application, over time, of paint or other surface coatings to a component or room.

*“Documented methodologies”* means methods or protocols used to sample for the presence of lead in paint, dust, and soil.

*“Dripline”* means the area within three feet surrounding the perimeter of a building.

*“Dust-lead hazard”* means surface dust in residential dwellings or child-occupied facilities that contains a mass-per-area concentration of lead greater than or equal to 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility when the weighted arithmetic mean lead loading for all single-surface or composite samples of floors and interior windowsills is greater than or equal to 40 micrograms per square foot on floors, 250 micrograms per square foot on interior windowsills, and 400 micrograms per square foot on window troughs based on wipe samples. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled residential dwelling in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled residential unit on the property. A dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs in an unsampled common area in a multifamily dwelling if a dust-lead hazard is present on floors, interior windowsills, or window troughs, respectively, in at least one sampled common area in the same common area group on the property.

*“Elevated blood lead (EBL) child”* means any child who has had one venous blood lead level greater than or equal to 20 micrograms per deciliter or at least two venous blood lead levels of 15 to 19 micrograms per deciliter.

*“Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection”* means an inspection to determine the sources of lead exposure for an elevated blood lead (EBL) child and the provision within ten working days of a written report explaining the results of the investigation to the property owner and occupant of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility being inspected and to the parents of the elevated blood lead (EBL) child. A certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not determine that a residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint as a result of an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection.

*“Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency”* means an agency that employs or contracts with individuals who perform elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections. Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies may also employ or contract with individuals who perform other lead-based paint activities.

*“Encapsulant”* means a substance that forms a barrier between lead-based paint and the environment using a liquid-applied coating (with or without reinforcement materials) or an adhesively bonded coating material.

*“Encapsulation”* means the application of an encapsulant.

*“Enclosure”* means the use of rigid, durable construction materials that are mechanically fastened to the substrate in order to act as a barrier between lead-based paint and the environment.

*“Firm”* means a company, partnership, corporation, sole proprietorship, association, or other business entity that performs or offers to perform lead-based paint activities.

*“Friction surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to abrasion or friction including, but not limited to, certain window, floor, and stair surfaces.

*“Guest instructor”* means an individual designated by the training program manager or principal instructor to provide instruction specific to the lecture, hands-on work activities, or work practice components of a course.

*“Hands-on skills assessment”* means an evaluation which tests the trainees’ ability to satisfactorily perform the work practices and procedures identified in 641—70.6(135), as well as any other skill taught in a training course.

*“Hazardous lead-based paint”* means lead-based paint that is present on a friction surface where there is evidence of abrasion or where the dust-lead level on the nearest horizontal surface underneath the friction surface (e.g., the windowsill or floor) is greater than or equal to the dust-lead hazard level, lead-based paint that is present on an impact surface that is damaged or otherwise deteriorated from impact, lead-based paint that is present on a chewable surface, or any other deteriorated lead-based paint

in any residential building or child-occupied facility or on the exterior of any residential building or child-occupied facility.

*“Hazardous waste”* means any waste as defined in 40 CFR 261.3.

*“Impact surface”* means an interior or exterior surface that is subject to damage by repeated sudden force such as certain parts of door frames.

*“Inconclusive classification”* means any XRF reading falling within the inconclusive range on the performance characteristic sheet, including the boundary values defining the range.

*“Interim controls”* means a set of measures designed to temporarily reduce human exposure or likely exposure to lead-based paint hazards, including repairing deteriorated lead-based paint, specialized cleaning, maintenance, painting, temporary containment, ongoing monitoring of lead-based paint hazards or potential hazards, and the establishment and operation of management and resident education programs.

*“Interior windowsill”* means the portion of the horizontal window ledge that protrudes into the interior of the room.

*“Lead abatement”* means any measure or set of measures designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. Lead abatement includes, but is not limited to, (1) the removal of lead-based paint and dust-lead hazards, the permanent enclosure or encapsulation of lead-based paint, the replacement of lead-painted surfaces or fixtures, and the removal or covering of soil-lead hazards and (2) all preparation, cleanup, disposal, repainting or refinishing, and postabatement clearance testing activities associated with such measures. Lead abatement specifically includes projects for which there is a written contract or other documentation, which provides that an individual will be conducting lead abatement in or around a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. In addition, lead abatement includes, but is not limited to, (1) projects for which there is a written contract or other document, which provides that an individual will be conducting activities in or to a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility that shall result in or are designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards, (2) projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards that are conducted by firms or individuals certified under 641—70.5(135), (3) projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards that are conducted by firms or individuals who, through their company name or promotional literature, represent, advertise, or hold themselves out to be in the business of performing lead-based paint abatement, and (4) projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint that are conducted in response to a lead abatement order. However, in the case of items (1) through (4) of this definition, abatement does not include renovation, remodeling, landscaping, or other activities, when such activities are not designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards, but, instead, are designed to repair, restore, or remodel a given structure or dwelling, even though these activities may incidentally result in a reduction or elimination of lead-based paint hazards. Furthermore, lead abatement does not include interim controls, operations and maintenance activities, or other measures and activities designed to temporarily, but not permanently, reduce lead-based paint hazards.

*“Lead-based paint”* means paint or other surface coatings that contain lead greater than or equal to 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or greater than 0.5 percent by weight. Lead-based paint is present on any surface that is tested and found to contain lead greater than or equal to 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or greater than 0.5 percent by weight and on any surface like a surface tested in the same room equivalent that has a similar painting history and that is found to be lead-based paint.

*“Lead-based paint activities”* means, in the case of target housing and child-occupied facilities, lead-free inspection, lead inspection, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection, lead hazard screen, risk assessment, lead abatement, visual risk assessment, clearance testing conducted after lead abatement, clearance testing conducted after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340, and lead-safe work practices.

*“Lead-based paint hazard”* means hazardous lead-based paint, a dust-lead hazard, or a soil-lead hazard.

*“Lead-free inspection”* means an inspection to determine whether a single dwelling unit or multifamily housing is free of lead-based paint and qualifies for the exemption in 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745 for target housing being leased that is free of lead-based paint and the provision of a written report explaining the results of the lead-free inspection and options for reducing lead-based paint hazards to the property owner and to the person requesting the lead inspection.

*“Lead hazard screen”* means a limited risk assessment activity that involves limited paint and dust sampling and the provision of a written report explaining the results of the lead hazard screen to the property owner and to the person requesting the lead hazard screen.

*“Lead inspection”* means a surface-by-surface investigation to determine the presence of lead-based paint and a determination of the existence, nature, severity, and location of lead-based paint hazards in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and the provision of a written report explaining the results of the investigation and options for reducing lead-based paint hazards to the property owner and to the person requesting the lead inspection. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not determine that a residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint as a result of a lead inspection.

*“Lead professional”* means a person who conducts lead abatement, lead inspections, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections, lead hazard screens, risk assessments, visual risk assessments, clearance testing after lead abatement, or clearance testing after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340.

*“Lead-safe work practices”* means methods that are used to minimize hazards when conducting interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation.

*“Lead-safe work practices contractor”* means a contractor who has completed a lead-safe work practices training program with a score of at least 80 percent on the course examination.

*“Lead-safe work practices training program”* means an 8-hour training program that provides training on how to work safely with lead-based paint.

*“Living area”* means any area of a residential dwelling used by at least one child under the age of six years, including, but not limited to, living rooms, kitchen areas, dens, playrooms, and children’s bedrooms.

*“Loading”* means the quantity of a specific substance present per unit of surface area, such as the amount of lead in micrograms contained in the dust collected from a certain surface area divided by the surface area in square feet or square meters.

*“Mid-yard”* means an area of a residential yard approximately midway between the dripline of a residential building and the nearest property boundary or between the driplines of a residential building and another building on the same property.

*“Multifamily dwelling”* means a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or in part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

*“Multifamily housing”* means one or more multifamily dwellings that are under the same ownership or management.

*“Negative classification”* means any value defined by the performance characteristics sheet as indicating that lead-based paint is not present.

*“NIST 1.02 standard film”* means the National Institute of Standards and Technology 1.02 milligrams of lead per square centimeter standard reference material.

*“Occupant protection plan”* means a plan developed by a certified lead abatement contractor prior to the commencement of lead abatement in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility that describes the measures and management procedures that will be taken during lead abatement to protect the building occupants from exposure to any lead-based paint hazards.

*“Ongoing lead-based paint maintenance”* means the maintenance of housing pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35.

*“Paint-lead hazard”* means the presence of hazardous lead-based paint in a residential dwelling or a child-occupied facility.

*“Paint stabilization”* means repairing any physical defect in the substrate of a painted surface that is causing paint deterioration, removing loose paint and other material from the surface to be treated, and applying a new protective coating or paint pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35.

*“Paint testing”* means the process of determining, by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, the presence or the absence of lead-based paint on deteriorated paint surfaces or painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35.

*“Performance characteristics sheet (PCS)”* means an information sheet developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that defines acceptable operating specifications and procedures for a specific model of X-ray fluorescence analyzer (XRF). The PCS contains information about XRF readings taken on specific substrates, calibration check tolerances, interpretation of XRF readings, and other aspects of the model’s performance.

*“Permanently covered soil”* means soil which has been separated from human contact by the placement of a barrier consisting of solid, relatively impermeable materials, such as pavement or concrete. Grass, mulch, and other landscaping materials are not considered permanent covering.

*“Play area”* means an area of frequent soil contact by children of less than six years of age as indicated by, but not limited to, factors including the following: the presence of play equipment (sandboxes, swing sets, and sliding boards), toys, or other children’s possessions, observations of play patterns, or information provided by parents, residents, caregivers, or property owners.

*“Positive classification”* means any value defined by the performance characteristics sheet as indicating the presence of lead-based paint.

*“Principal instructor”* means the individual who has the primary responsibility for organizing and teaching a particular course.

*“Random selection”* means a method of choosing residential dwellings from multifamily housing consisting of similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings such that each residential dwelling has an equal chance of being selected.

*“Recognized laboratory”* means an environmental laboratory recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 405(b) of the federal Toxic Substance Control Act as capable of performing an analysis for lead compounds in paint, soil, and dust.

*“Reduction”* means measures designed to reduce or eliminate human exposure to lead-based paint hazards through methods including interim controls and lead abatement.

*“Refresher training course”* means a course taken by a certified lead professional to maintain certification in a particular discipline.

*“Registered lead-safe work practices contractor”* means a lead-safe work practices contractor who has been registered by the department.

*“Regulated entity”* means any lead professional or firm that is regulated by the department by virtue of these rules, the Iowa Code, certification documents, approval documents, lead abatement notices, or other official regulatory promulgation.

*“Rehabilitation”* means the improvement of an existing structure through alterations, incidental additions, or enhancements. Rehabilitation includes repairs necessary to correct the results of deferred maintenance, the replacement of principal fixtures and components, improvements to increase the efficient use of energy, and installation of security devices.

*“Residential building”* means a building containing one or more residential dwellings.

*“Residential dwelling”* means (1) a detached single-family dwelling unit, including the surrounding yard, attached structures such as porches and stoops, and detached buildings and structures including, but not limited to, garages, farm buildings, and fences, or (2) a single-family dwelling unit in a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

*“Risk assessment”* means an investigation to determine the existence, nature, severity, and location of lead-based paint hazards in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and the provision of a written report explaining the results of the investigation and options for reducing lead-based paint hazards to the property owner and to the person requesting the risk assessment.

*“Room”* means a separate part of the inside of a building, such as a bedroom, living room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, laundry room, or utility room. To be considered a separate room, the room must be separated from adjoining rooms by built-in walls or archways that extend at least six inches from an intersecting wall. Half walls or bookcases count as room separators if built-in. Movable or collapsible partitions or partitions consisting solely of shelves or cabinets are not considered built-in walls. A screened-in porch that is used as a living area is a room. Each exterior side of the house is considered a separate room.

*“Soil-lead hazard”* means bare soil on residential real property or on the property of a child-occupied facility that contains total lead greater than or equal to 400 parts per million for the dripline, mid-yard, and play areas. A soil-lead hazard is present in a dripline, mid-yard, or play area when the soil-lead concentration from a composite sample of bare soil is greater than or equal to 400 parts per million.

*“Soil sample”* means a sample collected in a representative location using ASTM E1727, “Standard Practice for Field Collection of Soil Samples by Atomic Spectrometry Techniques,” or equivalent method.

*“Standard treatments”* means a series of hazard reduction measures designed to reduce all lead-based paint hazards in a residential dwelling without the benefit of a risk assessment or other evaluation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1335. Standard treatments consist of the stabilization of all deteriorated interior and exterior paint, the provision of smooth and cleanable horizontal hard surfaces, the correction of dust-generating conditions (i.e., conditions causing rubbing, binding, or crushing of surfaces known to or presumed to be coated with lead-based paint), and the treatment of base soil to control known or presumed soil-lead hazards.

*“State certification examination”* means a discipline-specific examination approved by the department to test the knowledge of a person who has completed an approved training course and is applying for certification in a particular discipline. The state certification examination may not be administered by the provider of an approved course.

*“Substrate”* means the material underneath the paint or finish on a surface. Substrates are classified as brick, concrete, drywall, metal, plaster, or wood.

*“Substrate correction”* means adjustments that must be made to readings obtained from some X-ray fluorescence analyzers to correct for systematic biases due to interference from the substrate beneath the paint.

*“Substrate correction value”* means the value that is used to adjust readings obtained from some X-ray fluorescence analyzers to correct for systematic biases due to interference from the substrate beneath the paint.

*“Targeted selection”* means selecting residential dwellings from multifamily housing for risk assessments or lead hazard screens using information supplied by the property owner.

*“Target housing”* means housing constructed prior to 1978 with the exception of housing for the elderly or for persons with disabilities and housing which does not contain a bedroom, unless at least one child under the age of six years resides or is expected to reside in the housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities or housing which does not contain a bedroom. Target housing also includes any nonresidential building where lead-based paint activities are conducted prior to or during the conversion of the nonresidential building to target housing.

*“Testing combination”* means the unique combination of the room, component, substrate, and distinct painting history.

*“Training hour”* means at least 50 minutes of actual learning, including, but not limited to, time devoted to lecture, learning activities, small group activities, demonstrations, evaluations, or hands-on experience.

*“Training manager”* means the individual responsible for administering an approved course and monitoring the performance of principal instructors and guest instructors.

*“Training program”* means a person or organization sponsoring a lead professional training course.

*“Visual inspection for clearance testing”* means the visual examination of a residential dwelling or a child-occupied facility following lead abatement or following interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340

to determine whether or not the lead abatement, interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation has been successfully completed.

*“Visual risk assessment”* means a visual assessment to determine the presence of deteriorated paint or other potential sources of lead-based paint hazards in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and the provision of a written report explaining the results of the assessment to the property owner and to the person requesting the visual risk assessment. For the purpose of compliance with this chapter, housing quality standards inspections conducted in housing owned by a public housing authority and housing that is receiving tenant-based rental assistance from a public housing authority are not considered visual risk assessments.

*“Weighted arithmetic mean”* means the arithmetic mean of sample results weighted by the number of subsamples in each sample. Its purpose is to give influence to a sample relative to the surface area it represents. A single surface dust sample is comprised of a single dust subsample. A composite dust sample may contain from two to four dust subsamples of the same area as each other and of each single surface dust sample in the composite. The weighted arithmetic mean is obtained by summing, for all dust samples, the product of the dust sample’s result multiplied by the number of dust subsamples in the dust sample, and dividing the sum by the total number of dust subsamples contained in all dust samples. For example, the weighted arithmetic mean of a single surface dust sample containing 60 micrograms per square foot ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ ), a composite dust sample (three dust subsamples) containing 100  $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ , and a composite dust sample (four dust subsamples) containing 110  $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$  is 100  $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ . This result is based on the equation  $[60+(3\times 100)+(4\times 110)] / (1+3+4)$ .

*“Window trough”* means, for a typical double-hung window, the portion of the exterior windowsill between the interior windowsill (or stool) and the frame of the storm window. If there is no storm window, the window trough is the area that receives both the upper and lower window sashes when they are both lowered. The window trough is sometimes referred to as the window well.

*“Wipe sample”* means a sample collected by wiping a representative surface of known area, as determined by ASTM E1728, “Standard Practice for Field Collection of Settled Dust Samples Using Wipe Sampling Methods for Lead Determination by Atomic Spectrometry Techniques,” or equivalent method, with an acceptable wipe material as defined in ASTM E1792, “Standard Specification for Wipe Sampling Materials for Lead in Surface Dust.” The minimum area for a floor wipe sample shall be 0.50 square feet or 72 square inches. The minimum area for a windowsill wipe sample and for a window trough wipe sample shall be 0.25 square feet or 36 square inches.

*“Worst case selection”* means conducting a walk-through survey of all residential dwellings in the multifamily housing to select the highest-risk residential dwellings for risk assessments or lead hazard screens.

*“X-ray fluorescence analyzer (XRF)”* means an instrument that determines lead concentrations in milligrams per square centimeter ( $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$ ) using the principle of X-ray fluorescence.

*“XRF reading”* means the number obtained when a surface is tested with an X-ray fluorescence analyzer.

**641—70.3(135) Certification.** Prior to March 1, 2000, lead professionals could be certified by the department. Beginning March 1, 2000, a person or a firm shall not conduct lead abatement, clearance testing after lead abatement, lead-free inspections, lead inspections, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections, lead hazard screens, risk assessments, and visual risk assessments unless the person or firm has been certified by the department in the appropriate discipline. However, persons who perform these activities within residential dwellings that they own are not required to be certified, unless the residential dwelling is occupied by a person other than the owner or a member of the owner’s immediate family while these activities are being performed. In addition, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections shall be conducted only by certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors employed by or under contract with a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency. Beginning September 15, 2000, clearance testing after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, and rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340 shall be conducted only by certified sampling technicians, certified lead inspector/risk assessors, or certified elevated blood lead

(EBL) inspector/risk assessors. Lead professionals and firms shall not state that they have been certified by the state of Iowa unless they have met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and been issued a current certificate by the department. Prior to March 1, 2000, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies could be certified by the department. Beginning March 1, 2000, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies must be certified by the department. Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies shall not state that they have been certified by the state of Iowa unless they have met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and been issued a current certificate by the department.

**641—70.4(135) Course approval and standards.** Prior to March 1, 1999, lead professional training courses for initial certification and refresher training could be approved by the department. Beginning March 1, 1999, lead professional training courses for initial certification and refresher training must be approved by the department. Training programs shall not state that they have been approved by the state of Iowa unless they have met the requirements of 641—70.4(135) and been issued a letter of approval by the department.

**70.4(1)** Training courses shall meet the following requirements:

*a.* The training course shall employ a training manager who has the following qualifications:

(1) A bachelor's or graduate degree in building construction technology, engineering, industrial hygiene, safety, public health, or a related field; or two years of experience in managing a training program specializing in environmental hazards.

(2) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in lead professional activities, including lead inspection, lead abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.

*b.* The training manager shall designate a qualified principal instructor for each course who has the following qualifications:

(1) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in teaching workers or adults.

(2) Certification as a lead inspector/risk assessor, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or lead abatement contractor.

(3) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in lead professional activities, including lead inspection, lead abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.

*c.* The principal instructor shall be responsible for the organization of the course and oversight of the teaching of all course material. The training manager may designate guest instructors as needed to provide instruction specific to the lecture, hands-on activities, or work practice components of a course.

*d.* The training program shall ensure the availability of, and provide adequate facilities for, the delivery of the lecture, course test, hands-on training, and assessment activities. This includes providing training equipment that reflects current work practices and maintaining or updating the equipment as needed.

*e.* The training manager shall maintain the validity and integrity of the hands-on skills assessment to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' performance of the work practices and procedures associated with the course topics contained in subrules 70.4(3) to 70.4(16).

*f.* The training manager shall maintain the validity and integrity of the course test to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' knowledge and retention of the course topics.

*g.* The course test shall be developed in accordance with the test blueprint submitted with the course approval application.

*h.* The training program shall issue unique course completion certificates to each individual who passes the course. The course completion certificate shall include:

(1) The name and address of the individual and a unique identification number.

(2) The name of the particular course that the individual completed and the course length in hours.

(3) Dates of course completion and test passage.

(4) The name, address, and telephone number of the training program.

(5) The signature of the training manager.

*i.* The training manager shall develop and implement a quality control program. The plan shall be used to maintain and improve the quality of the training program over time. This plan shall contain at least the following elements:

(1) Procedures for periodic revision of training materials and the course test to reflect changes in regulations and recommended practices.

(2) Procedures for the training manager to conduct an annual review of the competency of the principal instructor.

*j.* The training program shall offer courses that teach the work practice standards for conducting lead-based paint activities contained in 641—70.6(135) and other standards developed by the department. These standards shall be taught in the appropriate courses to provide trainees with the knowledge needed to perform the lead-based paint activities they are responsible for conducting.

*k.* The training manager shall ensure that each course meets the requirements in this rule for the number of training hours and hours of hands-on training. The training manager shall ensure that any student who misses more than 20 minutes of class time makes up the time before taking the course test.

*l.* The training manager shall ensure that the training program complies at all times with all requirements in this rule.

*m.* The training manager shall allow the department to audit the training program to verify the contents of the application for approval and for reapproval.

*n.* The training program shall maintain, and make available to the department, upon request, the following records:

(1) All documents specified in paragraph 70.4(2) “*f.*”

(2) Current curriculum/course materials and documents reflecting any changes made to these materials.

(3) The course test blueprint and the course test.

(4) Information regarding how the hands-on assessment is conducted including, but not limited to, who conducts the assessment, how the skills are graded, what facilities are used, and the pass/fail rate.

(5) The quality control plan as described in paragraph 70.4(1) “*i.*”

(6) A file for each student who has completed a course. Each student file shall contain the following:

1. The student’s name, address, and telephone number.

2. The student’s test and answer sheet.

3. A copy of the student’s course completion certificate.

4. A copy of the student’s hands-on skill assessment, if applicable.

(7) A file for each individual course that has been offered. Each file shall include the following:

1. The dates of the course.

2. The location of the course.

3. The instructors who taught the course.

4. A copy of the curriculum used for the course.

5. A copy of the test used for the course.

6. Documentation of the times that each student was present at the course, including documentation of how a student made up missed time.

7. The course evaluations.

(8) Any other materials that have been submitted to the department as part of the program’s application for approval.

*o.* The training program shall retain all required records at the address specified on the training program approval application for a minimum of six years.

*p.* The training program shall notify the department in writing within 30 days of changing the address specified on its training program approval application or transferring the records from that address.

*q.* A training program shall notify the department in writing at least 30 days in advance of offering an approved course. The notification shall include the date(s), time(s), and location(s) where the approved course will be held.



*r.* A training program shall provide the following information to the department electronically in a format specified by the department within 30 days of the conclusion of an approved course for each student who has taken the approved course:

- (1) Name, address, and social security number.
- (2) Course completion certificate number.
- (3) Test score.

**70.4(2)** If a training program desires approval of a course by the department, the training program shall apply to the department for approval of the course at least 90 days before the initial offering of the course. The application shall include:

- a.* Training program name, contact person, address, and telephone number.
- b.* Course dates and times.
- c.* Course location, including a description of the facilities and equipment to be used for lecture and hands-on training.
- d.* Course agenda, including approximate times allotted to each training segment.
- e.* A copy of each reference material, text, student and instructor manuals, and audio-visual material used in the course.

*f.* The name(s) and qualifications of the training manager, principal instructor(s), and guest instructor(s). The following documents shall be submitted as evidence that training managers and principal instructors have the education, work experience, training requirements, or demonstrated experience required by subrule 70.4(1):

- (1) Official transcripts or diplomas as evidence of meeting the education requirements.
  - (2) Résumés, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.
  - (3) Certificates from lead-specific training courses, as evidence of meeting the training requirements.
- g.* A copy of the course test blueprint.
  - h.* A description of the activities and procedures that will be used for conducting the assessment of hands-on skills for each course.
  - i.* Maximum class size.
  - j.* A copy of the quality control plan for the course.
  - k.* A nonrefundable fee of \$200.

**70.4(3)** To be approved for the training of lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors prior to March 1, 1999, a course was required to be at least 24 training hours with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. Beginning March 1, 1999, a course must be at least 40 training hours with a minimum of 12 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. Lead inspector/risk assessor and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor training courses shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a.* Role and responsibilities of an inspector/risk assessor.
- b.* Background information on lead and its adverse health effects, how children and adults are exposed to lead, and how to prevent lead exposure in children and adults.
- c.* Background information on federal, state, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- d.* Lead-based paint inspection methods, including selection of rooms and components for sampling or testing to determine if a property is free of lead-based paint as specified in the Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing (1995, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development), and methods to determine if lead-based paint hazards are present in a property.\*
- e.* Paint, dust, and soil sampling methodologies.\*
- f.* Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.\*
- g.* Collection of background information to perform a risk assessment.
- h.* Sources of environmental lead contamination such as paint, surface dust and soil, and water.

- i.* Visual inspection to identify lead-based paint hazards.\*
- j.* Lead hazard screen protocol.
- k.* Visual risk assessment protocol.
- l.* Sampling for other sources of lead exposure.\*
- m.* Interpretation of lead-based paint and other lead sampling results, including all applicable federal, state, and local guidance or regulations pertaining to lead-based paint hazards.\*
- n.* Development of hazard control options, the role of interim controls, and operations and maintenance activities to reduce lead-based paint hazards.
- o.* Approved methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.
- p.* Prohibited methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.
- q.* Interior dust abatement and cleanup.
- r.* Soil and exterior dust abatement and cleanup.
- s.* Preparation of the final inspection report.
- t.* Record keeping.

*u.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment. The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

*v.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(4)** To be approved for the training of lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors who have already completed an approved sampling technician course, a course must be at least 20 training hours with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The training course shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a.* Role and responsibilities of a lead inspector/risk assessor and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.
- b.* Lead-based paint inspection methods, including selection of rooms and components for sampling or testing to determine if a property is free of lead-based paint as specified in the work practice standards in 641—70.6(135), and methods to determine if lead-based paint hazards are present in a property.\*
- c.* Collection of background information to perform a risk assessment.
- d.* Lead hazard screen protocol.
- e.* Visual risk assessment protocol.
- f.* Sampling for other sources of lead exposure.\*
- g.* Interpretation of lead-based paint and other lead sampling results, including all applicable federal, state, and local guidance or regulations pertaining to lead-based paint hazards.\*
- h.* Development of hazard control options, the role of interim controls, and operations and maintenance activities to reduce lead-based paint hazards.\*
- i.* Preparation of the final inspection report.
- j.* Record keeping.
- k.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment.

The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

*l.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(5)** Rescinded IAB 3/31/04, effective 5/5/04.

**70.4(6)** Rescinded IAB 3/31/04, effective 5/5/04.

**70.4(7)** Rescinded IAB 3/31/04, effective 5/5/04.

**70.4(8)** To be approved for the training of lead abatement contractors, a course must be at least 40 training hours with a minimum of 12 hours devoted to hands-on activities and shall cover at least the

following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a. Role and responsibilities of a lead abatement contractor.
- b. Background information on lead and its adverse health effects, how children and adults are exposed to lead, and how to prevent lead exposure in children and adults.
- c. Background information on federal, state, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- d. Liability and insurance issues relating to lead abatement.
- e. Identification of lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards.\*
- f. Interpretation of lead inspection reports.\*
- g. Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan and lead abatement report.
- h. Respiratory protection and protective clothing.\*
- i. Employee information and training.
- j. Approved methods for conducting lead abatement and interim controls.\*
- k. Prohibited methods for conducting lead abatement and interim controls.
- l. Interior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- m. Soil and exterior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- n. Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.
- o. Cleanup and waste disposal.
- p. Record keeping.
- q. The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment.

The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

r. The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(9)** To be approved for the training of lead abatement contractors who have already completed an approved lead abatement worker course, a course must be at least 16 training hours with a minimum of 4 hours devoted to hands-on activities and shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a. Role and responsibilities of a lead abatement contractor.
- b. Liability and insurance issues relating to lead abatement.
- c. Interpretation of lead inspection reports.\*
- d. Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan and abatement report.
- e. Employee information and training.
- f. Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.
- g. Record keeping.
- h. The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment.

The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

i. The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and with information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(10)** To be approved for the training of lead abatement workers, a course must be at least 24 training hours with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on activities and shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a. Role and responsibilities of a lead abatement worker.
- b. Background information on lead and its adverse health effects, how children and adults are exposed to lead, and how to prevent lead exposure in children and adults.

- c.* Background information on federal, state, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- d.* Identification of lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards.\*
- e.* Approved methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.\*
- f.* Prohibited methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.
- g.* Interior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- h.* Soil and exterior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- i.* Cleanup and waste disposal.
- j.* Respiratory protection and protective clothing.\*
- k.* Personal hygiene.
- l.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment.

The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

- m.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification.

**70.4(11)** To be approved for the training of sampling technicians prior to September 15, 2000, a course was required to be at least 16 training hours with a minimum of 4 hours devoted to hands-on activities. Beginning September 15, 2000, a course must be at least 20 training hours with a minimum of 4 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The training course shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a.* Role and responsibilities of a sampling technician.
- b.* Background information on lead and its adverse health effects, how children and adults are exposed to lead, and how to prevent lead exposure in children and adults.
- c.* Background information on federal, state, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- d.* Methods of conducting visual risk assessments.\*
- e.* Paint, dust, and soil sampling methodologies.\*
- f.* Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.\*
- g.* Identification of lead-based paint hazards.\*
- h.* Sources of environmental lead contamination such as paint, surface dust and soil, and water.
- i.* Visual inspection to identify lead-based paint hazards.\*
- j.* Approved methods for conducting lead abatement and interim controls.
- k.* Prohibited methods for conducting lead abatement and interim controls.
- l.* Methods of interim controls and lead abatement for interior dust and cleanup.
- m.* Methods of interim controls and lead abatement for exterior dust and soil and cleanup.
- n.* Preparation of the final assessment report.
- o.* Preparation of clearance testing reports for interim controls.
- p.* Record keeping.
- q.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment.

The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

- r.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification.

**70.4(12)** To be approved for the training of project designers, a course must be at least 48 instructional training hours with a minimum of 12 hours devoted to hands-on activities and shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a.* Role and responsibilities of a lead abatement contractor.
- b.* Background information on lead and its adverse health effects, how children and adults are exposed to lead, and how to prevent lead exposure in children and adults.

- c.* Background information on federal, state, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- d.* Liability and insurance issues relating to lead abatement.
- e.* Identification of lead-based paint and lead hazards.\*
- f.* Interpretation of lead inspection reports.\*
- g.* Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan and lead abatement report.
- h.* Respiratory protection and protective clothing.\*
- i.* Employee information and training.
- j.* Approved methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.\*
- k.* Prohibited methods for conducting lead-based paint abatement and interim controls.
- l.* Interior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- m.* Soil and exterior dust abatement and cleanup.\*
- n.* Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.
- o.* Cleanup and waste disposal.
- p.* Record keeping.
- q.* Role and responsibilities of a project designer.
- r.* Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- s.* Lead abatement and lead hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- t.* Interior dust abatement/cleanup or lead hazard control and reduction methods for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- u.* Clearance standards and testing for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- v.* Integration of lead abatement methods with modernization and rehabilitation projects for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- w.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment. The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.
- x.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and with information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(13)** To be approved for the training of project designers who have already completed an approved lead abatement contractor course, a course must be at least 8 instructional training hours and shall cover at least the following subjects:

- a.* Role and responsibilities of a project designer.
- b.* Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan for large-scale abatement projects.
- c.* Lead abatement and lead hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- d.* Interior dust abatement/cleanup or lead hazard control and reduction methods for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- e.* Clearance standards and testing for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- f.* Integration of lead abatement methods with modernization and rehabilitation projects for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- g.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment. The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.
- h.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(14)** To be approved for the training of project designers who have already completed an approved lead abatement worker course, a course must be at least 24 instructional training hours with

a minimum of 4 hours devoted to hands-on activities and shall cover at least the following subjects (requirements ending in an asterisk (\*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course):

- a.* Role and responsibilities of a lead abatement contractor.
- b.* Liability and insurance issues relating to lead abatement.
- c.* Interpretation of lead inspection reports.\*
- d.* Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan and lead abatement report.
- e.* Employee information and training.
- f.* Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.
- g.* Record keeping.
- h.* Role and responsibilities of a project designer.
- i.* Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- j.* Lead abatement and lead hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- k.* Interior dust abatement/cleanup or lead hazard control and reduction methods for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- l.* Clearance standards and testing for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- m.* Integration of lead abatement methods with modernization and rehabilitation projects for large-scale lead abatement projects.
- n.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment. The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.
- o.* The instructor shall provide each student with instructions and forms needed to apply to the department for certification and information provided by the department regarding the state certification examination.

**70.4(15)** To be approved for refresher training of sampling technicians, lead abatement contractors, lead abatement workers, and project designers, a course must be at least 8 training hours. To be approved for refresher training of lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors who completed an approved 24-hour training course, a course must be at least 8 training hours to meet the recertification requirements of subrule 70.5(3). To be approved for refresher training of lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors to meet the recertification requirements of subrule 70.5(6), a course must be at least 16 training hours. All refresher courses shall cover at least the following topics:

- a.* A review of the curriculum topics of the initial certification course for the appropriate discipline as listed in subrules 70.4(3) to 70.4(14).
- b.* An overview of current safety practices relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- c.* Current laws and regulations relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- d.* Current technologies relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- e.* The course shall conclude with a course test and, if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment. The student must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination and successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment to successfully complete the course.

**70.4(16)** Approvals of training courses shall expire three years after the date of issuance. The training manager shall submit the following at least 90 days prior to the expiration date for a course to be reapproved:

- a.* Sponsoring organization name, contact person, address, and telephone number.
- b.* A list of the courses for which reapproval is sought.
- c.* A description of any changes to the training staff, facility, equipment, or course materials since the approval of the training program.

*d.* A statement signed by the training manager stating that the training program complies at all times with 641—70.4(135).

*e.* A nonrefundable fee of \$200.

**70.4(17)** The department shall consider a request for approval of a training course that has been approved by a state or tribe authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

*a.* The course shall be approved if it meets the requirements of 641—70.4(135).

*b.* If the course does not meet all of the requirements of 641—70.4(135), the department shall inform the training provider of additional topics and training hours that are needed to meet the requirements of 641—70.4(135).

**641—70.5(135) Certification, interim certification, and recertification.**

**70.5(1)** A person wishing to become a certified lead professional shall apply on forms supplied by the department. The applicant must submit:

*a.* A completed application form.

*b.* A certificate of completion of an approved course for the discipline in which the applicant wishes to become certified.

*c.* If wishing to become a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, documentation of successful completion of the manufacturer's training course or equivalent for the X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer that the inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor will use to conduct lead inspections.

*d.* If wishing to become a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, documentation of successful completion of 8 hours of training from the department's childhood lead poisoning prevention program. This training shall cover the roles and responsibilities of an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor and the environmental and medical case management of elevated blood lead (EBL) children. The training shall conclude with a written examination. The applicant must achieve a score of at least 80 percent on the examination to successfully complete the training.

*e.* Documentation that the applicant meets the additional experience and education requirements in subrule 70.5(2) for the discipline in which the applicant wishes to become certified. The following documents shall be submitted as evidence that the applicant has the education and work experience required by subrule 70.5(2):

(1) Official transcripts or diplomas as evidence of meeting the education requirements.

(2) Résumés, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.

*f.* Beginning March 1, 2000, to become certified as a lead inspector/risk assessor, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, lead abatement contractor, or project designer, a certificate showing that the applicant has passed the state certification examination in the discipline in which the applicant wishes to become certified.

*g.* A \$50 nonrefundable fee.

*h.* A person may receive interim certification from the department as a lead inspector/risk assessor, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, lead abatement contractor, or project designer by submitting the items required by paragraphs 70.5(1) "a" to "e" and "g" to the department. If the applicant completed an approved course prior to September 1, 1999, the interim certification expired on March 1, 2000. If the applicant completed an approved course on or after September 1, 1999, the interim certification shall expire six months from the date of completion of an approved course. An applicant shall upgrade an interim certification to a certification by submitting a certificate to the department showing that the applicant has passed the state certification examination as required by paragraph 70.5(1) "f." Interim certification is equivalent to certification.

**70.5(2)** Beginning September 1, 1999, to become certified by the department as a lead professional, an applicant must meet the education and experience requirements for the appropriate discipline:

*a.* Lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors must meet one of the following requirements:

(1) Bachelor's degree and one year of related experience (e.g., lead, environmental health, public health, housing inspection, building trades).

(2) Associate's degree and two years of related experience (e.g., lead, environmental health, public health, housing inspection, building trades).

(3) High school diploma and three years of related experience (e.g., lead, environmental health, public health, housing inspection, building trades).

(4) Certification as an industrial hygienist, professional engineer, registered architect, registered sanitarian, registered environmental health specialist, or registered nurse.

*b.* Lead abatement contractors must meet one of the following requirements:

(1) One year of experience as a certified lead abatement worker.

(2) Two years of related experience or education (e.g., lead, housing inspection, building trades, property management and maintenance).

*c.* No additional education or experience is required for lead abatement workers.

*d.* Sampling technicians must meet one of the following requirements:

(1) Associate's degree.

(2) High school diploma and one year of related experience (e.g., lead, environmental health, public health, housing inspection, building trades).

(3) Certification as an industrial hygienist, professional engineer, registered architect, registered sanitarian, registered environmental health specialist, or registered nurse.

*e.* Project designers must meet one of the following requirements:

(1) Bachelor's degree in engineering, architecture, or a related profession, and one year of experience in building construction and design or a related field.

(2) Four years of experience in building construction and design or a related field.

**70.5(3)** Certifications issued prior to September 1, 1999, expired on February 29, 2000. By March 1, 2000, lead professionals certified prior to September 1, 1999, were required to be recertified by submitting the following:

*a.* A completed application form.

*b.* For lead inspector/risk assessors and elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors, a certificate showing the completion of additional training hours in an approved course to meet the total training hours required by subrule 70.4(3) and the completion of an 8-hour refresher course.

*c.* Reserved.

*d.* Documentation that the applicant meets the experience and education requirements in subrule 70.5(2) for the discipline in which the applicant wishes to become certified. The following documents shall be submitted as evidence that the applicant has the education and work experience required by subrule 70.5(2):

(1) Official transcripts or diplomas as evidence of meeting the education requirements.

(2) Résumés, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.

*e.* For lead abatement contractors, lead abatement workers, project designers, and sampling technicians, if the date on which the applicant completed an approved training course is three years or more before the date of recertification, a certificate showing that the applicant has successfully completed an approved refresher training course for the appropriate discipline.

*f.* A certificate showing that the applicant has passed the state certification examination in the discipline in which the applicant wishes to become certified.

*g.* A \$50 nonrefundable fee.

**70.5(4)** By September 15, 2000, sampling technicians certified prior to July 1, 2000, were required to be recertified by submitting a certificate showing the completion of additional training hours in an approved course to meet the total training hours required by subrule 70.4(11) and the completion of an 8-hour refresher course.

**70.5(5)** All agencies that perform or offer to perform elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections after September 15, 2000, must be certified by the department. An agency wishing to become a certified



elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency shall apply on forms supplied by the department. The agency must submit:

- a. A completed application form.
- b. Documentation that the agency has the authority to require the repair of lead hazards identified through an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection.
- c. Documentation that the agency employs or has contracted with a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor to provide environmental case management of all elevated blood lead (EBL) children in the agency's service area, including follow-up to ensure that lead-based paint hazards identified as a result of elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections are corrected, and that lead-based paint activities will be conducted only by appropriately certified lead professionals. In addition, the agency must document that the agency and its employees or contractors will follow the work practice standards in 641—70.6(135) for conducting lead-based paint activities.
- d. A statement that the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency will maintain all records required by subrule 70.6(10).

**70.5(6)** Beginning March 1, 2000, individuals certified as lead professionals must be recertified each year. To be recertified, lead professionals must submit the following:

- a. A completed application form.
- b. A \$50 nonrefundable fee.
- c. Every three years, a certificate showing that the applicant has successfully completed an approved refresher training course for the appropriate discipline. The initial refresher training course must be completed no more than three years after the date on which the applicant completed an approved training program.

**70.5(7)** The department shall approve the state certification examinations for the disciplines of lead inspector/risk assessor, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, lead abatement contractor, and project designer. The state certification examination shall be administered by selected community college testing centers in Iowa through an agreement with the consortium of Iowa community colleges. A community college testing center shall set the fee for administering the state certification examination to each applicant and shall collect the fee from each applicant.

- a. An individual may take the state certification examination no more than three times within six months of receiving a certificate of completion from an approved course.
- b. If an individual does not pass the state certification examination within six months of receiving a certificate of completion from an approved course, the individual must retake the appropriate approved course before reapplying for certification.

**70.5(8)** Reciprocity. Each applicant for certification who is certified in any of the disciplines specified in this rule in another state may request reciprocal certification. The department shall evaluate the requirements for certification to determine that the requirements for certification in such other state are as protective of health and the environment as the requirements for certification in Iowa. If the department determines that the requirements for certification in such other state are as protective of health and the environment as the requirements for certification in Iowa, the applicant may be certified after passing a proctored test covering Iowa-specific lead information with a score of at least 80 percent. Each applicant for certification pursuant to this subrule shall submit the appropriate application accompanied by the fee for each discipline as specified in 641—70.5(135).

**641—70.6(135) Work practice standards for conducting lead-based paint activities in target housing and child-occupied facilities.** Prior to March 1, 2000, when performing any lead-based paint activity described as a lead-free inspection, lead inspection, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection, lead hazard screen, risk assessment, visual risk assessment, or lead abatement, a certified individual was required to perform that activity in compliance with the appropriate requirements below. Beginning March 1, 2000, any lead-based paint activity described as a lead-free inspection, lead inspection, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection, lead hazard screen, risk assessment, visual risk assessment, or lead abatement shall be performed according to the work practice standards in 641—70.6(135), and a certified individual must perform that activity in compliance with the appropriate requirements below.

**70.6(1)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a lead-free inspection according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, a lead-free inspection shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall notify the department in writing no later than 30 days after conducting a lead-free inspection in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. The notification shall include the following information:

- (1) The address where the lead-free inspection was conducted.
- (2) The dates when the lead-free inspection was conducted.
- (3) The name, address, telephone number, Iowa certification number, and signature of the contact for the certified firm that conducted the lead-free inspection.
- (4) The name, address, telephone number, Iowa certification number, and signature of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor who conducted the lead-free inspection.

*b.* When conducting a lead-free inspection in a residential dwelling, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following procedures:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test paint in each room, including each exterior side.

(2) Except for components known to have been replaced after December 31, 1977, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test each testing combination in each room. On windows, the window frame, interior windowsill, window sash, and window trough shall each be considered a separate testing combination. Except for walls, one sample shall be taken for each testing combination in a room. Each wall in a room shall be tested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall require one of the following two types of evidence to determine that components were replaced after 1977:

1. Detailed specifications showing which components were to be replaced, restored, enclosed, or encapsulated and evidence that the work was actually completed such as receipts for building materials, city building records showing a date of remodeling, or a final inspection by the city or another inspector showing that the work was actually completed.

2. A certification under penalty of perjury per Iowa Code section 622.1 from the contractor who did the work or from the person(s) who owned the property at the time outlining all of the components that were removed and replaced.

If one of these two types of evidence is not available, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test the component.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall note any components where lead-based paint has been enclosed or encapsulated. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not make a determination that the residential dwelling is lead-free where components that are painted with lead-based paint have been enclosed or encapsulated.

(4) Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence (XRF) or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

1. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

2. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use standards provided by the manufacturer and the NIST 1.02 standard film for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer.

3. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection, every four hours, and at the end of the inspection.

4. Prior to taking the final set of calibration readings and if required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16.

5. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint.

6. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If instructed by the property owner or the person requesting the report, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that inconclusive readings are positive, but shall not assume that inconclusive readings are negative.

7. As described by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct retesting of 10 surfaces, calculate the retest tolerance limit, and determine whether the inspection meets the retest tolerance limit. If the retest tolerance limit is not met, then this procedure shall be repeated with 10 additional surfaces. If the retest tolerance limit is not met with the 20 retested surfaces, then all results of the inspection shall be considered invalid.

(5) If each testing combination in the residential dwelling is found to be free of lead-based paint, then the residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint. If any surface in the residential dwelling is found to be painted with lead-based paint, then the residential dwelling is not free of lead-based paint.

(6) If lead-based paint is identified through a lead-free inspection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a visual inspection to determine the presence of lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated.

(7) A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where a lead-free inspection is completed. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the lead-free inspection, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of each written report for no less than three years. The report shall include, at least:

1. A statement that the inspection was conducted to determine whether the residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint;

2. Date of inspection;

3. Address of building;

4. Date of construction;

5. Apartment numbers (if applicable);

6. The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;

7. Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation;

8. Name, address, and telephone number of each laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples;

9. Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) device;

10. XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated at each required calibration;

11. Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;

12. The results of retesting of 10 surfaces, calculations to determine the retest tolerance limit, and the determination of whether the inspection meets the retest tolerance limit;

13. If the inspector determines that the residential dwelling is free of lead-based paint, the report shall contain the following statement:

“The results of this inspection indicate that no lead in amounts greater than or equal to 1.0 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> in paint was found on any building components, using the inspection protocol in Chapter 7 of the HUD Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing (1997). Therefore, this residential dwelling qualifies for the exemption in 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745 for target housing being leased that is free of lead-based paint, as defined in the rule. However, some painted surfaces may contain levels of lead below 1.0 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>, which could create lead dust or lead-contaminated soil hazards if the paint is turned into dust by abrasion, scraping, or sanding. This report should be kept by the owner and all future owners for the life of the residential dwelling. Per the disclosure requirements of 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745, prospective buyers are entitled to all available inspection reports should the property be resold.”;

14. If any lead-based paint is identified, a description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, including the classification of each tested surface as to whether it is a lead-based paint hazard, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where

lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;

15. A description of interim controls and abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;

16. Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and

17. Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

*c.* When conducting a lead-free inspection in multifamily housing, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following procedures:

(1) A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may randomly select residential dwellings for testing when conducting a lead-free inspection in multifamily housing. If built before 1960 or if the date of construction is unknown, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 20 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. If built from 1960 to 1977, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 10 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not randomly select the residential dwellings for testing or if there are not enough residential dwellings to randomly select them for sampling, all residential dwellings shall be tested. If random selection is used, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the lead-free inspection shall randomly select the residential dwellings to be tested. The property owner, manager, or another interested party shall not specify which residential dwellings are to be tested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the number of residential dwellings to randomly select for testing.

Table 1

Minimum Number of Residential Dwellings to be Randomly Selected in Multifamily Housing for Lead-Free Inspection, Risk Assessment, Lead Hazard Screen, or Clearance Testing

Number of Similar Residential Dwellings, Similar Common Areas, or Similar Exteriors in Multifamily Housing	Lead-Free Inspection, Risk Assessment, or Lead Hazard Screen		Clearance Testing
	Number of Pre-1960 Residential Dwellings or Residential Dwellings of Unknown Date of Construction to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of 1960-1977 Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Clearance Testing
1-9	All	All	All
10-13	All	10	All
14	All	11	All
15	All	12	All
16-17	All	13	All
18	All	14	All
19	All	15	All
20	All	16	All
21-26	20	16	20
27	21	17	21
28	22	18	22

Number of Similar Residential Dwellings, Similar Common Areas, or Similar Exteriors in Multifamily Housing	Lead-Free Inspection, Risk Assessment, or Lead Hazard Screen		Clearance Testing
	Number of Pre-1960 Residential Dwellings or Residential Dwellings of Unknown Date of Construction to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of 1960-1977 Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Clearance Testing
29	23	18	23
30	23	19	23
31	24	19	24
32	25	19	25
33-34	26	19	26
35	27	19	27
36	28	19	28
37	29	19	29
38-39	30	20	30
40-48	31	21	31
49-50	31	22	31
51	32	22	32
52-53	33	22	33
54	34	22	34
55-56	35	22	35
57-58	36	22	36
59	37	23	37
60-69	38	23	38
70-73	38	24	38
74-75	39	24	39
76-77	40	24	40
78-79	41	24	41
80-88	42	24	42
89-95	42	25	42
96-97	43	25	43
98-99	44	25	44
100-109	45	25	45
110-117	45	26	45
118-119	46	26	46
120-138	47	26	47
139-157	48	26	48
158-159	49	26	49
160-177	49	27	49
178-197	50	27	50
198-218	51	27	51
219-258	52	27	52
259-279	53	27	53
280-299	53	28	53
300-379	54	28	54

Number of Similar Residential Dwellings, Similar Common Areas, or Similar Exteriors in Multifamily Housing	Lead-Free Inspection, Risk Assessment, or Lead Hazard Screen		Clearance Testing
	Number of Pre-1960 Residential Dwellings or Residential Dwellings of Unknown Date of Construction to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of 1960-1977 Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Testing	Number of Residential Dwellings to Randomly Select for Clearance Testing
380-499	55	28	55
500-776	56	28	56
777-939	57	28	57
940-1004	57	29	57
1005-1022	58	29	58
1023-1032	59	29	59
1033-1039	59	30	59
1040+	5.8%, rounded to the next highest whole number	2.9%, rounded to the next highest whole number	5.8%, rounded to the next highest whole number

(2) A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may randomly select each type of common area in the multifamily housing, including but not limited to hallways, exterior sides of a building, and laundry rooms, for testing. Each type of common area shall be counted separately. If built before 1960, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 20 of a type of common area in order to use random selection. If built from 1960 to 1977, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 10 of a type of common area in order to use random selection. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not randomly select the common areas for testing or if there are not enough common areas to randomly select them for testing, all common areas shall be tested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the number of each type of common area to randomly select for testing.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test paint in each room of each residential dwelling selected for testing and in each common area selected for testing.

(4) Except for components known to have been replaced after December 31, 1977, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test each testing combination in each room of a residential dwelling chosen for testing and in each common area chosen for testing. On windows, the window frame, interior windowsill, window sash, and window trough shall each be considered a separate testing combination. Each wall in a room or a common area shall be tested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall require one of the following two types of evidence to determine that components were replaced after 1977:

1. Detailed specifications showing which components were to be replaced, restored, enclosed, or encapsulated and evidence that the work was actually completed such as receipts for building materials, city building records showing a date of remodeling, or evidence of a final inspection by the city or another inspector showing that the work was actually completed.

2. A certification under penalty of perjury per Iowa Code section 622.1 from the contractor who did the work or from the person(s) who owned the property at the time outlining all of the components that were removed and replaced.

If one of these two types of evidence is not available, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test the component.

(5) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall note any components where lead-based paint has been enclosed or encapsulated. The certified

lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not make a determination that a component or the multifamily housing is lead-free where components that are painted with lead-based paint have been enclosed or encapsulated.

(6) Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

1. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer which has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

2. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer using a software version or a mode of operation that could result in inconclusive readings or would require substrate correction.

3. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use standards provided by the manufacturer and the NIST 1.02 standard film for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer.

4. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection, every four hours, and at the end of the inspection.

5. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading as positive or negative according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint.

6. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall count the number of XRF readings taken for each component type. If fewer than 40 of any component type were tested, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall randomly choose additional testing combinations for the component type to reach a total of 40 XRF readings. If fewer than 40 testing combinations are available for testing, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test each testing combination.

(7) For each component type where at least 40 testing combinations have been tested, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall determine the number and percentage of each component type that is classified as positive or negative. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each component type as follows:

1. Lead-based paint is not present on a component type if all readings are classified as negative.

2. Lead-based paint is present on a component type if at least 15 percent of the readings are classified as positive.

3. Lead-based paint is present on a component type if greater than or equal to 5 percent but less than 15 percent of the XRF readings are classified as positive, unless the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor collects paint samples and obtains laboratory analyses for all positive XRF readings. If the laboratory analyses show that lead-based paint



is not present on any components, then the component type is negative. If the laboratory analyses show that lead-based paint is present on any component, then the component type is positive.

4. Lead-based paint is present on a component type if greater than 0 but less than 5 percent of the XRF readings are classified as positive, unless the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor collects paint samples and obtains laboratory analyses for all positive XRF readings or randomly selects a second set of residential dwellings for testing. If the laboratory analyses show that lead-based paint is not present on any components, then the component type is negative. If the laboratory analyses show that lead-based paint is present on any component, then the component type is positive. If a second set of randomly selected residential dwellings is sampled and greater than 0 but less than 2.5 percent of the combined set of results is positive, the component type may be considered as not having lead-based paint developmentwide but rather, having lead-based paint in isolated locations, with a reasonable degree of confidence. Individual components that are classified as positive should be considered lead-based painted and managed or abated appropriately.

5. If a particular component type in the sampled residential dwellings is classified as positive, that same component type in the unsampled residential dwellings is also classified as positive.

(8) If fewer than 40 of a component type are available for testing, each testing combination must be classified individually as positive or negative.

(9) If any component type or individual component is classified as positive, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not state that the multifamily housing is free of lead-based paint.

(10) As specified by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct retesting of 10 surfaces selected from two residential dwellings, calculate the retest tolerance limit, and determine whether the inspection meets the retest tolerance limit. If the retest tolerance limit is not met, then this procedure shall be repeated with 10 additional surfaces selected from the two residential dwellings. If the retest tolerance limit is not met with the 20 retested surfaces, then all results of the inspection shall be considered invalid.

(11) If lead-based paint is identified on any component or component type, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a visual inspection to determine the presence of lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated.

(12) A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility inspected. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the inspection, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of each written report for no less than three years. The inspection report shall include, at least:

1. Date of each inspection;
2. Address of each building in the multifamily housing;
3. Date of construction for each building in the multifamily housing;
4. A list of the apartments and common areas in each building in the multifamily housing;
5. The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
6. A statement that the inspection was conducted to determine that lead-based paint is not present;
7. The name of the Iowa-certified inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor who randomly selected the residential dwellings and common areas for testing;
8. The number of residential dwellings and common areas that were selected for testing, how these numbers were determined, and a list of the residential dwellings and common areas that were selected for testing;

9. Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation;

10. Name, address, and telephone number of each laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples;

11. Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer;

12. XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated at each required calibration;

13. Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and by residential dwelling or common area and the results for each component expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;

14. Component aggregations and the determination of whether lead-based paint is present by component type;

15. The results of retesting of 10 surfaces, calculations to determine the retest tolerance limit, and the determination of whether the inspection meets the retest tolerance limit;

16. If the inspector determines that the multifamily housing is free of lead-based paint, the report shall contain the following statement:

“The results of this inspection indicate that no lead in amounts greater than or equal to 1.0 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> in paint was found on any building components, using the inspection protocol in Chapter 7 of the HUD Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing (1997). Therefore, this multifamily housing qualifies for the exemption in 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745 for target housing being leased that is free of lead-based paint, as defined in the rule. However, some painted surfaces may contain levels of lead below 1.0 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>, which could create lead dust or lead-contaminated soil hazards if the paint is turned into dust by abrasion, scraping, or sanding. This report should be kept by the owner and all future owners for the life of the multifamily housing. Per the disclosure requirements of 24 CFR Part 35 and 40 CFR Part 745, prospective buyers are entitled to all available inspection reports should the property be resold.”;

17. If any lead-based paint is identified, a description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, including the classification of each tested surface as to whether it is a lead-based paint hazard, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;

18. A description of interim controls and lead abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;

19. Information regarding the owner’s obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and

20. Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(2)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct lead inspections according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, lead inspections shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* When conducting a lead inspection in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following procedures:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test paint in each room, including each exterior side.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test each testing combination in each room. On windows, the window frame, interior windowsill, window sash, and window trough shall each be considered a separate testing combination. One sample shall be taken for each testing combination in a room. If a testing combination is not tested, it shall be assumed to be painted with lead-based paint.

*b.* Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the NIST 1.02 standard film or standards provided by the manufacturer for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not state that any surface is free of lead-based paint unless the NIST 1.02 standard film is used for calibration.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection.

(4) If required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface, and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not conduct substrate correction where required by the performance characteristics sheet, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that all of the readings are positive and shall not state that a surface is free of lead-based paint.

(5) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the

certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that all inconclusive readings are positive and classify them as such.

(6) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not resolve inconclusive readings by laboratory analysis, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the inconclusive readings are positive.

c. If lead-based paint is identified through an inspection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a visual inspection to determine the presence of lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated.

d. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility inspected. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the inspection, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of each written report for no less than three years. The inspection report shall include, at least:

- (1) A statement that the inspection was conducted to identify lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards in the residential dwelling;
- (2) Date of each inspection;
- (3) Address of building;
- (4) Date of construction;
- (5) Apartment numbers (if applicable);
- (6) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (7) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation;
- (8) Name, address, and telephone number of each laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples;
- (9) Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer;
- (10) XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated;
- (11) Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;
- (12) A statement that all painted or finished components that were not tested must be assumed to contain lead-based paint;
- (13) A description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, including the classification of each tested surface as to whether it is a lead-based paint hazard, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;

(14) A description of interim controls and lead abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;

(15) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CRF Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and

(16) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(3)** A certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections shall be conducted only by a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* When conducting an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following procedures:

(1) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test paint in each room, including each exterior side.

(2) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test each testing combination in each room. One sample shall be taken for each testing combination in a room. On windows, the window frame, interior windowsill, window sash, and window trough shall each be considered a separate testing combination. If a testing combination is not tested, it shall be assumed to be painted with lead-based paint.

*b.* Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

(1) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

(2) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the NIST 1.02 standard film or standards provided by the manufacturer for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer. The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not state that any surface is free of lead-based paint unless the NIST 1.02 standard film is used for calibration.

(3) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection.

(4) If required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface, and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the

arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16. If the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not conduct substrate correction where required by the performance characteristics sheet, then the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that all of the readings are positive and shall not state that a surface is free of lead-based paint.

(5) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that all inconclusive readings are positive and classify them as such.

(6) The certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not resolve inconclusive readings, then the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the inconclusive readings are positive.

c. If lead-based paint is identified through an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection, the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a visual inspection to determine the presence of lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the play area or in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated.

d. No later than two weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection has been conducted and shall provide a copy of this report to the property owner and the occupant of the dwelling. The report shall include, at least:

- (1) A statement that the elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection was conducted to identify lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards in the residential dwelling;
- (2) Date of each elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection;
- (3) Address of building;
- (4) Date of construction;
- (5) Apartment numbers (if applicable);
- (6) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (7) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation;
- (8) Name, address, and telephone number of each laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples;
- (9) Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer;
- (10) XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated;
- (11) Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;
- (12) A statement that all painted or finished components that were not tested must be assumed to contain lead-based paint;
- (13) A description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, including the classification of each tested surface as to whether it is a lead-based paint hazard, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the play area or in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;

(14) A description of interim controls and lead abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;

(15) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and

(16) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

*e.* A certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a written record for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection has been conducted for no fewer than ten years. The record shall include, at least:

(1) A copy of the written report required by paragraph 70.6(3) "d."

(2) Blood lead test results for the elevated blood lead (EBL) child.

(3) A record of conversations held with the owners and occupants of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility prior to, during, and after the EBL inspection.

(4) Records of follow-up visits made to each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where lead-based paint hazards are identified to ensure that lead-based paint hazards are safely repaired.

**70.6(4)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct lead hazard screens according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, lead hazard screens shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* Background information regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to at least one child under the age of six years shall be collected.

*b.* A visual inspection of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility shall be conducted to determine if any deteriorated paint is present and to locate at least two dust sampling locations.

*c.* If deteriorated paint is present, each surface with deteriorated paint which is determined to have a distinct painting history must be tested for the presence of lead. In addition, friction surfaces where there is evidence of abrasion and impact surfaces that are damaged or otherwise deteriorated from impact and that have a distinct painting history shall be tested for the presence of lead.

*d.* In residential dwellings, a minimum of two composite or single-surface dust samples shall be collected. One sample shall be collected from the floors and the other from the interior windowsills in rooms, hallways, or stairwells where at least one child under the age of six years is most likely to come in contact with dust.

*e.* In multifamily dwellings and child-occupied facilities, single-surface or composite dust samples shall also be collected from common areas where at least one child under the age of six years is likely to come in contact with dust.

*f.* Dust samples shall be collected by wipe samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. The minimum area for a floor wipe sample shall be 0.50 square feet or 72 square inches. The minimum area for a windowsill wipe sample and for a window trough wipe sample shall be 0.25 square feet or 36 square inches. Dust samples shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory to determine the level of lead.

*g.* Soil samples shall be collected and analyzed for lead content in exterior play areas and dripline areas where bare soil is present. In addition, soil samples shall be collected and analyzed for lead content from any other areas of the yard where bare soil is present. Soil and paint samples shall be collected using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department and shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory to determine the level of lead.

*h.* Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in

guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the National Institute of Standards and Technology 1.02 milligrams of lead per square centimeter standard reference material or standards provided by the manufacturer for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection.

(4) If required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface, and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not conduct substrate correction where required by the performance characteristics sheet, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that all the readings are positive and shall not state that a surface is free of lead-based paint.

(5) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that all inconclusive readings are positive and classify them as such.

(6) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated



blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not resolve inconclusive readings by laboratory analysis, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the inconclusive readings are positive.

*i.* The following standards shall be used to determine whether a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility fails a lead hazard screen:

(1) A residential dwelling or child-occupied facility shall fail a lead hazard screen if any deteriorated paint or paint on friction or impact surfaces is found to be lead-based paint.

(2) A residential dwelling shall fail a lead hazard screen if any floor dust lead level in a single-surface or composite-surface dust sample is greater than or equal to 25 micrograms per square foot.

(3) A residential dwelling shall fail a lead hazard screen if any interior windowsill dust level in a single-surface or composite-surface dust sample is greater than or equal to 125 micrograms per square foot.

(4) A residential dwelling or child-occupied facility shall fail a lead hazard screen if any bare soil is found to be a soil-lead hazard.

*j.* When conducting a lead hazard screen in multifamily housing, a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may sample each residential dwelling or choose residential dwellings for sampling by random selection, targeted selection, or worst case selection.

(1) If built before 1960 or if the date of construction is unknown, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 20 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. If built from 1960 to 1977, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 10 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the number of residential dwellings to randomly select for testing.

(2) If the multifamily housing contains five or more similar residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may use targeted selection. If using targeted selection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 2 to determine the number of residential dwellings to test. If the multifamily housing has fewer than five similar dwellings, all residential dwellings shall be tested. Residential dwellings chosen by targeted selection shall meet as many of the following criteria as possible:

1. The residential dwelling has been cited with a housing or building code violation within the past year.

2. The property owner believes that the residential dwelling is in poor condition.

3. The residential dwelling contains two or more children between the ages of six months and six years. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall give preference to residential dwellings that house the largest number of children.

4. The residential dwelling serves as a day care facility.

5. The residential dwelling has been prepared for reoccupancy within the past three months.

If additional residential dwellings are needed to meet the minimum number specified in Table 2, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall select them randomly. If too many residential dwellings meet the criteria, residential dwellings shall be eliminated randomly.

Table 2  
Minimum Number of Residential Dwellings in Multifamily Housing for Risk Assessment  
or Lead Hazard Screen Through Targeted Selection

Number of Similar Residential Dwellings	Number of Residential Dwellings to Sample*
1-4	All
5-20	4 residential dwellings or 50% (whichever is greater)**
21-75	10 residential dwellings or 20% (whichever is greater)**
76-125	17
126-175	19
176-225	20
226-300	21
301-400	22
401-500	23
501+	24 + 1 residential dwelling for each additional increment of 100 residential dwellings or less

\*Does not include residential dwellings housing children with elevated blood lead levels.

\*\*For percentages, round up to determine number of residential dwellings to be sampled.

*k.* If the multifamily housing contains five or more similar residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may use worst case selection. If using worst case selection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 2 to determine the number of residential dwellings to test. If the multifamily housing has fewer than five similar dwellings, all residential dwellings shall be tested.

*l.* The following standards shall be used to determine whether multifamily housing fails a lead hazard screen:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean of the dust lead levels for carpeted floors, uncarpeted floors, and interior windowsills. If the arithmetic mean for carpeted floors or uncarpeted floors is greater than or equal to 25 micrograms per square foot, the multifamily housing shall fail the lead hazard screen. If the arithmetic mean for interior windowsills is greater than or equal to 125 micrograms per square foot, the multifamily housing shall fail the lead hazard screen. If the arithmetic mean for carpeted floors or uncarpeted floors is less than 25 micrograms per square foot, but some of the samples have dust lead levels that are greater than or equal to 25 micrograms per square foot, then the residential dwellings where these samples were taken and all other similar residential dwellings in the multifamily housing shall fail the lead hazard screen. If the arithmetic mean for interior windowsills is less than 125 micrograms per square foot, but some of the samples have dust lead levels that are greater than or equal to 125 micrograms per square foot, then the residential dwellings where these samples were taken and all other similar residential dwellings in the multifamily housing shall fail the lead hazard screen.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall evaluate the results of paint sampling by component and location. If all components at a given location are determined to be painted with lead-based paint or are determined to not be painted with lead-based paint, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume this condition is true for all similar residential dwellings. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not assume that the multifamily housing is free of lead-based paint. If a component at a given location is found to be painted with lead-based paint in some residential dwellings and not painted with lead-based paint in other residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the component is a lead-based paint hazard in all similar residential dwellings. If a component in a residential dwelling is determined or assumed to be

lead-based paint, then the entire group of similar residential dwellings in the multifamily housing shall fail the lead hazard screen.

(3) Multifamily housing shall fail a lead hazard screen if any bare soil is found to be a soil-lead hazard.

*m.* A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where a lead hazard screen is conducted. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the lead hazard screen, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of each written report for no less than three years. The report shall include, at least:

- (1) Date of each lead hazard screen.
- (2) Address of building.
- (3) Date of construction.
- (4) Apartment numbers (if applicable).
- (5) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility.
- (6) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation.
- (7) Name, address, and telephone number of each recognized laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples, including the identification number for each such laboratory recognized by EPA under Section 405(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2685(b)).
- (8) Results of the visual inspection.
- (9) Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer.
- (10) If used, XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated.
- (11) Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component tested expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used.
- (12) All results of laboratory analysis of collected paint, dust, and soil samples. The results of dust sampling shall be reported in micrograms of lead per square foot, and the results of soil sampling shall be reported in parts per million of lead. Results shall not be reported as "not detectable."
- (13) Any other sampling results;
- (14) A statement that all painted or finished components that were not tested must be assumed to contain lead-based paint.
- (15) Background information collected regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to at least one child under the age of six years.
- (16) Whether the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility passed or failed the lead hazard screen and recommendations, if warranted, for a follow-up lead inspection or risk assessment, and, as appropriate, any further actions.
- (17) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745.
- (18) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(5)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct risk assessments according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000,

risk assessments shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* Background information regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to at least one child under the age of six years shall be collected.

*b.* A visual inspection for risk assessment shall be undertaken to locate the existence of deteriorated paint and other potential lead hazards and to assess the extent and causes of the paint deterioration.

*c.* If deteriorated paint is present, each surface with deteriorated paint which is determined to have a distinct painting history must be tested for the presence of lead.

*d.* Friction surfaces where there is evidence of abrasion and impact surfaces that are damaged or otherwise deteriorated from impact and that have a distinct painting history shall be tested for the presence of lead.

*e.* In residential dwellings, dust samples shall be collected from the interior windowsill, window trough, and floor in all living areas where at least one child is most likely to come in contact with dust. Dust samples shall be analyzed for lead concentration and may be either composite or single-surface samples.

*f.* In multifamily dwellings, dust samples shall also be collected from interior windowsills, window troughs, and floors in common areas adjacent to the sampled residential dwellings or child-occupied facility and in other common areas where the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor determines that at least one child under the age of six years is likely to come in contact with dust. Dust samples shall be analyzed for lead concentration and may be either composite or single-surface samples.

*g.* In child-occupied facilities, dust samples shall be collected from the interior windowsill, window trough, and floor in each room, hallway, or stairwell utilized by one or more children under the age of six years and in other common areas where the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor determines that at least one child under the age of six years is likely to come in contact with dust. Dust samples shall be analyzed for lead concentration and may be either composite or single-surface samples.

*h.* Soil samples shall be collected and analyzed for lead content in exterior play areas and dripline areas where bare soil is present. In addition, soil samples shall be collected and analyzed for lead content from any other areas of the yard where bare soil is present.

*i.* Dust samples shall be collected by wipe samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. The minimum area for a floor wipe sample shall be 0.50 square feet. The minimum area for a windowsill wipe sample and for a window trough wipe sample shall be 0.25 square feet. Soil and paint samples shall be collected using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. Dust and soil samples shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory to determine the level of lead. The results of dust sampling shall be reported in micrograms of lead per square foot, and the results of soil sampling shall be reported in parts per million of lead. The results shall not be reported as "not detectable."

*j.* Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the NIST 1.02 standard film material or standards provided by the manufacturer for calibration

of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not state that any surface is free of lead-based paint unless the NIST 1.02 standard film is used for calibration.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection.

(4) If required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface, and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not conduct substrate correction where required by the performance characteristics sheet, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that all of the readings are positive and shall not state that a surface is free of lead-based paint.

(5) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that all inconclusive readings are positive and classify them as such.

(6) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not resolve inconclusive readings by laboratory analysis, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the inconclusive readings are positive.

*k.* When conducting a risk assessment in multifamily housing, a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may sample each residential dwelling or choose residential dwellings for sampling by random selection, targeted selection, or worst case selection.

(1) If built before 1960 or if the date of construction is unknown, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 20 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. If built from 1960 to 1977, the multifamily housing shall contain at least 10 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings in order to use random selection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the number of residential dwellings to randomly select for testing.

(2) If the multifamily housing contains five or more similar residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may use targeted selection. If using targeted selection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 2 to determine the number of residential dwellings to test. If the multifamily housing has fewer than five similar dwellings, all residential dwellings shall be tested. Residential dwellings chosen by targeted selection shall meet as many of the following criteria as possible. If additional residential dwellings are needed to meet the minimum number specified in Table 2, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall select them randomly. If too many residential dwellings meet the criteria, residential dwellings shall be eliminated randomly. Targeted selection criteria are as follows:

1. The residential dwelling has been cited with a housing or building code violation within the past year.
2. The property owner believes that the residential dwelling is in poor condition.
3. The residential dwelling contains two or more children between the ages of six months and six years. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall give preference to residential dwellings that house the largest number of children.
4. The residential dwelling serves as a day care facility.
5. The residential dwelling has been prepared for reoccupancy within the past three months.

(3) If the multifamily housing contains five or more similar residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may use worst case selection. If using worst case selection, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 2 to determine the number of residential dwellings to test. If the multifamily housing has fewer than five similar dwellings, all residential dwellings shall be tested.

(4) The following standards shall be used to determine the extent of lead-based paint hazards throughout multifamily housing that is sampled by random selection, targeted selection, or worst case selection:

1. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean of the dust lead levels for carpeted floors, uncarpeted floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs. If the arithmetic mean is greater than or equal to the level defined as a dust lead hazard for the component, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall determine that a dust lead hazard has been identified on the component throughout the multifamily housing. If the arithmetic mean is less than the level defined as a dust lead hazard for the component, but some of the individual components have dust lead levels that are greater than or equal to the level defined as a dust lead hazard, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall determine that a dust lead hazard has been identified on the individual components and on all other similar components throughout the multifamily housing.

2. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall evaluate the results of paint sampling by component and location. If all components at a given location are determined to be painted with lead-based paint or are determined to not be painted with lead-based paint, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume this condition is true for all similar residential dwellings. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not assume that the multifamily housing is free of lead-based paint. If a component at a given location is found to be painted with lead-based paint in some residential dwellings and not painted with lead-based paint in other residential dwellings, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL)

inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the component is a lead-based paint hazard in all similar residential dwellings.

*l.* A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where a risk assessment is conducted. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the risk assessment, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of the report for no less than three years. The report shall include, at least:

- (1) Date of each risk assessment;
- (2) Address of building;
- (3) Date of construction;
- (4) Apartment numbers (if applicable);
- (5) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (6) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the investigation;
- (7) Name, address, and telephone number of each recognized laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples, including the identification number for each such laboratory recognized by EPA under Section 405(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2685(b));
- (8) Results of the visual inspection;
- (9) Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer;
- (10) If used, XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated;
- (11) Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component tested expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;
- (12) All results of laboratory analysis of collected paint, dust, and soil samples;
- (13) Any other sampling results;
- (14) A statement that all painted or finished components that were not tested must be assumed to contain lead-based paint;
- (15) Background information collected regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to at least one child under the age of six years;
- (16) To the extent that they are used as part of the lead-based paint hazard determination, the results of any previous inspections or analyses for the presence of lead-based paint, or other assessments of lead-based paint hazards;
- (17) A description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the play area or in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;
- (18) A description of interim controls and lead abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;
- (19) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and
- (20) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(6)** A certified lead abatement contractor or certified lead abatement worker must conduct lead abatement according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, lead abatement shall be conducted only by a certified lead abatement contractor or a certified lead abatement worker.

*a.* A certified lead abatement contractor must be on site during all work site preparation and during the postabatement cleanup of work areas. At all other times when lead abatement is being conducted, the certified lead abatement contractor shall be on site or available by telephone, pager, or answering service, and be able to be present at the work site in no more than two hours.

*b.* A certified lead abatement contractor shall ensure that lead abatement is conducted according to all federal, state, and local requirements.

*c.* A certified lead abatement contractor shall notify the department in writing at least seven days prior to the commencement of lead abatement in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. The notification shall include the following information:

- (1) The address, including apartment numbers, where lead abatement will be conducted.
- (2) The dates when lead abatement will be conducted.
- (3) The name, address, telephone number, Iowa certification number, and signature of the contact for the certified firm that will conduct the work.
- (4) The name, address, telephone number, Iowa certification number, and signature of the certified lead abatement contractor who will serve as the contact person for the project.
- (5) The name, address, and telephone number of the property owner.
- (6) Whether the dwelling is owner-occupied or a rental dwelling.
- (7) If the dwelling is an occupied rental, the names of the occupants.
- (8) The approximate year that the dwelling was built.
- (9) A brief description of the lead abatement work to be done.

*d.* A certified lead abatement contractor shall submit a revised notification to the department if any information in the original notification changes.

*e.* A certified lead abatement contractor or a certified project designer shall develop an occupant protection plan for all lead abatement projects prior to starting lead abatement and shall implement the occupant protection plan during the lead abatement project. The occupant protection plan shall be unique to each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. The occupant protection plan shall describe the measures and management procedures that will be taken during the lead abatement to protect the building occupants from exposure to any lead-based paint hazards.

*f.* Approved methods must be used to conduct lead abatement and prohibited work practices must not be used to conduct lead abatement. The following are prohibited work practices:

- (1) Open-flame burning or torching of lead-based paint.
- (2) Machine sanding or grinding or abrasive blasting or sandblasting of lead-based paint unless used with High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) exhaust control that removes particles of 0.3 microns or larger from the air at 99.97 percent or greater efficiency.
- (3) Uncontained water blasting of lead-based paint.
- (4) Dry scraping or dry sanding of lead-based paint except in conjunction with the use of a heat gun or around electrical outlets.
- (5) Operating a heat gun at a temperature at or above 1100 degrees Fahrenheit.

*g.* Soil abatement shall be conducted using one of the following methods:

- (1) If soil is removed, soil that is a soil-lead hazard shall be replaced by soil with a lead concentration as close to the local background as practicable, but less than 400 parts per million. The soil that is removed shall not be used as topsoil at another residential property or child-occupied facility.
- (2) If soil is not removed, the soil that is a soil-lead hazard shall be remediated to meet the definition of "permanently covered soil."

*h.* If lead-based paint is removed from a surface, the surface shall be repainted or refinished prior to postabatement clearance dust sampling. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall visually verify that lead-based paint was removed from a surface prior to repainting or refinishing.



*i.* If components painted with lead-based paint are removed, the replacement components shall be installed prior to postabatement clearance testing.

*j.* Postabatement clearance procedures shall be conducted by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. Postabatement clearance testing shall be performed by persons or entities independent of those performing lead abatement, unless the designated party uses qualified in-house employees to conduct postabatement clearance testing. An in-house employee shall not conduct both lead abatement and the postabatement clearance testing for this work. Postabatement clearance testing shall be conducted using the following procedures:

(1) Following a lead abatement, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall review the report of the lead inspection, risk assessment, or visual assessment done prior to the lead abatement project and the lead abatement specifications to determine the lead-based paint hazards that were to be abated by the lead abatement project. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall perform a visual inspection to determine if all lead-based paint hazards that were to be abated have been abated and to determine if deteriorated paint surfaces or visible amounts of dust, debris, or residue are still present in the rooms where lead abatement was conducted. If lead-based paint hazards that were to be abated by the project or deteriorated paint surfaces or visible amounts of dust, debris, or residue are present in the rooms where lead abatement was conducted, these conditions must be eliminated prior to the continuation of the clearance procedures. However, elimination of deteriorated paint is not required if it has been determined through paint testing or a lead-based paint inspection that the deteriorated paint is not lead-based paint. Following an exterior lead abatement, a visual inspection shall be conducted to determine if all lead-based paint hazards that were to be abated have been abated and to determine if any visible dust or debris remains on any horizontal surfaces in the outdoor living areas close to the abated surface. In addition, a visual inspection shall be conducted to determine the presence of paint chips on the dripline or next to the foundation below any exterior surface that was abated. If lead-based paint hazards that were to be abated by the project are still present, these conditions must be eliminated prior to the continuation of the clearance procedures. If visible dust, debris, or paint chips are present, they must be removed from the site and properly disposed of according to all applicable federal, state, and local standards.

(2) Following the visual inspection and any required postabatement cleanup, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct clearance sampling for lead in dust. Clearance sampling may be conducted by employing single-surface sampling or composite dust sampling.

(3) Dust samples shall be collected a minimum of one hour after the completion of final postabatement cleanup activities.

(4) Dust samples shall be collected by wipe samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. The minimum area for a floor wipe sample shall be 0.50 square feet or 72 square inches. The minimum area for a windowsill wipe sample and for a window trough wipe sample shall be 0.25 square feet or 36 square inches. Dust samples shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory to determine the level of lead.

(5) The following postabatement clearance activities shall be conducted as appropriate based upon the extent or manner of lead abatement activities conducted in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility:

1. After conducting a lead abatement with containment between abated and unabated areas, three dust samples shall be taken from each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area. Dust samples shall be taken from one interior windowsill and from one window trough (if available), and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area. In addition, one dust sample shall be taken from the floor outside of each individual containment area. If there are fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area, then all rooms, hallways, and stairwells shall be sampled.

2. After conducting a lead abatement with no containment between abated and unabated areas, three dust samples shall be taken from each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells in the

residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. Dust samples shall be taken from one interior windowsill and from one window trough (if available), and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of each room, hallway, or stairwell selected. If there are fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility, then all rooms, hallways, and stairwells shall be sampled.

3. The certified lead abatement contractors and certified lead abatement workers who abate or clean the dwellings shall not have any knowledge of which rooms or surfaces will be selected for the dust samples.

(6) Reserved.

(7) (7) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall compare the residual lead level as determined by the laboratory analysis from each single-surface dust sample with applicable single-surface clearance levels for lead in dust on floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs. If the residual lead level in a single-surface dust sample is greater than or equal to the applicable clearance level for a floor, interior windowsill, or window trough, then the failed component in each room with a failed single-surface dust sample and that type of component in each room that was not tested shall be recleaned. Additional clearance samples shall be taken from the failed component in each room where it failed and from enough additional rooms that were not previously tested so that four rooms are sampled. If four rooms are not available, then each available room shall be retested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall evaluate the results of this testing to determine if the recleaned components meet the clearance level. The components must be recleaned and retested until the clearance level is met.

(8) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall compare the residual lead level as determined by the laboratory analysis from each composite dust sample with applicable single-surface clearance levels for lead in dust on floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs divided by half the number of subsamples in the composite sample. If the residual lead level in a composite dust sample is greater than or equal to the applicable clearance level divided by half the number of subsamples in the composite sample, then all the components represented by the failed composite dust sample shall be recleaned and retested until clearance levels are met.

*k.* In multifamily housing consisting of at least 20 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings, random selection for the purpose of clearance testing may be conducted if the following conditions are met:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall randomly select the residential dwellings that will be sampled. The certified lead abatement contractors and certified lead abatement workers who abate or clean the dwellings do not know which residential dwellings will be selected for the random selection or which rooms or surfaces will be selected for the dust samples.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the minimum number of residential dwellings selected for dust sampling. This shall provide a 95 percent level of confidence that no more than 5 percent or 50 of the residential dwellings (whichever is smaller) in the randomly sampled population are greater than or equal to the appropriate clearance levels.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall sample the randomly selected residential dwellings and evaluate them for clearance according to the procedures found in paragraphs 70.6(6) "h" through "j."

*l.* No later than three weeks after the property passes clearance, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a report to the lead abatement contractor that contains the items required by subparagraphs 70.6(6) "m"(7) through (9).

*m.* The certified lead abatement contractor or a certified project designer shall prepare a lead abatement report containing the following information:

- (1) A copy of the original and any revised lead abatement notifications.
- (2) Starting and completion dates of the lead abatement project.

- (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the property owner(s).
  - (4) The name, address, and signature of the certified lead abatement contractor and certified lead abatement worker and of the certified firm contact for the firm conducting the lead abatement.
  - (5) Whether or not containment was used and, if containment was used, the locations of the containment.
  - (6) The occupant protection plan required by paragraph 70.6(6) "e."
  - (7) The name, address, and signature of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting clearance sampling, the date on which the clearance testing was conducted, the results of the visual inspection for the presence of lead hazards that were not abated as specified, deteriorated paint and visible dust, debris, residue, or paint chips in the interior rooms and exterior areas where lead abatement was conducted, and the results of all postabatement clearance testing and all soil analyses, if applicable. The results of dust sampling shall be reported in micrograms of lead per square foot by location of sample, and the results of soil sampling shall be reported in parts per million of lead. The results shall not be reported as "not detectable." If random selection was used to select the residential dwellings that were sampled, the report shall state that random selection was used, the number of residential dwellings that were sampled, and how this number was determined.
  - (8) A statement that the lead abatement was or was not done as specified and that the rooms and exterior areas where lead abatement was conducted did or did not pass the visual clearance and the clearance dust testing. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the clearance testing cannot verify that all lead-based paint hazards have been abated, the report shall contain the following statement:

"The purpose of this clearance report is to verify that the lead abatement project was done according to the project specifications. This residential dwelling may still contain hazardous lead-based paint, soil-lead hazards, or dust-lead hazards in the rooms or exterior areas that were not included in the lead abatement project."
  - (9) The name, address, and telephone number of each recognized laboratory conducting an analysis of clearance samples and soil samples, including the identification number for each such laboratory recognized by EPA under Section 405(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2685(b)).
  - (10) A detailed written description of the lead abatement project, including lead abatement methods used, locations of rooms and components where lead abatement occurred, reasons for selecting particular lead abatement methods, and any suggested monitoring of encapsulants or enclosures.
  - (11) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745.
  - (12) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.
  - (13) If applicable, a copy of the written consent or waiver required by subrule 70.6(11).
    - n.* The lead abatement report shall be completed no later than 30 days after the lead abatement project passes clearance testing.
    - o.* The certified lead abatement contractor shall maintain all reports and plans required in this subrule for a minimum of three years.
    - p.* The certified lead abatement contractor shall provide a copy of all reports required by this subrule to the building owner and to the person who contracted for the lead abatement, if different.
- 70.6(7)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician must conduct visual risk assessments according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, visual risk assessments shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician.
- a.* Background information regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to at least one child under the age of six years shall be collected.

b. A visual inspection for risk assessment shall be undertaken to locate the existence of deteriorated paint and other potential lead-based paint hazards and to assess the extent and causes of the paint deterioration. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall assess each component in each room, including each exterior side. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall identify the following conditions as potential lead-based paint hazards:

- (1) All interior and exterior surfaces with deteriorated paint.
- (2) Horizontal hard surfaces, including but not limited to floors and windowsills, that are not smooth or cleanable.
- (3) Dust-generating conditions, including but not limited to conditions causing rubbing, binding, or crushing of surfaces known or presumed to be coated with lead-based paint.
- (4) Bare soil in the play area and dripline of the home.

c. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where a visual risk assessment is conducted. No later than three weeks after completing the visual risk assessment, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the visual risk assessment, if different. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall maintain a copy of the report for no less than three years. The report shall include, at least:

- (1) Date of each visual risk assessment;
- (2) Address of building;
- (3) Date of construction;
- (4) Apartment numbers (if applicable);
- (5) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (6) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified sampling technician, certified lead inspector/risk assessor, or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the visual risk assessment;
- (7) A statement that all painted or finished components must be assumed to contain lead-based paint;
- (8) Specific locations of painted or finished components identified as likely to contain lead-based paint and likely to be lead-based paint hazards;
- (9) Specific locations of bare soil in the play area and the dripline of a home;
- (10) Information for the owner and occupants on how to reduce lead hazards in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (11) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and
- (12) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(8)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician must conduct clearance testing according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, clearance testing following lead abatement shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. Beginning September 15, 2000, clearance testing after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, and rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340 shall be conducted only by certified sampling technicians, certified lead inspector/risk assessors, or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors.

a. Clearance testing following lead abatement shall be conducted according to paragraphs 70.6(6) "h" through "l."

b. Clearance testing after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, and rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340 shall be conducted according to the following standards:

(1) A certified sampling technician shall perform clearance testing only for a single-family property or for individual residential dwellings and associated common areas in multifamily housing. A certified sampling technician shall not perform clearance testing using random selection of residential dwellings or common areas in multifamily housing.

(2) A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall review the report of the lead inspection, risk assessment, or visual assessment done prior to interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 and the project specifications to determine the lead-based paint hazards that were to be controlled by the project. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall perform a visual inspection to determine if all lead-based paint hazards that were to be controlled by the project have been controlled and to determine if deteriorated paint surfaces or visible amounts of dust, debris, or residue are still present in the rooms where interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation were conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35. If lead-based paint hazards that were to be controlled by the project, deteriorated paint surfaces or visible amounts of dust, debris, or residue are present in these rooms, these conditions must be eliminated prior to the continuation of the clearance testing. However, elimination of deteriorated paint is not required if it has been determined through a lead-based paint inspection that the deteriorated paint is not lead-based paint. If exterior painted surfaces have been disturbed by the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35, the visual inspection shall include an assessment to determine if all exterior lead-based paint hazards that were to be controlled by the project have been controlled and to determine if any visible dust or debris remains on any horizontal surfaces in the outdoor living areas close to the affected exterior painted surfaces. In addition, a visual inspection shall be conducted to determine if paint chips are present on the dripline or next to the foundation below any exterior painted surface that was treated. If lead-based paint hazards that were to be controlled by the project are still present, these conditions must be eliminated prior to the continuation of the clearance procedures. If visible dust, debris, or paint chips are present, they must be removed from the site and properly disposed of according to all applicable federal, state, and local standards.

(3) Following the visual inspection and any required cleanup, clearance sampling for lead in dust shall be conducted. Clearance sampling may be conducted by employing single-surface sampling or composite dust sampling.

(4) Dust samples shall be collected a minimum of one hour after the completion of final cleanup activities.

(5) Dust samples shall be collected by wipe samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. The minimum area for a floor wipe sample shall be 0.50 square feet or 72 square inches. The minimum area for a windowsill wipe sample and for a window trough wipe sample shall be 0.25 square feet or 36 square inches. Dust samples shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory to determine the level of lead.

(6) The following clearance activities shall be conducted as appropriate based upon the extent or manner of interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility:

1. After conducting interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35, with containment between treated and untreated areas, three dust samples shall be taken from each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area. Dust samples shall be taken from one interior windowsill and

from one window trough (if available), and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area. In addition, one dust sample shall be taken from the floor outside of each individual containment area. If there are fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells within the containment area, then all rooms, hallways, and stairwells shall be sampled.

2. After conducting interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35, with no containment between treated and untreated areas, three dust samples shall be taken from each of no fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. Dust samples shall be taken from one interior windowsill and window trough (if available), and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of each room, hallway, or stairwell selected. If there are fewer than four rooms, hallways, or stairwells in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility, then all rooms, hallways, and stairwells shall be sampled.

(7) The contractors conducting the work or cleaning the dwellings shall not know which rooms or surfaces will be selected for the dust samples.

(8) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall compare the residual lead level as determined by the laboratory analysis from each single-surface dust sample with applicable single-surface clearance levels for lead in dust on floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs. If the residual lead level in a single-surface dust sample is greater than or equal to the applicable clearance level for a floor, interior windowsill, or window trough, then the failed component in each room with a failed single-surface dust sample and that type of component in each room that was not tested shall be recleaned. Additional clearance samples shall be taken from the failed component in each room where it failed and from enough additional rooms that were not previously tested so that four rooms are sampled. If four rooms are not available, then each available room shall be retested. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall evaluate the results of this testing to determine if the recleaned components meet the clearance level. The components must be recleaned and retested until the clearance level is met.

(9) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall compare the residual lead level as determined by the laboratory analysis from each composite dust sample with applicable single-surface clearance levels for lead in dust on floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs divided by half the number of subsamples in the composite sample. If the residual lead level in a composite dust sample is greater than or equal to the applicable clearance level divided by half the number of subsamples in the composite sample, then all the components represented by the failed composite dust sample shall be recleaned and retested until clearance levels are met.

c. In multifamily housing consisting of at least 20 similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings, random selection for the purpose of clearance testing may be conducted if the following conditions are met:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall randomly select the dwellings that will be sampled. The contractors and the workers who conducted the lead abatement, interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation do not know which residential dwellings will be selected for the random selection.

(2) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use Table 1 to determine the minimum number of dwellings selected for dust sampling. This shall provide a 95 percent level of confidence that no more than 5 percent or 50 of the residential dwellings (whichever is smaller) in the randomly sampled population are greater than or equal to the appropriate clearance levels.

(3) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall sample the randomly selected residential dwellings and evaluate them for clearance according to the procedures found in paragraphs 70.6(6)“h” through “j.”

(4) The clearance testing is conducted by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*d.* A clearance report must be prepared that provides documentation of the lead abatement, interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 as well as the clearance testing. When lead abatement is performed, the report shall be a lead abatement report in accordance with paragraph 70.7(6)“*m.*” When interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 are performed, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where clearance testing is conducted. No later than 30 days after the property passes clearance, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the clearance testing, if different. The clearance report shall include the following information:

(1) The address of the residential property and, if only part of a multifamily property is affected, the specific dwelling units and common areas affected.

(2) The following information regarding the clearance testing:

1. The date(s) of the clearance testing.

2. The name, address, and signature of each certified lead professional performing the clearance examination, including the certification number.

3. Whether or not containment was used and, if containment was used, the locations of the containment.

4. If random selection was used to select the residential dwellings that were sampled, the report shall state that random selection was used, the number of residential dwellings that were sampled, and how this number was determined.

5. The results of the visual inspection for the presence of deteriorated paint and visible dust, debris, residue, or paint chips in the rooms where interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation were conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35.

6. The results of the analysis of dust samples, in micrograms per square foot, by location of sample. The results shall not be reported as “not detectable.”

7. A statement that the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation conducted pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 were or were not done as specified and that the rooms and exterior areas where these activities were conducted did or did not pass the visual clearance and the clearance dust testing. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or certified sampling technician conducting the clearance testing cannot verify that all lead-based paint hazards have been controlled, the report shall contain the following statement:

“The purpose of this clearance report is to verify that this lead hazard control project was done according to the project specifications. This residential dwelling may still contain hazardous lead-based paint, soil-lead hazards, or dust-lead hazards in the rooms or exterior areas that were not included in the lead hazard control project.”

8. The name, address, and telephone number of each recognized laboratory conducting an analysis of the dust samples, including the identification number for each such laboratory recognized by EPA under Section 405(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2685(b)).

(3) The following information on the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation for which clearance testing was performed:

1. The start and completion dates of the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation.

2. The name and address of each firm or organization conducting the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation and the name of each supervisor assigned.

3. A detailed written description of the interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation, including the methods used, locations of exterior surfaces, interior rooms, common areas, and components where the hazard reduction activity occurred.

4. If interim control of soil hazards was conducted, a detailed description of the location(s) of the interim controls and the method(s) used.

5. Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745.

6. Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

*e.* A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor or a certified sampling technician shall maintain a copy of the clearance testing information included in the lead abatement report specified in paragraph 70.6(6) "m" for no fewer than three years. A certified lead inspector/risk assessor, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor, or a certified sampling technician shall maintain a copy of the clearance testing report specified in paragraph 70.6(8) "d" for no fewer than three years.

*f.* Clearance testing shall be performed by persons or entities independent of those performing lead abatement, interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation, unless the designated party uses qualified in-house employees to conduct clearance testing. An in-house employee shall not conduct both lead abatement, interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, or rehabilitation and the clearance examination for this work.

**70.6(9)** A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct paint testing pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 according to the following standards. Beginning March 1, 2000, paint testing pursuant to 24 CFR Part 35 shall be conducted only by a certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor.

*a.* When conducting paint testing in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following procedures:

(1) The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall test paint on each deteriorated paint surface and on each painted surface that will be disturbed or replaced. On windows, the window frame, interior windowsill, window sash, and window trough shall each be tested.

(2) Paint shall be tested using adequate quality control by X-ray fluorescence or by laboratory analysis using a recognized laboratory to determine the presence of lead-based paint on a surface. If testing by laboratory analysis, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect paint samples using the documented methodologies specified in guidance documents issued by the department. If testing by X-ray fluorescence, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the following methodologies:

1. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use an X-ray fluorescence analyzer that has a performance characteristics sheet and shall use the X-ray fluorescence analyzer according to the performance characteristics sheet.

2. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall use the NIST 1.02 standard film or standards provided by the manufacturer for calibration of the X-ray fluorescence analyzer. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not state that any surface is free of lead-based paint unless the NIST 1.02 standard film is used for calibration.

3. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall take calibration readings consisting of an average of three readings at the beginning of the inspection.



4. If required by the performance characteristics sheet, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall conduct substrate correction for all XRF readings less than 4.0 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each substrate that requires substrate correction, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall completely remove all paint from an area of two different testing combinations for that substrate. If possible, the areas chosen for substrate correction should have initial XRF readings of less than 2.5 milligrams of lead per square centimeter. For each testing combination, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall remove paint from an area that is at least as large as the XRF probe faceplate. On each of the two areas, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall place the NIST 1.02 standard film over the surface, and take three XRF readings with the XRF used to conduct the inspection. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall calculate the arithmetic mean for these six readings and shall subtract 1.02 from this arithmetic mean to obtain the substrate correction value. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall then subtract the substrate correction value from each XRF reading for the substrate requiring substrate correction to obtain the corrected XRF reading. For example, if the six readings taken on the NIST 1.02 standard film were 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.0, 1.2, and 1.1, the arithmetic mean is calculated by the equation  $(1.1 + 1.3 + 1.4 + 1.0 + 1.2 + 1.1)/6$  and is equal to 1.18. The substrate correction value is equal to 1.18 minus 1.02, or 0.16. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not conduct substrate correction where required by the performance characteristics sheet, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that all of the readings are positive and shall not state that a surface is free of lead-based paint.

5. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall classify each XRF reading that did not require substrate correction and each corrected XRF reading for XRF readings that required substrate correction as positive, negative, or inconclusive, according to the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall not discard XRF readings unless instructed to do so by the performance characteristics sheet or the operating instructions from the manufacturer. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor believes that a reading classified as positive is in error, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall collect a paint sample for laboratory analysis. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall change the positive classification to negative only if the results of the laboratory analysis indicate that the surface is not painted with lead-based paint. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor may assume that all inconclusive readings are positive and classify them as such.

6. The certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall resolve inconclusive readings as defined by the performance characteristics sheet for the XRF by collecting paint samples for laboratory analysis. If the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor does not resolve inconclusive readings by laboratory analysis, then the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall assume that the inconclusive readings are positive.

*b.* If lead-based paint is identified through paint testing, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor must conduct a visual inspection to determine the presence of lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated.

*c.* A certified lead inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall prepare a written report for each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility where paint testing is conducted. No later than three weeks after the receipt of laboratory results, the certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall send a copy of the report to the property owner and to the person requesting the inspection, if different. A certified lead

inspector/risk assessor or a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor shall maintain a copy of each written report for no less than three years. The report shall include, at least:

- (1) A statement that the inspection was conducted to determine whether lead-based paint is present on deteriorated paint surfaces and on painted surfaces that will be disturbed or replaced;
- (2) Date of the testing;
- (3) Address of building;
- (4) Date of construction;
- (5) Apartment numbers (if applicable);
- (6) The name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility;
- (7) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified lead inspector/risk assessor or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor conducting the paint testing;
- (8) Name, address, and telephone number of each laboratory conducting an analysis of collected samples;
- (9) Each testing method and sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the manufacturer, serial number, software, and operating mode of any X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzer;
- (10) XRF readings taken for calibration and calculations to demonstrate that the XRF is properly calibrated;
- (11) Specific locations by room of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint and the results for each component expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used;
- (12) A statement that all painted or finished components that were not tested must be assumed to contain lead-based paint;
- (13) A description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards, including the classification of each tested surface as to whether it is a lead-based paint hazard, and any other potential lead hazards, including bare soil in the dripline of a home where lead-based paint is identified on exterior components or lead-based paint previously existed on exterior components, but has been removed, enclosed, or encapsulated;
- (14) A description of interim controls and lead abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure;
- (15) Information regarding the owner's obligations to disclose known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards upon sale or lease of residential property as required by Subpart H of 24 CFR Part 35 and Subpart I of 40 CFR Part 745; and
- (16) Information about the notification regarding lead-based paint prior to renovation, remodeling, or repainting as required by 641—Chapter 69.

**70.6(10)** A certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency shall maintain for a period of at least 10 years the written records for all elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections conducted by persons that the agency employs or contracts with to provide elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections in the agency's service area.

**70.6(11)** A person may be certified as a lead inspector/risk assessor, sampling technician, or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor and as a lead abatement contractor or lead abatement worker. Except as specified by paragraph 70.6(6) "j" and paragraph 70.6(8) "f," a person who is certified both as a lead inspector/risk assessor, sampling technician, or elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor and as a lead abatement contractor or lead abatement worker shall not provide both lead inspection or visual risk assessment and lead abatement services at the same site unless a written consent or waiver, following full disclosure by the person, is obtained from the owner or manager of the site.

**70.6(12)** Any paint chip, dust, or soil samples collected pursuant to the work practice standards contained in subrules 70.6(1) to 70.6(6) and 70.6(9) shall be collected by persons certified as a lead inspector/risk assessor or an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. Any paint chip, dust, or soil samples collected pursuant to the work practice standards contained in subrule 70.6(8) for clearance

testing following lead abatement shall be collected by persons certified as a lead inspector/risk assessor or an elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor. Any dust or soil samples collected pursuant to the work practice standards contained in subrule 70.6(8) for clearance testing after interim controls, paint stabilization, standard treatments, ongoing lead-based paint maintenance, and rehabilitation pursuant to 24 CFR 35.1340 shall be collected only by certified sampling technicians, certified lead inspector/risk assessors, or certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors. Any paint chip, dust, or soil samples collected pursuant to the work practice standards contained in 641—70.6(135) shall be analyzed by a recognized laboratory.

**70.6(13)** Composite dust sampling shall be conducted only in the situations specified in subrules 70.6(4) to 70.6(6) and 70.6(8). If composite sampling is conducted, it shall meet the following requirements:

- a. Composite dust samples shall consist of at least two subsamples.
- b. Every component that is being tested shall be included in the sampling.
- c. Composite dust samples shall not consist of subsamples from more than one type of component.
- d. The results of composite dust samples shall be evaluated by comparing the residual lead level as determined by the laboratory analysis from each composite dust sample with applicable single-surface dust-lead hazard or clearance levels for lead in dust on floors, interior windowsills, and window troughs divided by half the number of subsamples in the composite sample.

**641—70.7(135) Firms.** All firms that perform or offer to perform lead-based paint activities after September 15, 2000, must be certified by the department. Firms shall employ only appropriately certified employees to conduct lead-based paint activities, and the firm and its employees shall follow the work practice standards in 641—70.6(135) for conducting lead-based paint activities.

**70.7(1)** A firm wishing to be certified shall apply on forms supplied by the department. The firm must submit:

- a. A completed application form.
- b. Documentation that the firm will employ only appropriately certified lead professionals to perform lead-based paint activities. In addition, the firm must document that the agency and its employees or contractors will follow the work practice standards in 641—70.6(135) for conducting lead-based paint activities.
- c. The certified firm must maintain all records required by 641—70.6(135), with the exception of elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection reports, for three years. Certified firms that are also certified as elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies must maintain elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection reports for at least 10 years.

**70.7(2)** Reserved.

**641—70.8(135) Lead-safe work practices training program approval and lead-safe work practices contractor registration.**

**70.8(1)** Training program approval. Beginning July 1, 2004, any lead-safe work practices training program offered in the state of Iowa shall be approved by the department. A lead-safe work practices training program shall not state that it has been approved by the state of Iowa unless it has met the requirements of 641—70.8(135) and has been issued a letter of approval by the department.

- a. Lead-safe work practices training courses shall meet the following requirements:
  - (1) The instructor shall have successfully completed a 20-hour sampling technician course, a 40-hour lead inspector/risk assessor course, or a 40-hour lead abatement contractor course.
  - (2) The instructor shall have demonstrated experience in training.
  - (3) The course shall be 8 hours in length. Each training hour shall include at least 50 minutes of instruction. Instructors shall follow the curriculum provided by the department, including the hands-on exercises and course test. Instructors may also add additional pertinent material.
  - (4) The instructor shall provide a copy of the student training manual to each person taking the course.

(5) The instructor shall ensure that each course is 8 hours in length. The instructor shall ensure that any student who misses more than 15 minutes of class time makes up the time before taking the course test. In order to receive credit for the course, attendees must be in attendance for the entire course.

(6) The instructor shall administer the course test that is included in the training materials provided by the department. A person shall receive a score of at least 80 percent on the course test to successfully complete the course.

(7) The instructor shall issue a signed course certificate to each successful participant.

(8) The instructor shall evaluate the course each time that it is offered using the form provided by the department. The instructor shall ensure that each participant completes a course evaluation.

(9) The instructor shall keep all records of the course for at least six years or until a state of Iowa/EPA requirement for the certification of lead-safe work practices contractors is implemented, whichever is longer.

(10) At a minimum, the instructor shall keep the following records for each course:

1. A copy of the student training manual given to the students.
2. The dates and place that the course was held.
3. The actual sign-in sheets for the course.
4. The test and answer sheet for the course.
5. The evaluation forms for the course.

(11) The instructor shall keep the following records in a separate file for each participant:

1. The participant's name, address, and telephone number.
2. The participant's answer sheet.
3. A copy of the course certificate issued to the participant.

(12) The instructor shall notify the department in writing at least seven days in advance of planned training courses and shall allow the department to sit in on the course and to audit the records that the training program is required by this rule to maintain.

(13) The instructor shall report to the department the number of people who successfully complete the course each quarter. Reports shall be due on January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 of each year.

*b.* The instructor shall ensure that the training program complies at all times with all requirements in this rule.

**70.8(2)** If a training program desires approval of a course by the department, the training program shall apply to the department on forms supplied by the department at least 30 days before the initial offering of the course. Programs that were voluntarily approved by the department prior to July 1, 2004, shall remain approved.

**70.8(3)** Voluntary contractor registration.

*a.* Beginning July 1, 2004, a person who has successfully completed an approved lead-safe work practices training course may register with the department after the date of course completion. The applicant must submit:

- (1) A completed application form;
- (2) Documentation of successful completion of an approved lead-safe work practices training course;
- (3) A nonrefundable fee of \$10.

*b.* Registered lead-safe work practices contractors must complete renewal registration each year. To receive renewal registration, a registered lead-safe work practices contractor shall submit:

- (1) A completed application form;
- (2) A nonrefundable fee of \$10.

*c.* A person shall not claim to be a registered lead-safe work practices contractor in the state of Iowa when the person is not.

#### **641—70.9(135) Compliance inspections.**

**70.9(1)** The department may enter premises or facilities where violations of the provisions regarding lead-based paint activities may occur for the purpose of conducting compliance inspections.

**70.9(2)** The department may enter premises or facilities where training programs conduct business.

**70.9(3)** The department may take samples and review records as part of the lead-based paint activities compliance inspection process.

**641—70.10(135) Denial, suspension, or revocation of certification; denial, suspension, revocation, or modification of course approval; and imposition of penalties.**

**70.10(1)** Violators are subject to civil penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.105A and 641—70.10(135) or to criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38. The following are considered to be in violation of this chapter:

- a.* Failure or refusal to comply with any requirements of this chapter.
- b.* Failure or refusal to establish, maintain, provide, copy, or permit access to records or reports as required by rules 70.3(135) to 70.7(135).
- c.* Failure or refusal to permit entry or inspection as described in subrules 70.9(1) to 70.9(3).
- d.* Obtaining certification through fraudulent representation.
- e.* Failure to obtain certification from the department and performing work requiring certification.
- f.* Fraudulently obtaining certification and engaging in any lead-based paint activities requiring certification.

**70.10(2)** The department may deny an application for certification, may suspend or revoke a certification, may impose a civil penalty, or may refer the case to the office of the county attorney for possible criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38 when it finds that the applicant, certified lead professional, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency, or certified firm has committed any of the following acts:

- a.* Obtained documentation of training through fraudulent means.
- b.* Gained admission to an accredited training program through misrepresentation of admission requirements.
- c.* Obtained certification through misrepresentation of certification requirements or related documents pertaining to education, training, professional registration, or experience.
- d.* Performed work requiring certification at a job site without having proof of current certification.
- e.* Permitted the duplication or use of the individual's or firm's own certificate by another.
- f.* Performed work for which certification is required, but for which appropriate certification had not been received.
- g.* Failed to follow the standards of conduct required by 641—70.6(135).
- h.* Failed to comply with federal, state, or local lead-based paint statutes and regulations, including the requirements of this chapter.
- i.* For certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies and certified firms, performed work for which certification is required with employees or persons under the control of the certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency or certified firm who were not appropriately certified.
- j.* Knowingly made misleading, deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in the practice of lead professional activities or engaged in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established.
- k.* Used untruthful or improbable statements in advertisements. This includes, but is not limited to, an action by a lead professional making information or intention known to the public that is false, deceptive, misleading, or promoted through fraud or misrepresentation.
- l.* Falsified reports and records required by this chapter.
- m.* Accepted any fee by fraud or misrepresentation.
- n.* Negligence by the firm or individual in the practice of the lead professional activities. This includes a failure to exercise due care, including negligent delegation of duties or supervision of employees or other individuals, whether or not injury results; or any conduct, practice, or conditions that impair the ability of the firm or individual to safely and skillfully practice the profession.
- o.* Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a certification or licensing authority of this state, another state, territory, or country; or failure by the firm or individual to report such action in writing within 30 days of the final action by such certification or licensing authority.

A stay by an appellate court shall not negate this requirement; however, if such disciplinary action is overturned or reversed by a court of last resort, the report shall be expunged from the records of the board.

*p.* Failed to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.

*q.* Representation by a firm or individual that the firm or individual is certified when the certification has been suspended or revoked or has not been renewed.

*r.* Failed to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication from the department that was sent by registered or certified mail.

*s.* Engaged in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.

*t.* Failed to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with a department investigation.

*u.* Failed to pay costs assessed in any disciplinary action.

*v.* Been convicted of a felony related to lead professional activities or the conviction of any felony that would affect the ability of the firm or individual to perform lead professional activities. A copy of the record of conviction or plea of guilty shall be conclusive evidence.

*w.* Unethical conduct. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(1) Verbally or physically abusing a client or coworker.

(2) Improper sexual conduct with or making suggestive, lewd, lascivious, or improper remarks or advances to a client or coworker.

(3) Engaging in a professional conflict of interest.

(4) Mental or physical inability reasonably related to and adversely affecting the ability of the firm or individual to practice in a safe and competent manner.

(5) Being adjudged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction.

**70.10(3)** The department may deny, suspend, revoke, or modify the approval for a course, or may impose a civil penalty or may refer the case to the office of the county attorney for possible criminal penalties pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.38 when it finds that the training program, training manager, or other person with supervisory authority over the course has committed any of the following acts:

*a.* Misrepresented the contents of a training course to the department or to the student population.

*b.* Failed to submit required information or notifications in a timely manner.

*c.* Failed to maintain required records.

*d.* Falsified approval records, instructor qualifications, or other information or documentation related to course approval.

*e.* Failed to comply with the training standards and requirements in 641—70.4(135).

*f.* Made false or misleading statements to the department in its application for approval or reapproval which the department relied upon in approving the application.

*g.* Failed to comply with federal, state, or local lead-based paint statutes and regulations, including the requirements of this chapter.

*h.* Knowingly made misleading, deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in the practice of conducting a training program or engaged in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established.

*i.* Used untruthful or improbable statements in advertisements. This includes, but is not limited to, an action by a training program making information or intention known to the public that is false, deceptive, misleading, or promoted through fraud or misrepresentation.

*j.* Falsified reports and records required by this chapter.

*k.* Accepted any fee by fraud or misrepresentation.

*l.* Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a certification or licensing authority of this state, another state, territory, or country; or failure by the firm or individual to report such action in writing within 30 days of the final action by such certification or licensing authority.

A stay by an appellate court shall not negate this requirement; however, if such disciplinary action is overturned or reversed by a court of last resort, the report shall be expunged from the records of the board.

*m.* Failed to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.

*n.* Representation by a firm or individual that the firm or individual is certified when the certification has been suspended or revoked or has not been renewed.

*o.* Failed to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication from the department that was sent by registered or certified mail.

*p.* Engaged in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.

*q.* Failed to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with a department investigation.

*r.* Failed to pay costs assessed in any disciplinary action.

**70.10(4)** Complaints and other requests for action under this rule. Complaints regarding a certified lead professional, a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency, a certified firm, or an approved course shall be submitted in writing to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The complainant shall provide:

*a.* The name of the certified lead professional, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency, or certified firm and the specific details of the action(s) by the certified lead professional, certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency, or certified firm that did not comply with the rules; or

*b.* The name of the lead professional or firm that conducted lead professional activities without the appropriate certification or approval as required by the rules; or

*c.* The name of the sponsoring person or organization of an approved course and the specific way(s) that an approved course did not comply with the rules; or

*d.* The name of the sponsoring person or organization that provided a course without the approval required by these rules.

**70.10(5)** Civil penalties.

*a.* Before instituting any proceeding to impose a civil penalty under Iowa Code section 135.105A, the department shall serve a written notice of violation upon the person charged. The notice of violation shall specify the date or dates, facts, and the nature of the alleged act or omission with which the person is charged and shall identify specifically the particular provision or provisions of the law, rule, regulation, certification, approval, or cease and desist order involved in the alleged violation and must state the amount of each proposed penalty. The notice of violation shall also advise the person charged that the civil penalty may be paid in the amount specified therein, or the proposed imposition of the civil penalty may be protested in its entirety or in part, by a written answer, either denying the violation or showing extenuating circumstances. The notice of violation shall advise the person charged that upon failure to pay a civil penalty subsequently determined by the department, if any, unless compromised, remitted, or mitigated, the fee shall be collected by civil action, pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.105A.

*b.* Within 20 days of the date of a notice of violation or other time specified in the notice, the person charged may either pay the penalty in the amount proposed or answer the notice of violation. The answer to the notice of violation shall state any facts, explanations, and arguments denying the charges of violation, or demonstrating any extenuating circumstances, error in the notice of violation, or other reason why the penalty should not be imposed and may request remission or mitigation of the penalty.

*c.* If the person charged with violation fails to answer within the time specified in paragraph 70.10(5)“*b.*,” an order may be issued imposing the civil penalty in the amount set forth in the notice of violation described in paragraph 70.10(5)“*a.*”

*d.* If the person charged with violation files an answer to the notice of violation, the department, upon consideration of the answer, will issue an order dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty. The person charged may, within 20 days of the date of the order or other time specified in the order, request a hearing.

*e.* If the person charged with violation requests a hearing, the department will issue an order designating the time and place of hearing. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

*f.* If a hearing is held, an order will be issued after the hearing by the presiding officer or the department dismissing the proceeding or imposing, mitigating, or remitting the civil penalty.

*g.* The department may compromise any civil penalty. If the civil penalty is not compromised, or is not remitted by the presiding officer or the department, and if payment is not made within ten days following either the service of the order described in paragraph 70.10(5)“*c*” or “*f*,” or the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing described in paragraph 70.10(5)“*d*,” the department may refer the matter to the attorney general for collection.

*h.* Except when payment is made after compromise or mitigation by the department of justice or as ordered by a court of the state, following reference of the matter to the attorney general for collection, payment of civil penalties imposed under Iowa Code section 135.105A shall be made by check, draft, or money order payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health.

**70.10(6) Appeals.**

*a.* Notice of denial, suspension or revocation of certification, or denial, suspension, revocation, or modification of course approval shall be sent to the affected individual or organization by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The affected individual or organization shall have a right to appeal the denial, suspension or revocation.

*b.* An appeal of a denial, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of the receipt of the department’s notice to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If such a request is made within the 30-day time period, the notice of denial, suspension or revocation shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. After the hearing, or upon default of the applicant or alleged violator, the administrative law judge shall affirm, modify or set aside the denial, suspension or revocation. If no appeal is submitted within 30 days, the denial, suspension or revocation shall become the department’s final agency action.

*c.* Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be transmitted to the department of inspections and appeals within five working days of receipt pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the denial, suspension or revocation is based shall be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

*d.* The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

*e.* When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The proposed decision and order then becomes the department’s final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in paragraph 70.10(6)“*f*.”

*f.* Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge’s proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

*g.* Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing or submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- (1) All pleadings, motions, and rulings.
- (2) All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- (3) A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- (4) All questions and offers of proof, objection, and rulings thereon.
- (5) All proposed findings and exceptions.
- (6) The proposed findings and order of the administrative law judge.

*h.* The decision and order of the director becomes the department’s final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

*i.* It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved



party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

*j.* Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*k.* The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**70.10(7) Public notification.**

*a.* The public shall be notified of the suspension, revocation, modification, or reinstatement of course approval through appropriate mechanisms.

*b.* The department shall maintain a list of courses for which the approval has been suspended, revoked, modified, or reinstated.

**641—70.11(135) Waivers.** Rules in this chapter are not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

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CHAPTER 71  
EMERGENCY INFORMATION SYSTEM ON PESTICIDES FOR USE BY HEALTH CARE  
PROVIDERS DURING MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

**641—71.1(139A) Scope.** Except as otherwise specifically provided, these rules apply to requirements for the operation of an emergency information system operated by providers of pesticides in Iowa who register with the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship (IDALS). These rules do not pertain to registrants who do not operate their own emergency information system.

**641—71.2(139A) Definitions.** As used in this chapter, these terms have the definition set forth below.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Emergency information system (EIS)”* means a system developed by a registrant that is accessible by Iowa health care providers and poison control centers 24 hours per day, every day of the year. The system must provide ready access to pesticide product profiles of the registrants to include but not be limited to characterization of inert ingredient(s) and their general proportion whether openly defined or confidentially maintained as a trade secret.

*“Registrant”* means the person registering any pesticide or device or who has obtained a certificate of license from IDALS pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 206.

**641—71.3(139A) Operation of EIS.**

**71.3(1)** *Registrants operating their own EIS shall:*

*a.* Provide emergency treatment information to health care providers engaged in the emergency care of a real-time human exposure to a registrant’s product(s) upon request 24 hours per day, every day of the year. These services shall identify required inert ingredients, pursuant to Iowa Code section 206.12(2)“*c*”(2), even if they are considered trade secret, for the sole purpose of assisting in the medical management of persons exposed to pesticides;

*b.* Ensure that information response time to provide appropriate pesticide ingredient information, which may be responsible for the medical emergency, to a health care provider or poison control center, as defined in Iowa Code section 206.2, does not exceed 15 minutes;

*c.* Have in operation a toll-free number (800 number, reverse charges number, etc.) which can be accessed anywhere in Iowa;

*d.* Have qualified responders on duty at all times. A qualified responder who provides the information to the inquiring health care provider shall:

(1) Have a college degree in one of the life sciences or its equivalent and have a minimum of two years’ experience in the hazardous chemical (pesticide) field. This experience shall be in the routine handling and working with hazardous substances of the type that would, in the normal course of events, require emergency response; or

(2) Be an individual who is under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 71.3(1)“*d*”(1); and

(3) Have comprehensive emergency response and accident mitigation training.

*e.* Have an adequate contingency plan to continue operation in the event of equipment or power failure;

*f.* Have facsimile (fax) capabilities;

*g.* Provide at a minimum:

(1) The immediate health hazards posed by internal or external exposure to a given pesticide,

(2) Risks of fire or explosion of a material,

(3) Immediate precautions to take in the event of an accident or incident,

(4) Preliminary first-aid measures, and

(5) A comprehensive list of compounds in a given product including identification of the inert ingredients only upon request from the health care provider who is treating a real-time human exposure to a registrant’s product.

*h.* Provide to poison control centers, defined in Iowa Code subsection 206.2(24), the telephone number(s) to be used to obtain treatment information for a person exposed to a registrant's product.

**71.3(2)** Reserved.

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CHAPTER 72  
CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING  
PREVENTION PROGRAM

**641—72.1(135) Definitions.**

“*Approved program*” means a program that meets the requirements of subrule 72.2(3) and has been approved by the department.

“*Capillary*” means a blood sample taken from the finger or heel for lead analysis.

“*Certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency*” means an agency that has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) and has been certified by the department.

“*Certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessor*” means a person who has met the requirements of 641—70.5(135) for certification or interim certification and who has been certified by the department.

“*Chelation*” means the administration of medication that binds lead so that it can be removed from the body.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Elevated blood lead (EBL) child*” means any child who has had one venous blood lead level greater than or equal to 20 micrograms per deciliter or at least two venous blood lead levels of 15 to 19 micrograms per deciliter.

“*Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection*” means an inspection to determine the sources of lead exposure for an elevated blood lead (EBL) child and the provision within ten working days of a written report explaining the results of the investigation to the owner and occupant of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility being inspected and to the parents of the elevated blood lead (EBL) child.

“*Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency*” means an agency that employs or contracts with individuals who perform elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections. Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agencies may also employ or contract with individuals who perform other lead-based paint activities.

“*Laboratory*” means a laboratory satisfactorily participating in the blood lead analysis proficiency testing program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/University of Wisconsin.

“*Lead-based paint hazard*” means hazardous lead-based paint, a dust-lead hazard, or a soil-lead hazard as defined in 641—Chapter 70.

“*Local board*” means a county, district, or city board of health.

“*Local childhood lead poisoning prevention program*” means a program in which the services listed in subrule 72.2(3) are provided by agencies located in a community.

“*Venous*” means a blood sample taken from a vein in the arm for lead analysis.

**641—72.2(135) Approved programs.**

**72.2(1)** An individual local board of health representing a geographic area with a population of at least 15,000 is eligible to apply for status as an approved program. A group of local boards of health representing a geographic area with a total population of at least 15,000 may apply for status as an approved program by designating an individual local board of health to apply on behalf of the group.

**72.2(2)** A local board wishing to apply for status as an approved program shall make application to the Iowa department of public health by December 1 of each year, beginning on December 1, 2003, for the program year of July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005. An individual local board of health may submit or be included in only one application for status as an approved program. An application for status as an approved program must follow the format which will be made available from the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. All materials submitted as part of the application for status as an approved program are public records.

**72.2(3)** A local board applying for status as an approved program must demonstrate that it is prepared to provide the following activities and authority immediately upon the receipt of funding. The application submitted by a local board of health shall specify the name of the agency and of the individual staff member who will be responsible for carrying out each of the following activities:

- a. A public education program about lead poisoning and the dangers of lead poisoning to children.
- b. An effective outreach effort to ensure the availability of services in the geographic area to be served.
- c. A blood lead testing program for children, with an emphasis on children less than six years of age. Blood lead testing should be done in conformance with the department's statewide blood lead testing plan, available on request from the department.
- d. Provision of laboratory services, in conformance with the above-cited reference.
- e. A program to ensure that children identified with blood lead levels greater than or equal to 10 micrograms per deciliter receive services appropriate for the blood lead level including, but not limited to, confirmatory venous blood lead testing, follow-up capillary or venous blood lead testing, nutrition counseling, a home nursing visit, a developmental evaluation, a medical evaluation, and chelation.
- f. Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections in dwelling units associated with an elevated blood lead (EBL) child. Elevated blood lead (EBL) inspections shall be conducted by certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspector/risk assessors employed by or under contract with a certified elevated blood lead (EBL) inspection agency.
- g. Follow-up inspections to ensure that lead-based paint hazards identified in dwelling units associated with an elevated blood lead (EBL) child are corrected.
- h. Adoption and enforcement of a local code which provides adequate authority to require control of lead-based paint hazards found in dwelling units associated with an elevated blood lead (EBL) child.
- i. Development of a community coalition to address childhood lead poisoning prevention.
- j. Management of blood lead and case management data using the Strategic Tracking of Elevated Lead Levels and Remediation (STELLAR) program.
- k. A plan of intent to continue the program on a maintenance basis after the grant is discontinued.

**72.2(4)** By January 1 of each year, the department shall notify each local board of health that has applied for status as an approved program whether the local board of health has been granted status as an approved program, beginning January 1, 2004, for the program year of July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005.

**72.2(5)** A county that receives childhood lead poisoning prevention funding from the department for the program year of July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003, shall have status as an approved program for the program year of July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2004. Unless the local board of health requests otherwise by March 1, 2003, the contractors that provide childhood lead poisoning prevention services in the county for the program year of July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003, shall continue to serve as contractors for the program year of July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2004.

#### **641—72.3(135) Level of funding.**

**72.3(1)** The department shall develop a formula to allocate funding to approved programs. In the development of the formula, the department shall consider factors that affect the burden of childhood lead poisoning in a geographic area including, but not limited to, the number of children under the age of six years, the percentage of housing built before 1950, the percentage of children in poverty, and the demonstrated prevalence of childhood lead poisoning in the geographic area to be served.

**72.3(2)** The department shall allocate state funds appropriated to the department for this program according to this formula. Federal funds available to the department for local childhood lead poisoning prevention programs shall be allocated to approved programs according to this formula unless a different method is mandated by the federal agency providing the funding.

**72.3(3)** The approved program shall provide one dollar for every three dollars of state funding awarded for each of the first two years of funding and then one dollar for each dollar of state funding awarded for the third and subsequent years of funding. Local contributions may be in the form of in-kind matching.

**72.3(4)** Matching requirements for federal funding allocated to approved programs shall be as mandated by the federal agency providing the funding.

**72.3(5)** On January 1, April 1, and June 1 of each year, the department shall ask each approved program to estimate the amount of funds that the approved program will not use. The department may

allocate these funds to approved programs with demonstrated special needs for childhood lead poisoning prevention services.

**641—72.4(135) Appeals.**

**72.4(1)** Any applicant that has timely filed an application and is aggrieved by the decision made pursuant to these rules regarding the applicant's status as an approved program may request a reconsideration of the applicant's proposal by filing a written request for reconsideration with the director of the Iowa department of public health. The request shall be filed within three working days of the date of notification of the decision regarding the applicant's status as an approved program.

**72.4(2)** A request for reconsideration must be in writing and clearly state the reasons for reconsideration. The director's scope of review for requests shall be limited to a finding that the department erred in following the rules or procedures of the approval process as outlined in these administrative rules.

**72.4(3)** The department shall refrain from allocating any funds until it has received the decision of the director as to any reconsideration. The review shall be conducted as expeditiously as possible so that all funds can be allocated in a timely fashion.

**72.4(4)** This procedure shall end the review process at the administrative level.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.100 to 135.105.

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CHAPTER 73  
SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM  
FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)  
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**641—73.1(135) Program explanation.** The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a federal program operated pursuant to agreement with the states. The purpose of the program is to provide supplemental foods and nutrition education to eligible pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and young children from families with inadequate incomes. The WIC program is administered on the federal level by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS). The Iowa department of public health serves as the administering agency for the state of Iowa. The Iowa department of public health enters into contracts with selected local agencies on an annual basis for the provision of WIC services to eligible participants.

**641—73.2(135) Adoption by reference.** Federal regulations found at 7 CFR Part 246 (effective as of February 13, 1985, as amended through September 27, 2006, and any additional amendments) shall be the authority for rules governing the Iowa WIC program and are incorporated by reference herein. The WIC state plan provides policy and procedural guidance in the implementation of these regulations to contract agencies administering WIC programs. The WIC state plan as approved by the United States Department of Agriculture is incorporated herein by reference.

**641—73.3(135) Availability of rules.** Copies of the federal rules and the WIC state plan adopted by reference in 73.2(135) are available from: Chief, Bureau of Nutrition and Health Promotion, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, (515)281-4919.

**641—73.4(135) Certain rules exempted from public participation.** The Iowa department of public health finds that certain rules should be exempted from notice and public participation as being in a very narrowly tailored category of rules for which notice and public participation are unnecessary as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(2). Such rules shall be those that are mandated by federal law and regulation governing the Iowa WIC program where the department has no option but to adopt such rules as specified and where federal funding for the WIC program is contingent upon the adoption of the rules.

**641—73.5(135) Definitions.**

*“Applicant”* means a person applying for the WIC program, but not yet a participant of the WIC program.

*“Breastfeeding women”* means women up to one year postpartum who are breastfeeding their infants.

*“Certification”* means the implementation of criteria and procedures to assess and document each applicant’s eligibility for the program.

*“Children”* means persons who have had their first birthday but have not yet attained their fifth birthday.

*“Competent professional authority”* or *“CPA”* means an individual on the staff of the contract agency who, using standardized WIC screening tools and eligibility criteria provided by the department, determines whether an applicant for WIC services is eligible to receive those services. A CPA shall be a member of one of the following categories:

1. A dietitian licensed by the Iowa board of dietetic examiners;
2. A nutrition educator as defined in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual;
3. A physician, registered nurse or licensed physician assistant.

*“Contract agency”* means a private, nonprofit or public agency that has a contract with the department to provide WIC services and receives funds from the department for that purpose.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Division director”* means the director of the division of health promotion and chronic disease prevention, Iowa department of public health.

*“Family”* means a group of related or nonrelated individuals who are living together as one economic unit, except that residents of a homeless facility or an institution shall not all be considered as members of a single family.

*“Food instrument”* means a voucher, check, coupon, electronic benefits transfer (EBT) card or any other document used to obtain supplemental foods.

*“HAWK-I”* means healthy and well kids in Iowa and is the health insurance program in Iowa, as authorized in Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

*“Health professional”* means an individual who is licensed to provide health care or social services within the individual’s scope of practice.

*“Health services”* means ongoing, routine pediatric and obstetric care (such as infant and child care and prenatal and postpartum examinations) or referral for treatment.

*“Hearing officer”* means the contract agency director, health professional, community leader or impartial citizen who is designated to hear the appeal of a participant, and is not to be confused with the statutory definition of a hearing officer, which is an administrative law judge.

*“Infants”* means persons under one year of age.

*“Nutritional risk”* means: (a) detrimental or abnormal nutritional conditions detectable by biochemical or anthropometric measurements; (b) other documented nutritionally related medical conditions; (c) dietary deficiencies that impair or endanger health; or (d) conditions that predispose persons to inadequate nutritional patterns or nutritionally related medical conditions.

*“Nutrition education”* means individual or group education sessions and the provision of information and educational materials designed to improve health status, achieve positive change in dietary habits, and emphasize relationships between nutrition and health, all in keeping with the individual’s personal, cultural, and socioeconomic preferences.

*“Participants”* means pregnant women, breastfeeding women, postpartum women, infants and children who are receiving supplemental foods under the program, and the breastfed infants of participant breastfeeding women.

*“Peer group”* means a system of grouping WIC vendors according to structure; type; number of cash registers; square footage; and sales. Peer groups are used to establish statistical norms that an individual store may be compared against and provide the numeric baselines for the process of determining what may be fraudulent behavior.

*“Postpartum women”* means women up to six months postpregnancy who are not breastfeeding.

*“Pregnant women”* means women determined to have one or more embryos or fetuses in utero.

*“Program”* means the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) authorized by Section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966.

*“Vendor”* means a retail outlet that provides supplemental food to WIC program participants.

#### **641—73.6(135) Staffing of contract agencies.**

**73.6(1)** Rescinded IAB 10/9/96, effective 11/13/96.

**73.6(2)** The competent professional authority shall conduct either the diet history or the health history part of the certification process and shall sign the certification form attesting to the applicant’s eligibility for services after the certification process is completed.

**73.6(3)** Contract agencies shall maintain on file documentation of qualifications for any individual employed or under contract as a CPA.

**73.6(4)** All contract agencies shall employ at least one licensed dietitian to provide services for participants determined to be at high risk. Nutrition educators employed by a contract agency shall be supervised by a licensed dietitian.

**73.6(5)** Rescinded IAB 10/9/96, effective 11/13/96.

**73.6(6)** Contract agencies shall submit the license number of each dietitian hired within 30 days of employment.

**73.6(7)** Proposed staffing patterns within contract agencies shall be subject to approval from the department following review in accord with established statewide WIC staff patterns.

**641—73.7(135) Certification of participants.** The certification process to determine eligibility for WIC services, as defined in 7 CFR 246.7, shall include the following procedures and definitions:

**73.7(1) Application.** Information on identity, address, family incomes, and nutrition risk must be collected in accordance with the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.7(2) Income.**

*a.* The income guidelines used shall be the same as the National School Lunch Program guidelines for reduced price school lunches, which are equal to 185 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines. Definitions of income are mandated by federal regulation and are described in the WIC state plan. Revised dollar figures for the 185 percent poverty level are published annually in the Federal Register and become effective for WIC no later than July 1 following their publication. Copies of the income definitions and monetary guidelines are available from the department.

*b.* Applicants must provide the contract agency written proof of their income as part of each certification process, pursuant to the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.7(3) Time frame for services.**

*a.* The date of initial visit shall be the day on which an applicant first requests services from a contract agency. A visit to another program office to complete a common application form does not constitute an initial visit.

*b.* Pregnant women shall be certified for the duration of their pregnancy and for up to six weeks postpartum. Pregnant women precertified with referral data require a full certification within 30 days.

*c.* Rescinded IAB 5/30/01, effective 7/4/01.

*d.* Priority II infants pre-certified with referral data require a full certification within six weeks of the infant's birth.

**73.7(4) Medical equipment.**

*a.* Medical equipment used in conducting WIC clinics shall be subject to approval by the department.

*b.* Standards for conducting the medical and nutritional assessments on program applicants shall be as described in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*c.* Medical equipment shall be recalibrated in accord with procedures outlined in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.7(5) Documentation of health and nutrition information.** Documentation of health and nutrition information in individual participant records shall be as described in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.7(6) Documentation of nonmedical information.** Documentation of nonmedical information in individual participant and collective program records shall be as described in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.7(7) Transfer of participant information.** Requirements for use and disclosure of confidential applicant and participant information for non-WIC purposes were revised in the Federal Register September 27, 2006, Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, 7 CFR Part 246, Miscellaneous Provisions; Final Rule 246.25(a)(4).

*a. Designation by chief state health officer.* The chief state health officer must designate in writing the permitted non-WIC uses of the information and the names of the organizations to which such information may be disclosed.

*b. Notice to applicants and participants.* The applicant or participant will be notified at the time of application (in accordance with 7 CFR 246.7(i)(11)) or through a subsequent notice that the chief state health officer may authorize the use and disclosure of information about an applicant's or participant's participation in the WIC program for non-WIC purposes. This statement will also indicate that such information will be used by state and local WIC agencies and public organizations only in the administration of programs that serve persons eligible for the WIC program.

*c. Written agreement and WIC state plan.* The state or local agency disclosing the information will enter into a written agreement with the other public organization or, in the case of a non-WIC use by a state or local WIC agency, the unit of the state or local agency that will be using the information. The state agency will also include in its state plan, as specified in 7 CFR 246.4(a)(24), a list of all organizations (including units of the state agency or local agencies) with which the state agency or its local agencies have executed or intend to execute a written agreement. The written agreement must:

(1) Specify that the receiving organization may use the confidential applicant and participant information only for:

1. Establishing the eligibility of WIC applicants or participants for the programs that the organization administers;

2. Conducting outreach to WIC applicants and participants for such programs;

3. Enhancing the health, education, or well-being of WIC applicants or participants who are currently enrolled in such programs, including the reporting of known or suspected child abuse or neglect that is not otherwise required by state law;

4. Streamlining administrative procedures in order to minimize burdens on staff, applicants, or participants in either the receiving program or the WIC program; or

5. Assessing and evaluating the responsiveness of a state's health system to participants' health care needs and health care outcomes; and

(2) Contain the receiving organization's assurance that it will not use the information for any other purpose or disclose the information to a third party.

**641—73.8(135) Food delivery.** Food delivery refers to all aspects of the method by which WIC participants receive food benefits, i.e., printing, distribution, and processing of computerized personal food instruments redeemable through retail food markets and the statewide banking system. Food delivery shall be uniform throughout the state as provided for by these rules.

**73.8(1) Responsibilities of WIC participants.**

*a. Prompt redemption of food instruments.* A WIC participant must redeem WIC benefits within the validated date of use.

*b. Claiming food instruments.* Enrolled participants are required to appear in person to claim food instruments when they have appointments to certify or have nutrition education contacts. Missed attendance may entitle contract agencies to deny that month's benefit. If a written statement is provided to the contract agency, a proxy may pick up food instruments.

*c. Adherence to standards for use of the food instrument.* The WIC participant in using the WIC food instrument to obtain the specified foods shall:

(1) Sign the WIC identification card at the time of receipt in the clinic.

(2) Present the WIC identification card to the vendor at point of purchase.

(3) Sign each food instrument in the appropriate box in the presence of the vendor.

(4) Write in the total amount of the purchase in the designated space.

(5) Not accept money in exchange for unused food instruments or portions of the food allotment.

(6) Attempt to redeem food instruments only with a WIC-contracted vendor.

**73.8(2) Responsibilities of contract agencies.**

*a. Loss or theft of food instruments.* The contract agency is responsible for any financial loss due to theft or other loss of food instruments from clinics. Steps for minimizing the chances of theft or loss are followed in accord with the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*b. Mailing of WIC food instruments.* Mailing of food instruments to participants is allowed when inclement weather prevents participants from coming to a distribution site. Any mailing of WIC food instruments on a clinicwide basis must have prior approval from the state.

*c. Use of manual food instruments.* Rescinded IAB 1/30/08, effective 3/5/08.

*d. Training/monitoring of WIC vendors.* The contract agency shall communicate information regarding the Iowa WIC program to vendors, as instructed by the department. Monitoring and training of vendors and securement of contracts shall be carried out in accordance with department directives outlined in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*e. Food instrument distribution on nonclinic days.* It is the policy of the Iowa WIC program to ensure maximum accessibility to program benefits by establishing alternate procedures for distributing WIC food instruments to participants on days other than regularly scheduled clinic days when the participant notified the contract agency on or before the clinic day of the participant's inability to appear at the clinic. Each contract agency shall establish written guidelines for assessing the adequacy of reasons presented for inability to appear and shall establish written procedures for alternative means of food instrument distribution when a participant timely presents adequate reasons for inability to appear on a regularly scheduled clinic day. These written guidelines and procedures shall be subject to review and approval by the department.

**73.8(3) Responsibilities of department.** Provision of foods through retail grocers and special purpose vendors is an integral part of the WIC program's function. It is the responsibility of the department to ensure that there are a sufficient number of stores authorized to provide reasonable access for program participants. The department also has an obligation to ensure that both food and administrative funds are expended in the most efficient manner possible. As with all other purchases made by state government, this means that the number of vendors (retail grocers and special purpose vendors) may be limited and that all vendors must meet minimum criteria for approval. A retailer that intends to derive more than 50 percent of annual revenue of the sale of food items from the redemption of WIC food instruments will not be allowed. The department shall be responsible for the following:

*a.* Approving or denying vendor applications. The department shall determine if applications meet the mandatory specifications in 73.8(4) and meet the minimum review points in 73.8(4) for a subsequent agreement.

*b.* Compiling the statewide or local area composite data against which vendor applications are reviewed, determining if applications meet the selection criteria which require use of that data, providing training, and signing the initial authorization agreement if a vendor is determined to be eligible.

*c.* Developing procedures, forms, and standards for agencies to use in conducting on-site review of vendor applications, monitoring, compliance buys, educational buy monitoring, or compliance investigations as defined in 73.8(5).

*d.* Determining when compliance investigation activities are necessary to verify program violations, developing or approving standards and procedures to be used in conducting the activities, and arranging for an appropriate state or private agency to conduct the compliance buying investigation as required.

*e.* Providing written notice to vendors of program violations and sanctions.

**73.8(4) Responsibilities of WIC vendors.** A potential vendor shall make application to the Iowa department of public health WIC program and shall accept the obligations imposed by the signing of a WIC vendor agreement prior to acceptance of any WIC food instrument. The two categories for which any potential vendor may apply are grocery vendors and special purpose vendors. A retailer that intends to derive more than 50 percent of annual revenue of the sale of food items from the redemption of WIC food instruments will not be approved.

*a. Grocery vendor agreement.* To qualify for a grocery vendor agreement with the Iowa WIC program, a retail outlet shall meet all of the following criteria:

(1) The vendor must stock all of the following categories of items to be defined as a grocery vendor: a minimum of 5 linear feet of raw fruits and vegetables; a minimum of 12 linear feet of unbreaded fresh or frozen meats and poultry (prepackaged luncheon meats do not qualify); canned and frozen vegetables; dairy products; and cereals.

(2) No more than 20 percent of the vendor's gross retail sales may be from the sale of gasoline or other automotive supplies.

(3) No more than 20 percent of the vendor's gross retail sales may be from the sale of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.

(4) The vendor must maintain regular business hours. This shall include a minimum of two 4-hour blocks of time on each of five days per week. Daily operating hours shall be consistent from week to week, and shall be posted.

(5) The vendor must stock the minimum variety and quantity of WIC-approved foods as defined in the latest revised version of the Iowa WIC vendor application.

The specific brands of products that are included on the WIC-approved food list shall be made available to the vendor at the time of application and prior to renewal of each agreement.

The variety and quantity in stock are defined as including both inventory on display and in on-premises storage, but not inventory on order from suppliers.

(6) A vendor shall charge a price to WIC participants that is equal to or less than the price charged to all other customers. The prices charged to WIC participants for the average of all WIC items, as reported on the application, at the time of the on-site review, and throughout the agreement period, shall not exceed 105 percent of the average prices of all other WIC vendors in the same peer group. The vendor's average price for any category of WIC items, as reported on the application, at the time of the on-site review, and throughout the agreement period, shall not exceed 115 percent of the average price charged for the same category by all other WIC vendors in the same peer group. Categories refer to the broad groupings of items rather than specific brands. For purposes of making the price comparisons, the average price for all other WIC vendors in the peer group shall be computed from the most recent Price Assessment Reports on file from those vendors. If a vendor intends to comply with this provision by charging WIC participants a lower price than the price charged to other customers, the WIC price for each approved item must be identified on the package or shelf front.

(7) There must be a minimum of five current WIC participants residing in the same ZIP code area as the vendor.

(8) The vendor must not have had a food stamp program disqualification or civil monetary penalty imposed within the 12 months preceding the date of the application or reauthorization.

(9) The vendor must not have had a WIC program suspension imposed or a WIC application denied within the six-month period preceding the date of the application.

(10) The vendor must not have had a conviction or civil judgment for any activity that indicates a lack of business integrity against any of the officers or owners during the previous six years.

(11) The vendor must accept training on WIC program regulations prior to signing an agreement and must agree to provide training to all employees who will handle WIC food instruments prior to accepting any food instruments.

(12) The vendor must agree to adhere to all provisions of the WIC Vendor Instructions and Agreement Booklet.

*b. Special purpose vendor.* To qualify as a special purpose vendor, a retail outlet shall meet all of the following criteria:

(1) The vendor may be primarily a retailer of any type of merchandise but shall be authorized to provide only specified infant formula in exchange for WIC food instruments.

(2) The vendor must be able to provide the specified formula within 48 hours; 72 hours if a weekend or holiday is involved.

(3) The prices charged WIC participants must be equal to or less than the prices charged all other customers. The average price of each brand of infant formula sold to WIC participants as reported must not exceed the average price of the same brands of infant formula charged by all authorized WIC grocery vendors in the same peer group.

(4) The vendor shall meet the criteria in paragraph "a," subparagraphs (2) to (4) and (6) to (12), for grocery vendors.

(5) The vendor must agree to adhere to applicable provisions of the WIC Vendor Instructions and Agreement Booklet.

(6) Vendors that derive more than 50 percent of annual revenue of the sale of food items from the redemption of WIC food instruments are not allowed.

The department shall review each vendor application within five working days of receipt and determine if the information provided indicates that the retail outlet meets the selection criteria. If the application shows that the vendor does not meet one or more of the criteria, the department shall deny the application. If the vendor's application indicates that the vendor would qualify, the department or contract agency shall make an on-site visit to verify that the information provided in the application

is correct, to provide training, and sign the agreement. If the department or contract agency finds that the vendor has two or more types of out-of-date, stale, or moldy WIC foods in stock during the on-site visit, the vendor's application may be denied. If the contract agency or department determines during the on-site visit that the vendor does not qualify, the contract agency or department shall not sign the agreement. Within five working days of disapproving an application or agreement, the department will advise the vendor in writing of the reasons for denial of the application and the procedure for appeal. During the on-site visit, the contract agency representative is acting as an agent of the department and has the authority to approve or deny an application.

A vendor that is denied an agreement, either at the application review level or at the on-site review, is required to wait six months prior to submitting a new application. The department may, at its discretion, request a vendor to resubmit an application prior to completing its review if the application has not been completed to the extent that a determination of eligibility can be made.

*c. Reauthorization.* If ownership of an authorized vendor changes during the agreement period, the agreement becomes void. The new owner must file an application and be approved prior to accepting WIC food instruments. Vendor agreements are valid only for the period of time specified, and a vendor may not continue accepting food instruments past the expiration date unless a new agreement is signed. When a currently authorized vendor makes application for a subsequent agreement, an agreement shall be signed only if the vendor has been assessed less than 60 violation points under paragraph 73.19(2) "b" within the previous 24 months.

Vendors must complete a new application and sign a new WIC vendor agreement at least every three years to continue accepting WIC food instruments.

The department shall send the vendor written notice at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the agreement that it does not intend to offer the vendor a new agreement if the vendor has been assessed 60 or more violation points under paragraph 73.19(2) "b" within the last 24 months, or if any of the following conditions are in effect:

- (1) The vendor has failed to submit any of the preceding year's Price Assessment Reports by the specified dates.
- (2) The vendor has not cashed any WIC food instruments for at least two consecutive months at any time during the contract period, or has not cashed five or more WIC food instruments for any 120-day period during the contract period. A vendor will not be excluded under this provision if it is the only grocery or special purpose vendor in that ZIP code area.
- (3) Any of the selection criteria listed in 73.8(4) "a" and "b" above are no longer met.

Expiration of a WIC agreement is not subject to appeal. A vendor who is not offered a new agreement by the department has the right to file a new application. If that application is denied, the vendor has the right to appeal.

*d. Training.* Vendors shall accept training in program policies and procedures at the on-site review prior to becoming an authorized vendor and shall be responsible for training all employees who will be handling WIC food instruments. The manager and person responsible for staff training must allow time at this visit for training; the agreement will not be signed until training is completed. Vendors shall be responsible for all actions of their employees in conducting WIC transactions.

If violations of program policies and procedures are documented, either through on-site monitoring or other indirect means, the vendor shall implement a corrective action training plan developed jointly by the vendor and the department or contract agency.

- e. Validity of food instruments.* The WIC vendor shall be responsible for ensuring that:
- (1) The participant signature required on the food instrument is completed in the vendor's presence;
  - (2) The participant presents a WIC identification card prior to redeeming food instruments. A signature on the WIC identification card must match the food instrument signature;
  - (3) The type and quantity of food to be purchased is as indicated on the food instrument;
  - (4) The amount of money written onto the food instrument for repayment does not exceed the maximum amount as designated by the department and printed on the food instrument;
  - (5) The expiration date is present on the food instrument and is equal to or no later than the date of usage;

- (6) WIC food instruments are never exchanged for cash or credit;
- (7) Substitutions of foods different from those listed on the food instrument in type or amount are not made;
- (8) Food instruments are presented to the state's agent (bank) for payment within 15 days of the date of receipt;
- (9) The costs of foods purchased by WIC participants do not exceed charges to other customers for the same foods;
- (10) The vendor's authorizing number is stamped with the state-issued vendor stamp on the face of the food instrument prior to its being presented for payment.

*f. Cooperation during monitorings.* Contracted WIC vendors shall cooperate with department and contract agency staff who are present on site to monitor the store's WIC activities.

*g. Reimbursement to the program.* Vendors determined by the department to have collected more moneys than the true value of food items received shall make reimbursement to the department.

**73.8(5) Vendor monitoring.** To maintain program integrity and accountability for federal or state program funds, the department and contract agencies shall conduct ongoing monitoring of authorized vendors, both through on-site visits and through indirect means. A sample of 10 percent of currently authorized vendors receives on-site monitoring every year. Vendors that change ownership during the year, or apply during the contract period, receive an on-site visit prior to signing an agreement. The types of on-site monitoring are defined as follows:

*a.* Routine or representative monitoring is used for vendors for which there is no record of violations or complaints or other indication of problems. It may include any or all of the following: use of a food instrument or observation of a participant, educational buys, review of inventory levels, examination of redeemed WIC food instruments on hand, review of store policies on return items, and review of employee training procedures. The results of the monitoring are reviewed with the owner or manager on duty, and a follow-up letter confirming the findings is sent from the department. Routine monitoring may be performed by the department or by contract agency staff under the direction of the department. Depending on the nature and severity of violations noted, the department may schedule additional visits, initiate a compliance investigation, or apply sanctions.

Educational buy monitoring is a specialized type of routine monitoring. Department or contract agency staff attempt to use a WIC food instrument to purchase unauthorized types or brands of foods to test the level of training of store employees. At the conclusion of the transaction, the results of the buy are discussed with the store owner or manager on duty. The transaction is then voided, and the merchandise returned to the shelves. Educational buys are used on authorized vendors selected by the department. If unauthorized items are allowed to be purchased, the vendor shall agree to a corrective action training plan. A follow-up educational buy is scheduled within 30 to 90 days. A letter is sent from the department documenting the violation. By signing a WIC agreement, a vendor gives consent for educational buys by the department or contract agency. Vendors are not notified in advance that an educational buy is scheduled. The protocol for educational buys, including procedures, appropriate items to purchase, and forms to be used, is specified in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*b.* Electronic monitoring is examination of indicators tracked in the vendor computer database. It allows the analysis of data collected via computer from the contract agencies and the state's bank, from which patterns indicating compliance with or deviation from established patterns for Iowa WIC vendors emerge. Data is collected daily and reviewed on an ongoing basis. Trends identified can necessitate another type of monitoring, depending on the nature of each exception.

*c.* Compliance investigations may be used for any vendors. Compliance investigations will be conducted annually in a minimum percentage of vendors as mandated in federal regulations. A compliance investigation includes a sufficient number of compliance buys to provide evidence of program noncompliance, two compliance buys in which no program violations are found, or when an inventory audit has been completed. A compliance buy means a covert, on-site investigation in which a representative of the program poses as a participant, parent or caretaker, or proxy, transacts one or more food instruments and does not reveal during the visit that he or she is a WIC representative. Compliance buys may be performed by the department or another state agency or private company under contract



with the department. The department is responsible for identifying the vendors to be investigated and for approving the protocol to be used during the investigation. Upon completion of a compliance buy documenting program violations, the department shall issue the vendor a notice of violation points assessed unless such notification would hinder an investigation.

The department also monitors vendor performance through in-office review of information. Such information, specifically the total amount of WIC redemptions, is confidential as provided for in Iowa Code section 22.7(6). This business information could provide an advantage to competitors and would serve no public purpose if made available.

**641—73.9(135) Food package.** The authorized supplemental foods shall be prescribed for participants by a CPA in the contract agency from food packages outlined in 7 CFR 246.10 and in accordance with the following:

**73.9(1) Prescription of foods.** Food packages shall maintain a balance between cost and nutrition integrity. There are two components to this balance: (1) administrative adjustments by the department; and (2) nutrition tailoring by both the department and the CPA in the contract agencies.

*a.* Administrative adjustments include restrictions in the packaging methods, brands, sizes, types, and forms (but not quantities) of the federally allowable foods in order to establish the approved food list for the state. Administrative adjustments include decisions to eliminate more expensive brands or prohibit more costly food items allowed by regulations. Criteria for considering foods for inclusion in the approved food list are found in 73.9(3).

*b.* Nutrition tailoring includes changes or substitutions to food types, forms, and quantities in order to prescribe food packages that better meet the nutritional needs of participants. Tailoring is done to reduce quantities of foods based on nutritional needs, to accommodate participant preferences, to accommodate household conditions such as lack of refrigeration or other special needs and problems of homeless or transient participants, and to recommend or prescribe specific forms of the allowable WIC foods based upon a participant's nutritional needs or goals.

*c.* Rescinded IAB 8/4/04, effective 9/8/04.

**73.9(2) Tailoring to meet individual nutrition needs.** Food packages are individually tailored to meet the needs of specific participants according to USDA regulations and the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**73.9(3) Criteria for approving products for inclusion in the WIC food package.**

*a.* A product shall meet the federal regulations governing the WIC food package.

*b.* Variety in the food package is encouraged to increase the likelihood of products being used as well as to allow participants to exercise responsibility in shopping.

*c.* Changes to the approved food list take effect on October 1 in years when new vendor contracts are signed. Inquiries from food companies about new and continuing products must be received prior to February 1 of the year vendor contracts expire to be guaranteed consideration.

*d.* Cereals shall meet federal guidelines for sugar and iron content and shall also meet the following conditions:

(1) They shall be carried by current Iowa WIC vendors.

(2) The product form and marketing approach shall be consistent with the promotion of good nutrition and education.

(3) If a group of cereals from one manufacturer have similar names and package designs and some do not qualify, the department reserves the right to not approve those types that would otherwise qualify, to reduce the potential for confusion by retail vendors and participants.

(4) Ready-to-eat cold cereals are ranked by the six major distributors to Iowa WIC vendors based on volume of total sales. Hot cereals are ranked in the same way. Multiple varieties of a single brand of cereal shall be considered as one brand for the purposes of constructing this ranking. The state office compiles data from all distributors to develop an overall ranking or ranked list. The top 16 name-brand cold cereals, the top 3 varieties of private-label (store) brand cold cereals and the top 2 hot cereals that qualify are selected.

(5) Product shall have been available in retail stores in Iowa for one year prior to the effective date of inclusion in the approved food list.

*e.* Juices shall meet the federal guidelines for vitamin C content and all of the following conditions:

(1) Juices shall be 100 percent juice and contain no added sugar, sweeteners or artificial sweeteners.

(2) The brand shall be carried by current Iowa WIC vendors. Juices are ranked by the six major distributors to Iowa WIC vendors based on volume of total sales. The top two name brands of each flavor of juice (e.g., tomato, orange, grapefruit, grape, apple, or blended) and form of juice (single-strength or concentrated) that meet the selection criteria will be approved. Any private-label (store) brands that meet the selection criteria will also be approved.

(3) The product form and marketing approach shall be consistent with the promotion of good nutrition and education.

(4) If a group of juices from one manufacturer have similar names and package designs and some do not qualify, the department reserves the right to not approve those types that would otherwise qualify, to reduce the potential for confusion by retail vendors and participants. Single-strength and concentrated varieties of juice with the same brand name will be evaluated separately.

(5) Product shall have been available in retail stores in Iowa for one year prior to the effective date of inclusion in the approved food list.

(6) Concentrated juices must be single flavors of juice.

*f.* The following conditions apply to dairy products:

(1) To qualify, brands of whole, low fat, reduced fat, or fat-free milk marketed in Iowa must contain or be fortified with vitamins A and D to meet the federal standards. The department reserves the right to disqualify brands that significantly exceed the average price of other brands or which are marketed as providing additional health benefits.

(2) Fluid milk with added bacterial cultures or enzymes, including but not limited to sweet acidophilus or lactose-reduced milk, may qualify. Brands are approved by the department on a case-by-case basis.

(3) All brands of natural cheese designated in the USDA WIC regulations qualify. The cheese shall have no added flavors (e.g., smoke flavoring, peppers, wine).

*g.* All brands of dried beans or peas are approved whether packaged or purchased in bulk, however, no mixes are allowed.

*h.* Any brand of peanut butter qualifies as long as it does not contain other ingredients such as jelly. Brands may be either refrigerated or nonrefrigerated.

*i.* Eggs shall be fresh, Grade A large or smaller chicken eggs. Specialty eggs, including those with health or nutrition claims and significantly higher prices, shall not be approved.

*j.* Any brand of tuna qualifies if it is either water- or oil-packed, chunked, solid, or flaked, and is in six-ounce minimum-size containers. Tuna packaged with other items such as crackers or relish may not be purchased.

*k.* Commercial infant formula shall meet the following conditions:

(1) It shall have registered with the Food and Drug Administration as complying with the legal definition of infant formula.

(2) It shall comply with the calorie and iron content prescribed by the federal WIC regulations.

(3) It has been approved by the USDA for use in the WIC program.

(4) The product form and marketing approach shall be consistent with the promotion of good nutrition and education.

(5) All of the formula marketed under that label shall meet all standards. If a similar, nonqualifying formula is marketed along with a qualifying formula, participants may be easily confused. Therefore, the qualifying formula shall not be approved.

(6) "Special formulas," as described in the regulations, must be approved by the USDA.

*l.* In addition to the criteria specified above, the department reserves the right to further restrict the number of brands of any products in order to contain the cost of the food package through competitive procurement of rebate contracts or other similar means.

**641—73.10(135) Education.****73.10(1) Nutrition education for WIC participants.**

a. Nutrition education is provided as a benefit to all women and to parents of all children enrolled in the program.

b. A minimum of two nutrition education contacts shall be offered to each woman participant or the parent/guardian of children participating in WIC during each certification period.

c. Nutrition education shall be based on information obtained through the diet and health histories and shall be tailored to the specific nutrition need of the participant.

d. All pregnant women enrolled in WIC shall receive education on the benefits of breastfeeding.

e. Education in normal nutrition, i.e., education in nutrition for life-cycle stages, shall be provided in accordance with the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

f. Participants who are at high risk, as defined in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual, shall receive counseling and a nutrition plan of care developed by a licensed dietitian. The plan of care shall be documented in the participant record and shall include scheduling a minimum of one individual education contact by a licensed dietitian.

g. The department shall make nutrition education materials and resources available at no cost to contract agencies. The department reserves the right to review and approve or disapprove any printed materials or lesson plans developed by contract agencies.

h. To the extent that time and resources are available, nutrition education may be provided to applicants who are not eligible to receive other WIC services.

**73.10(2) Education of contract agency personnel.** Agencies accepting WIC funds shall be responsible for ensuring that all agency staff or contractors are adequately trained for their responsibilities. At a minimum, training shall include the components described in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

Continuing education is an allowable WIC administrative expense for contract agency staff and contractors who provide nutrition education.

**641—73.11(135) Health services.** The WIC program shall serve in the arrangement of ongoing health services for its participants. Health services are defined to include ongoing, routine pediatric and obstetrical care, and referral for diagnosis and treatment of any other condition. Contract agencies not able to provide such health services directly shall enter into written agreements with other public health agency(ies) or private physician to ensure availability of health services.

**73.11(1) Written agreements.**

a. *Contract for services.* Contract agencies shall maintain an annual written, contractual agreement with any health agency performing WIC health assessments, whether for fee or exchange of service.

b. *Memorandum of understanding.* Contract agencies shall maintain a current memorandum of understanding with any health agency designated to provide ongoing health services to WIC participants and with any agency providing referral data for precertification of infants and pregnant women.

**73.11(2) Referral procedures.** The contract agency shall be responsible for referral of WIC participants to appropriate health care providers, as determined by the WIC health professional's assessment of their condition.

a. *Authorization for release of information.* Except as indicated below, before releasing medical or other personal information, including name, to an outside agency, the contract agency shall secure the participant's or parent/legal guardian's written authorization to release such information. A statement shall be signed for each specific provider to which information is being sent. The information contained in individual participant records shall be confidential pursuant to 7 CFR 246.26.

Referrals to the department of human services' child protective services for investigation of potential child abuse or to a law enforcement agency conducting an active criminal investigation may be made without obtaining a written release of information. Procedures for responding to a subpoena are made in accordance with the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*b. The referral form.* A standard referral form, as provided by the department, shall be completed and sent to the referral agency. Documentation and follow-up are made in accord with the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

**641—73.12(135) Appeals and fair hearings—local agencies and vendors.**

**73.12(1) Right of appeal.** The right to appeal shall be granted when a local agency's or a vendor's application to participate is denied. The right to appeal shall also be granted when, during the course of the contract or agreement period, a local agency or vendor is disqualified or any other action which affects participation is taken. For participating vendors, a minimum of 30 days' advance notice will be given before the effective date of the action. For participating contract agencies, a minimum of 60 days' advance notice will be given before the effective date of the action. The right to appeal shall not be granted in the following circumstances:

- a.* When a vendor's contract expires.
- b.* When the department makes a determination regarding participant access.
- c.* When a vendor is disqualified from the WIC program as a result of a food stamp program disqualification.
- d.* When a vendor does not agree with the validity or appropriateness of selection criteria defined in 73.8(4).

**73.12(2) Request for hearing.** An appeal is brought by filing a written request for a hearing with the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, within ten days of receipt of notification of the adverse action. The written request for hearing shall state the adverse action being appealed.

**73.12(3) Contested cases.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information that may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**73.12(4) Notice of hearing.** The administrative law judge (ALJ) shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing as expeditiously as possible. Hearings shall be conducted by telephone or in person in Des Moines at the Lucas State Office Building or other suitable location. If necessary, parties will be provided at least two opportunities to have the hearing rescheduled.

**73.12(5) Conduct of hearing.** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code, and federal regulations found at 7 CFR 246.24. Copies of these regulations are available from the department of inspections and appeals upon request.

**73.12(6) Decision.** A written decision of the ALJ shall be issued, where possible, within 60 days from the date of the request for a hearing unless the parties agree to a longer period of time.

**73.12(7) Decision of ALJ.** When the ALJ makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 73.12(8).

**73.12(8) Appeal to director.** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the ALJ shall be filed in writing and mailed to the Director, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the ALJ's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the ALJ. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**73.12(9) Record of hearing.** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the ALJ shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a.* All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b.* All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.

- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the hearing officer.

**73.12(10) *Decision of director.*** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**73.12(11) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**73.12(12) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

#### **641—73.13(135) Right to appeal—participant.**

**73.13(1) *Right of appeal.*** A WIC participant shall have the right to appeal whenever a decision or action of the department or contract agency results in the individual's denial of participation, disqualification, or termination from the WIC program. All hearings shall be conducted in accordance with these rules.

**73.13(2) *Notification of appeal rights and right to hearing.*** Each program participant shall be notified in writing of the participant's right to appeal at the time of application and at the time of denial of eligibility or termination from the program (on Denial or Termination of Eligibility Form). Appeal and hearing notices shall also be written, posted, and immediately available at contract agencies to explain the method by which a hearing is requested, and that the participant may present arguments at the hearing either personally or through a representative such as a relative, friend, legal counsel, or other spokesperson.

**73.13(3) *Request for hearing.*** A request for hearing by an individual or the individual's parent, guardian, or other representative must be made in writing. The request for hearing shall be made to the contract agency within 90 days from the date the individual receives notice of the decision or action that is the subject of appeal.

**73.13(4) *Receipt of benefits during appeal.*** Participants who are involuntarily terminated from the WIC program prior to the end of the standard certification period shall continue to receive program benefits while the decision to terminate is under administrative appeal, provided that subsequent certifications are completed as required. Participants who are terminated because of categorical ineligibility (e.g., a child over five years of age) shall not continue to receive benefits during the administrative appeal period. Participants who are terminated at the end of a certification period for failure to reapply, following notice of expiration of certification, shall not continue to receive benefits during the administrative appeal period. Applicants who are denied program benefits at the initial certification or at subsequent recertifications, due to a finding of ineligibility, shall not receive benefits during the administrative appeal period.

**73.13(5) *Hearing officer.*** The hearing officer shall be impartial, shall not have been directly involved in the initial determination of the action being contested, and shall not have a personal stake in the decision. If the party filing the appeal objects prior to a scheduled hearing to a contract agency director serving as a hearing officer in a case involving the director's own agency, another hearing officer shall be selected and, if necessary, the hearing shall be rescheduled as expeditiously as possible. Contract agencies may seek the assistance of the state WIC office in the appointment of a hearing officer.

**73.13(6) *Notice of hearing.*** The hearing officer shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing as expeditiously as possible. Parties shall receive notice of the hearing at least ten days in advance of the

scheduled hearing. The hearing shall be accessible to the party requesting the hearing. The hearing shall be scheduled within three weeks from the date the contract agency received the request for a hearing, or as soon as possible thereafter, unless a later date is agreed upon by the parties.

**73.13(7) *Conduct of hearing.*** The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with federal regulations found at 7 CFR Section 246.23. Copies of these regulations are available from the contract agency and the department. At a minimum, the party requesting the hearing or the party's representative shall have the opportunity to:

- a. Examine, prior to and during the hearing, the documents and records presented to support the decision under appeal;
- b. Be assisted or represented by an attorney or other person at the party's own expense;
- c. Bring witnesses;
- d. Question or refute any testimony or evidence, including an opportunity to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses;
- e. Submit evidence to establish all pertinent facts and circumstances in the case;
- f. Advance arguments without undue interference.
- g. If a participant fails to attend the hearing, the agency will reschedule the hearing and give the participant 20 days' notice. The participant may have another person as the participant's designee. If neither the participant nor the designee attends the second hearing, the appeal will be closed.

**73.13(8) *Decision.*** Decisions of the hearing officer shall be in writing and shall be based on evidence presented at the hearing. The decision shall summarize the facts of the case, specify the reasons for the decision, and identify the supporting evidence and pertinent regulations or policy. The decision shall be issued within 45 days of the receipt of the request for a hearing, unless a longer period is agreed upon by the parties.

**73.13(9) *Appeal of decision to the department.*** If either party to a hearing receives an unfavorable decision, that decision may be appealed to the department. Such appeals must be made within 15 days of the mailing date of the decision. Appeals shall be sent to the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**73.13(10) *Contested case.*** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the Iowa department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information that may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the Iowa department of inspections and appeals.

**73.13(11) *Hearing.*** Parties shall receive notice of the hearing in advance. The administrative law judge shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing so that the hearing is held as expeditiously as possible. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the Iowa department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**73.13(12) *Decision of administrative law judge.*** The administrative law judge's decision shall be issued within 60 days from the date of request for hearing. When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final decision without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 73.13(13).

**73.13(13) *Appeal to director.*** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the Director, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**73.13(14) *Record of hearing.*** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.

- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**73.13(15) *Decision of director.*** An appeal to the director shall be based on the record of the hearing before the administrative law judge. The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final decision upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**73.13(16) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**73.13(17) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**73.13(18) *Benefits after decision.*** If a final decision is in favor of the person requesting a hearing and benefits were denied or discontinued, benefits shall begin immediately and continue pending further review should an appeal to district court be filed. If a final decision is in favor of the contract agency, benefits shall be terminated, if still being received, as soon as administratively possible after the issuance of the decision. Benefits denied during an administrative appeal period may not be awarded retroactively following a final decision in favor of a person applying for benefits.

**641—73.14(135) *State monitoring of contract agencies.*** The department shall review contract agency operations through use of reports and documents submitted, state-generated data processing reports, and on-site visits for evaluation and technical assistance.

**73.14(1) *On-site visits.*** Department staff shall visit contract agencies whenever necessary, to review operations and ensure compliance with state and federal regulations.

**73.14(2) *Request for written reports.*** The department may request written progress reports from contract agencies within specified times.

**73.14(3) *Qualifications of department reviewers.*** At minimum, one of the persons from the department responsible for reviewing a contract agency shall be a licensed dietitian.

**641—73.15(135) *Migrant services.*** To meet the WIC needs of migrant workers within the state, a contract or work agreement shall be maintained with at least one contract migrant service agency within the state to provide or assist in the provision of service to this population.

**641—73.16(135) *Civil rights.*** The Iowa WIC program shall operate in compliance with the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1973, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, amended 1972, the State of Iowa Civil Rights Act of 1965, the Age Discrimination Act of 1967, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Iowa Executive Order #15 of 1973, Executive Order #11246 of 1965 as amended by Executive Order #11375 of 1967, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1991 to ensure the rights of all individuals under this program.

**641—73.17(135) *Audits.*** Each contract agency shall ensure an audit of the WIC program within the agency at least every two years, to be conducted by a private certified public accountant or in accord with applicable Office of Management and Budget Circulars: A-128, Audits of State and Local Governments, and A-133, Audits of Institutions of Higher Education and Other Nonprofit Institutions. Each audit shall

cover all unaudited periods through the end of the previous grant year. The department's audit guide shall be followed to ensure an audit that meets federal and state requirements.

**641—73.18(135) Reporting.** Completion of grant applications, budgets, expenditure reports and written responses to the department's monitoring for the WIC program shall be conducted by contract agencies in compliance with the formats and procedures outlined by the department in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual, as specified in the contract entered into by the department and the contract agency.

**641—73.19(135) Program violation.** Participants or vendors are subject to the sanctions outlined below if determined by contract agency or department staff to be guilty of abusing the program or its regulations.

**73.19(1) Participant violation.** Violations may be detected by contract agency staff, by vendors, or by department staff. Information obtained by the department is forwarded to the contract agency for appropriate action.

*a.* Whenever possible, the participant is counseled in person concerning the violation. Documentation is maintained according to procedures set forth in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual.

*b.* Participants who violate program regulations are subject to sanction in accordance with the schedule below:

Violation	Points Per Event
1. Attempting to purchase unauthorized brands/types of foods (i.e., incorrect brands of cereal, juices, etc.).	3
2. Attempting to cash food instrument for more than the possible value of the foods listed.	3
3. Not signing the food instrument at the time of purchase.	3
4. Attempting to cash food instruments after the last valid date.	4
5. Redeeming WIC food instruments at an unauthorized vendor.	4
6. Redeeming food instruments before the allowable date.	4
7. Attempting to cash food instruments that were signed prior to redemption at the vendor.	5
8. Redeeming WIC food instruments that were reported as lost or stolen.	5
9. Attempting to purchase more than the quantity of foods specified on the food instrument.	5
10. Verbal abuse or harassment of WIC or vendor employees.	5
11. Threat of physical abuse of WIC or vendor employees.	10
12. Attempting to sell, return, or exchange foods for cash or credit.	10
13. Attempting to purchase unauthorized (non-WIC) foods, such as meat, canned goods, etc.	10
14. Attempting to purchase items that are not food.	10
15. Sale or exchange of WIC food instruments for cash or credit.	10
16. Altering a food instrument (e.g., changing last valid date, food item or quantity).	10
17. Attempting to redeem food instrument issued to another participant.	10
18. Receiving more than one set of benefits for the same time period.	10
19. Knowing and deliberate misrepresentation of circumstances to obtain benefits (resulting in a false determination of eligibility).	10
20. Attempting to steal WIC food instruments from a contract agency or participant.	10
21. Physical abuse of WIC contract agency or vendor employees.	10
22. Attempting to pick up food instruments for a child that is not currently in their care.	10



c. The accumulation of 10 violation points within a 12-month period will result in a 2-month disqualification.

The accumulation of 10 additional violation points within a 12-month period following the disqualification will result in a 3-month disqualification. The participant must then reapply for the program and be scheduled for a certification.

d. Fifteen days' notice must be given prior to all disqualifications. In all cases, the participant must be informed of the reason for the disqualification and of the right to appeal the decision through the fair hearing process.

e. A disqualification generally applies to all members of a family who are on the program. The competent professional authority may waive the disqualification for one or more members of the family if it is determined that a serious health risk may result from program disqualification. The reason for this waiver must be documented in the participant's file.

f. The cashing of one or more food instruments at the same time constitutes a single violation. Participants will not be charged with a second violation for minor violations worth 5 or fewer points for subsequent food instruments cashed between the first instance and the receipt of the violation notice if the violation is the same. If a major violation greater than 5 points occurs during this period, the participant will be disqualified. Violations are cumulative.

g. When a participant improperly received benefits as a result of intentionally making a false or misleading statement, or intentionally misrepresenting, concealing, or withholding facts, the department shall collect the cash value of the improperly used food instruments. Collection of overpayment is not required when the department determines it is not cost-effective to do so.

The contract agency shall issue a Statement of Restitution along with the disqualification notice. The statement lists the serial numbers and dollar value of the food instruments for which payment is required.

The participant is required to surrender any unspent food instruments and send payment to the department in check or money order for those food instruments that have been cashed.

h. Each contract agency shall maintain a master list of all participant violation notices, disqualifications, and statements of restitution. The participant's notice of violation must also indicate when it is a second offense.

**73.19(2) Vendor violations.** There are five types of sanctions that are applied to vendors for violations of program regulations: nonpayment of food instruments, issuance of violation points, temporary disqualification, permanent disqualification, and civil money penalties.

a. Nonpayment of food instruments.

(1) As a result of prepayment reviews conducted by the state's bank, improperly completed food items are refused payment and returned to the vendor. Items screened during prepayment are authorized vendor stamp not present or legible in the "Pay to the Order of:" box on face of food instrument, missing signature, price exceeds maximum printed on face of food instrument.

(2) If the violation can be corrected by applying the authorized stamp, obtaining the proper signature, or reducing the price, the item may be resubmitted for payment. Federal banking regulations prohibit a financial instrument from being sent through the federal reserve system more than twice. If an improperly completed WIC food instrument is received by the state's bank a second time, it is voided and may not be redeposited.

b. Administrative and procedural violation points. Administrative and procedural violations are offenses to the provisions of the WIC vendor agreement that do not rise to the level of fraud against the program or its participants.

These violations are an indication of a vendor's inattention to or disregard of the requirements of a WIC vendor agreement. It is in the department's interest to record and consider these violations when considering whether to continue its contractual relationship with the vendor.

One or more transactions prior to notification of the vendor constitute only one violation if they contain the same error.

The assignment of violation points does not limit the department's right to effect stronger penalties and sanctions in cases in which there is evidence of an intentional or systematic practice of abusing or defrauding the Iowa WIC program.

Violation	Points Per Event
1. Accepting food instrument(s) outside the valid dates of use.	5
2. Depositing food instrument(s) more than 15 days after purchase date.	5
3. Accepting food instrument(s) with no date stamp.	5
4. Refusal to accept valid WIC food instruments from participants.	10
5. Discriminatory treatment of WIC participants, such as requiring WIC participants to use special checkout lanes or provide extra identification.	10
6. Providing to WIC participants incentive items not prior authorized by the department.	10
7. Failure to carry out corrective action plan developed as a result of monitoring visit.	10
8. Failure to reimburse department for potentially overpaid food instrument or provide reasonable explanation for the cost of the food instrument.	5
9. Accepting the return of food purchased with WIC food instruments for cash or credit toward other purchases.	10
10. Failure to use the WIC vendor stamp issued by the Iowa WIC program.	5
11. Issuing "rain checks" or credit in exchange for WIC food instruments.	10
12. Stocking out-of-date, stale, or moldy WIC foods.	10
13. Failure to submit vendor price assessment reports as requested.	10
14. For vendors that have special WIC prices, failure to post WIC prices on the shelf or on the package.	15
15. Cashing food instrument(s) without amount, date of purchase, or participant signature.	15
16. Contacting WIC participants in an attempt to recover funds not paid by WIC.	15
17. Providing false information on the price assessment report.	15
18. Failure to train all employees and ensure their knowledge regarding WIC program procedures set forth in the vendor's current agreement and in the current publication of the Iowa WIC program's vendor instruction booklet.	10
19. Requiring WIC participants to purchase a particular brand when other WIC-approved brands are available.	10
20. Not allowing WIC participants to use discount coupons or promotional specials to reduce the WIC food instrument amount.	10
21. Requiring other cash purchases to redeem WIC food instruments.	15
22. Failure to allow purchase of up to the full amount of WIC foods authorized on the food instrument if such foods are available and desired by the WIC participant.	20

c. One-year disqualification. With an administrative finding of the following violations, the vendor will be disqualified for one year.

(1) Accumulation of 45 or more violation points within a single federal fiscal year of the agreement period.

(2) Allowing purchase of nonapproved and nonsimilar food items in exchange for WIC food instruments.

(3) Failure to provide access to store premises or in any manner to hinder, impede or misinform authorized WIC personnel in the act of conducting an on-site education, monitoring or investigation visit.

(4) Loss of Iowa department of inspections and appeals license.

(5) Submitting for payment a WIC food instrument redeemed by another authorized vendor.

(6) Threatening or verbally abusing WIC participants or authorized WIC program personnel in the conduct of legitimate WIC program transactions.

*d.* With an administrative finding of the following violations, the vendor will be disqualified from being a WIC vendor for three years.

(1) A pattern of charging WIC participants more than non-WIC customers or charging WIC participants more than the current shelf price.

(2) A pattern of charging for items not received by the WIC participant or for foods provided in excess of those listed on the WIC food instrument.

(3) A pattern of providing credit or nonfood items, except for alcohol, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco products, in exchange for WIC food instruments.

(4) One incidence of allowing the purchase of alcohol, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco products with a WIC food instrument.

(5) A pattern of receiving, transacting, or redeeming WIC food instruments outside authorized channels, including through unauthorized vendors or persons.

(6) A pattern of claiming reimbursement for the sale of a quantity of a specific food item which exceeds the store's documented inventory of that food item for a specified period of time.

(7) Submission for payment of WIC food instruments known by the vendor to have been lost or stolen.

*e.* With an administrative finding of the following violations, the vendor will be disqualified for six years.

(1) One incidence of buying or selling food instruments for cash (trafficking).

(2) Participating with other individuals including but not limited to WIC employees, vendors, and participants, in systematic efforts to submit false claims for reimbursement of improper WIC food instruments.

(3) One incidence of selling firearms, ammunition, explosives, or controlled substances (as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)) in exchange for WIC food instruments.

*f.* With a conviction in a criminal court of law for trafficking in WIC food instruments or selling firearms, ammunition, explosives, or controlled substances (as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)) in exchange for WIC food instruments, the vendor will be permanently disqualified from the Iowa WIC program. The department may impose a civil money penalty (CMP) in lieu of a disqualification when it determines, in its sole discretion, that:

(1) Disqualification of the vendor would result in inadequate participant access; or

(2) The vendor had, at the time of the violation, an effective policy and program in effect to prevent trafficking; and the ownership of the vendor was not aware of, did not approve of, and was not involved in the conduct of the violation.

*g.* The following items do not have a point value, but shall result in or extend a disqualification period:

(1) Failure to return WIC vendor stamp(s) to the WIC program within 10 days of effective date of disqualification, or expiration of agreement following denial of subsequent application, shall result in a 30-day extension of a disqualification period.

(2) For each month in which a vendor accepts WIC food instruments during a disqualification period, the disqualification period shall be extended by 30 days.

*h.* The above sanctions notwithstanding, the state of Iowa reserves the right to seek civil and criminal prosecution of WIC vendors for any and all instances of dealing in stolen or lost food instruments, trading cash and other inappropriate commodities for food instruments, or cases in which there exists evidence of a clear business practice to improperly obtain WIC funds, or other practices meeting the definition of fraud as defined in 7 CFR 246 or the Iowa Code.

*i.* A vendor shall not be entitled to receive any compensation for revenues lost as a result of any temporary or permanent disqualification.

*j.* A minimum of 15 days' notice is provided prior to all disqualifications, except for permanent disqualifications assessed under paragraph 73.19(2) "f," which are effective on the date of receipt of the notice of administrative action. When the department determines that an offense has occurred, a disqualification letter with supporting documentation is prepared for the WIC director's signature. The

disqualification letter identifies the specific offenses that the vendor is charged with and the procedures for filing an appeal.

*k.* The department is responsible for issuing all warning and disqualification letters. Contract agencies are informed of all vendor correspondence regarding violations. In situations where participant violations are also involved, the contract agency is responsible for follow-up, as detailed in subrule 73.19(1).

*l.* Federal food stamp regulations require automatic disqualification from the food stamp program for vendors disqualified by the WIC program for certain types of violations. When a vendor is disqualified from the WIC program, the disqualification letter to the vendor will include the following statement: "This disqualification from WIC may result in disqualification as a retailer in the food stamp program. Such disqualification may not be subject to administrative or judicial review under the food stamp program." For all vendor disqualifications from the WIC program, notice will be sent to the United States Department of Agriculture for appropriate action.

*m.* The department shall disqualify a vendor who has been disqualified from the food stamp program. The disqualification shall be for the same length of time as the food stamp program disqualification, may begin at a later date than the food stamp program disqualification, and shall not be subject to administrative or judicial review under the WIC program. If the department determines that disqualification of a vendor would result in inadequate participant access, it will impose a civil money penalty (CMP) in lieu of disqualification.

*n.* Civil money penalties.

(1) When the department determines that a civil money penalty (CMP) shall be imposed in lieu of disqualification for reasons specified under paragraph 73.19(2) "*f*" or 73.19(2) "*m*," it shall use the civil money penalty formula in accordance with Title 7 CFR Subpart 246.12(k)(1)(x) to determine the CMP.

(2) If a vendor does not pay, only partially pays, or fails to timely pay a CMP, the department will disqualify the vendor for the length of the disqualification corresponding to the violation for which the CMP was assessed. "Failure to timely pay a CMP" includes the failure to pay a CMP in accordance with an installment plan approved by the department.

(3) Money received by the state WIC agency as a result of civil money penalties or fines assessed against a vendor and any interest charged in the collection of these penalties and fines shall be considered as program income.

**641—73.20(135) Data processing.** All contract agencies shall comply with the instructions outlined in the Iowa WIC Policy and Procedure Manual for use of the automated data processing system in provision of WIC food instruments and monitoring of WIC services. No contract agency is exempted from adherence to any portion of these instructions.

**641—73.21(135) Outreach.** Outreach efforts within the Iowa WIC program shall be directed toward extension of services to the neediest Iowans of high priority by reason of their WIC status (see 7 CFR 246.1(d)3). The department and contract agencies shall share responsibility for the conduct of outreach efforts.

**73.21(1) Contract agency responsibilities.** Contract agencies shall conduct any or all of the following outreach activities annually:

- a.* Employ outreach worker(s).
- b.* Submit for publication a minimum of two newspaper articles on WIC in the local community.
- c.* Distribute WIC brochures to numerous community organizations and offices.
- d.* Hold informational meetings for county social service departments, including food stamp program staff, drug/alcohol abuse counseling services, family investment program staff, and child abuse staff; and for public health nurse offices, physician offices, maternal and child health programs, Head Start programs, dental programs, family planning programs, nutrition professional groups, nursing professional groups, extension services, parent-teacher and other community organizations.

**73.21(2) Reserved.**

**641—73.22(135) Caseload management.** The statewide caseload (number of participants) shall be managed by the department in accord with funding limitations and federal regulations or directives. The federally established priority categories of participant shall be followed when limitation of services is necessary in accord with 7 CFR 246.7(d)3. In addition the following rules shall apply:

**73.22(1)** A contract agency shall maintain a waiting list only when the department determines that sufficient funds are not available to meet demand.

**73.22(2)** When a waiting list has been authorized, contract agencies shall certify applicants of potential highest priority first (e.g., women and infants) and potential lower priority second (children). Within these priority groups, applicants shall be offered certification appointments in the order of placement on the list.

**73.22(3)** When insufficient funds are available to serve all priority categories, the department shall provide instructions to contract agencies regarding which priority categories may continue to be certified.

**73.22(4)** When necessitated by federal funding restrictions, the department reserves the right to terminate or temporarily suspend benefits for categories of participants prior to the end of their certification period. Each participant shall be advised in writing 15 days before the effective date of the reasons for the action and of the right to a fair hearing.

**641—73.23(135) Grant application procedures for contract agencies.** Private, nonprofit or public agencies wishing to provide WIC services shall file a letter of intent to make application to the department no later than April 1 of the competitive year. Applications shall be to administer WIC services for a specified project period, as defined in the request for proposal, with an annual continuation application. The contract period shall be from October 1 to September 30 annually. All materials submitted as part of the grant application are considered public records in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 22, after a notice of award is made by the department. Notification of the availability of funds and grant application procedures will be provided in accordance with the department rules found in 641—Chapter 176.

Contract agencies are selected on the basis of the grant applications submitted to the department. The department will consider only applications from private nonprofit or public agencies. In the case of competing applications, the contract will be awarded to the agency that scores the highest number of points in the review. Copies of review criteria are available from: Chief, Bureau of Nutrition and Health Promotion, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, (515)281-4913.

**641—73.24(135) Participant rights.** The special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants and children shall be open to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, sex, creed, age, mental/physical handicap or national origin. An applicant or participant may appeal any decision made by the contract agency or department regarding the applicant's or participant's eligibility for the program.

These rules are intended to implement federal law 42 U.S.C. Section 1786, and Iowa Code sections 10A.202(1) "h" and 135.11(1).

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CHAPTER 74  
FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES  
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**641—74.1(135) Program explanation.** The Iowa department of public health is a designated agency to operate the family planning program pursuant to an agreement with the federal government. Congress authorized grants to assist in the establishment and operation of family planning projects which offer a broad range of acceptable and effective family planning methods, including natural family planning, infertility services and services to adolescents. The majority of the funding available is from the Title X, family planning services grant, administered by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

The purpose of the program is to promote the health of persons of reproductive age and families by providing access to family planning and reproductive health promotion services.

The department, bureau of family health, enters into contracts with selected private and public agencies within the department family planning service area for the provision of family planning services. A description of the department family planning service area can be obtained from the Chief, Bureau of Family Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

The maternal and child health (MCH) advisory council assists in the development of the state plan for MCH, including children with special health care needs and family planning. The advisory council assists with the assessment of need, prioritization of services, establishment of objectives, and encouragement of public support for MCH and family planning programs. In addition, the advisory council advises the director regarding health and nutrition services for women and children, supports the development of special projects and conferences and advocates for health and nutrition services for women and children. The director appoints the council membership. Membership shall include parents of and service providers for children with special health care needs. Council membership shall also include the chairs, or designees, of the department's advisory committee for perinatal guidelines and the birth defects advisory committee to ensure coordination of each committee's respective issues and priorities. The chair of the family services grantee committee or the designee of the chair may serve as an ex officio member of the council.

**641—74.2(135) Adoption by reference.** Federal regulations found at 42 CFR Subpart A, Part 59, and the Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services shall be the regulations governing the Iowa family planning program and are incorporated by reference herein.

Copies of the federal regulations adopted by reference are available from the Chief, Bureau of Family Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**641—74.3(135) Rule coverage.** These rules cover the agencies that have a contract with the department to provide family planning services and receive funds from the department for that purpose.

**641—74.4(135) Definitions.**

*"Applicant"* means a private nonprofit or public agency that seeks a contract with the department to provide family planning services and receives funds from the department for that purpose.

*"Client"* means an individual who receives family planning services through a contract agency.

*"Contract agency or contractor"* means a private nonprofit or public agency within the department family planning service area that has a contract with the department to provide family planning services and receives funds from the department for that purpose.

*"Department"* means the Iowa department of public health.

*"DHHS"* means the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*"DIA"* means the Iowa department of inspections and appeals.

*"Director"* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*"Family"* means a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption or residing together. A pregnant woman is considered as two individuals when calculating the number of individuals

in the family. If a pregnant woman is expecting multiple births, the family size is increased by the number expected in the multiple birth.

*“Family planning”* means the promotion of reproductive and family health by the prevention of and planning for pregnancy, and reproductive health education.

*“Health education”* means services provided by a health professional to include teaching about normal anatomy and physiology, contraception, risk assessment, safety and injury prevention, signs or symptoms indicating need for medical care, and other anticipatory guidance topics.

*“Health professional”* means an individual who is licensed to provide health care or social services within their scope of practice.

*“Health services”* means services provided by family planning contract agencies.

*“Medicaid”* means the Medicaid program authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act and funded through the Iowa department of human services from DHHS.

*“OMB”* means the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Management and Budget.

*“Performance standards”* means criteria or indicators of the quality of service provided or the capability of an agency to provide services in a cost-effective or efficient manner as defined in “Iowa Department of Public Health Family Planning Manual” and the federal regulations found at 42 CFR Subpart A, Part 59, and the Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services.

*“Title X”* means the federal requirements contained in 42 CFR Subpart A, Part 59, and the Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services.

*“Title XX”* means the combined federal and state dollars in the Social Services Block Grant allocated to pay for family planning services.

**641—74.5(135) Grant application procedures for contract agencies.** Notification of the availability of funds and grant application procedures will be provided in accordance with the department rules found in 641—Chapter 176. Eligible applicants include only private nonprofit or public agencies. Private nonprofit or public agencies seeking to provide Title X family planning center services shall file a letter of intent to make application to the department no later than April 1 of the competitive year. The request for proposals shall identify the project period and the contract period. Contract agencies are selected on the basis of the grant applications submitted to the department. In the case of competing applications, the contract will be awarded to the applicant that scores the highest number of points in the review. Copies of review criteria are available from the Chief, Bureau of Family Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. All materials submitted as part of the grant application are considered public records in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 22, after a notice of award is made by the department.

**641—74.6(135) Funding levels for contract agencies.** The amount of funds available to each contract agency on an annual basis shall be determined by the department using a methodology based upon dollars available, number of clients enrolled, and selected needs criteria.

**641—74.7(135) Agency performance.** Contract agencies are required to provide services in accordance with these rules.

**74.7(1) Performance standards.** The department shall establish performance standards that contract agencies shall meet in the provision of public health services in addition to meeting all federal requirements. The performance standards for community-based agencies are published in the document “Iowa Department of Public Health Family Planning Manual.” Copies of the performance standards are available from the Chief, Bureau of Family Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Contract agencies that do not meet the performance standards shall not be eligible for continued funding as a family planning agency unless the contract agency has secured an exception.

**74.7(2) Contract agency review.** The state agency shall review contract agency operations through use of reports and documents submitted, state-generated data reports, chart audits, on-site and clinic visits for evaluation and technical assistance.



**74.7(3) Exception.** An agency that does not meet a performance standard or fails to meet action plans as approved by the department may be granted an exception for up to one year in order to improve performance. Such an exception must be requested in writing. If granted, the approval for the exception will include the conditions necessary for the successful completion of the standard, a time frame, and additional reporting requirements. The procedures for applying for and approving an exception are outlined in the “Iowa Department of Public Health Family Planning Manual.”

**641—74.8(135) Reporting.** Contract agencies shall complete grant applications, a budget, expenditure reports, an annual progress report, a family planning annual report, and data forms in compliance with the terms of the contract.

**641—74.9(135) Fiscal management.** All contract agencies are required to meet certain fiscal management policies.

**74.9(1) Last pay.** Family planning grant funds are considered last pay. Title XIX, Title XX and other third parties are to be billed first if the client is covered by those sources.

**74.9(2) Program income.** Program income means gross income earned by the contractor from activities in which part or all of the cost is either borne as a direct cost by a grant or counted as a direct cost toward providing services. It includes but is not limited to such income in the form of Title XIX and Title XX fees for services, third-party reimbursements, client fees, and proceeds from sales of tangible personal or real property.

Program income shall be used for allowable costs of the project. Program income shall be used prior to the use of funds received from the department. Excess program income may be retained to establish a three-month operating capital. Program income shall be used during the current fiscal year or the following fiscal year. Five percent of unobligated program income may be used by the contract agency for special purposes or projects provided such use furthers the mission of the family planning program and does not violate state rules or federal regulations governing the program.

**74.9(3) Advances.** A contract agency may request an advance up to one-sixth of its contract at the beginning of a contract year. The amount of any advance shall be deducted prior to the end of the fiscal year.

**74.9(4) Subcontracts.** Contract agencies may subcontract a portion of the project activity to another entity provided such subcontract is approved by the department. Subcontract agencies must follow the same rules, procedures, and policies as required of the contract agency by these rules and contract with the department. The contract agency is responsible for ensuring the compliance of the subcontract agency. Subcontract agencies may not subcontract these project activities with other entities.

**641—74.10(135) Audits.** Every two years, each contract agency shall undergo financial audit of the family planning program. The audit shall be conducted in compliance with OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Each audit shall cover all unaudited periods through the end of the previous grant year. The department’s audit guide should be followed to ensure an audit which meets federal and state requirements.

**641—74.11(135) Denial, suspension, revocation, or reduction of contracts with contract agencies.** The department may deny, suspend, revoke, or reduce contracts with contract agencies in accord with applicable federal regulations or contractual relationships. Notice of such action shall be in writing.

**641—74.12(135) Right to appeal—contract agency.** Contract agencies may appeal denial of a contract or the suspension, revocation or reduction of an existing contract.

**74.12(1) Appeal.** The appeal shall be made in writing to the department within ten days of receipt of notification of the adverse action. Notice is to be addressed to the Director, Division of Community Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**74.12(2) Contested case.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the DIA pursuant to the rules adopted by the DIA regarding

the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the DIA.

**74.12(3) Hearing.** Parties shall receive notice of the hearing in advance. The administrative law judge shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing so that the hearing is held as expeditiously as possible. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the DIA found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**74.12(4) Decision of administrative law judge.** The administrative law judge's decision shall be issued within 60 days from the date of request for hearing. When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final decision without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 76.17(5).

**74.12(5) Appeal to the director.** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**74.12(6) Record of hearing.** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**74.12(7) Decision of director.** An appeal to the director shall be based on the record made at the hearing. The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final decision upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**74.12(8) Exhausting administrative remedies.** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A. Petition for judicial review must be filed within 30 days after decision becomes final.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.11.

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CHAPTER 75  
STATEWIDE OBSTETRICAL AND  
NEWBORN INDIGENT PATIENT CARE PROGRAM

**641—75.1(255A) Definitions.**

*“Applicant”* means a person for whom assistance under this program is being requested.

*“Delivery”* means that the delivery occurs after 20 weeks gestation.

*“Director”* means the administrator of a maternal health center or other designated agency.

*“Family”* means a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption who reside together or a unit of one who is an unrelated individual not living with any relatives. The unborn fetus will be counted as a family member.

*“Nonquota case”* means a patient who is provided obstetrical or newborn care services at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics under the indigent nonquota obstetrical care program established pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 255 and referenced in Iowa Code section 255A.2.

*“Obstetrical and newborn care services”* means those types of services as recognized by the latest editions of The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, “Standards for Obstetric-Gynecologic Services” and The American Academy of Pediatrics, “Standards and Recommendations for Hospital Care of Newborn Infants.”

*“Poverty level”* means poverty income guidelines established by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*“Program”* means the obstetrical and newborn indigent patient care program for quota cases.

*“Provider”* means a licensed hospital or a licensed physician who agrees to service eligible patients.

*“Quota case”* means a patient who is provided obstetrical or newborn care by a licensed hospital or physician under the obstetrical indigent patient quota program established pursuant to Iowa Code section 255A.4.

*“Resident”* means the individual is a legal resident of the state and resides in one of the designated 90 counties.

*“Spendedown”* means the process by which an applicant obligates income for allowable medical expenses to reduce income to a qualifying level. The medical expenses used for spenddown cannot be paid for with funds from this program.

*“Spendedown interval”* means one month for delivery services and six months for antepartum and delivery services.

**641—75.2(255A) Covered services.** The following obstetrical and newborn care services may be provided through the obstetrical indigent patient care program:

1. Antepartum and postpartum care except where patient qualifies for antepartum and postpartum care provided by the department of public health, maternal and child health care program.
2. Normal delivery.
3. Cesarean section.
4. Newborn hospital care.
5. Sick newborns who qualify as a quota case will be covered until the patient is stabilized and transferred to University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, where the patient may be eligible to receive care as a county quota indigent patient pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 255.
6. Inpatient transportation from one hospital to another when authorized by a medical provider.
7. One outpatient visit for false labor.
8. Excluded services for quota cases will include but not be limited to elective abortion, elective hysterectomy, circumcision, nonobstetric related procedures and services.

**641—75.3(255A) Quota assignment.** The department of public health shall establish the quota annually for each county. The formula used shall be based upon, but not limited to, the following criteria:

1. Dollars available to the program.
2. Average number of births for the most recent three-year period for each county.

3. Per capita income for each county.

**641—75.4(255A) Eligibility criteria.** The certification process to determine eligibility for services under this program will include the following requirements:

**75.4(1) Income.**

a. Income guidelines will be set at 185 percent of the poverty income guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. State income guidelines will be adjusted following any change in Department of Health and Human Services guidelines.

b. Income information will be provided by the applicant, who will attest in writing to the accuracy of the information contained on the application. The director may request verification of income.

c. All earned and unearned income of family members as defined by DHHS poverty guidelines will be used in calculating the applicant's gross income for purposes of determining initial and continued eligibility.

d. Income will be estimated prospectively as follows:

(1) Annual income will be estimated based on the applicant's income for the past three months unless the applicant's income will be changing or has changed, or

(2) In the case of self-employed families the past year's income tax return will be used in estimating annual income unless a substantial change has occurred.

(3) Terminated income will not be considered.

e. An applicant for obstetric services under this program whose income falls between 185 percent and 300 percent of the poverty level guidelines may qualify through spenddown of medical expenses of all family members as follows:

(1) The applicant must provide copies of medical bills or a statement from the providers of projected medical expenses.

(2) Medical expenses which can be used to meet spenddown are as follows:

1. Health insurance premiums, deductibles, or coinsurance charges.

2. Medical and dental expenses as defined by the Internal Revenue Service.

(3) In order to qualify with spenddown, the amount of spenddown, adjusted by one-twelfth, must be equal to or less than the projected and actual medical expenses.

**75.4(2) Resources.**

a. The resource limitation for an applicant will be \$10,000 per household.

b. The following are countable resources:

(1) Unobligated cash.

(2) Savings accounts.

(3) Stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, excluding Internal Revenue Service defined retirement plans.

c. Resource information will be provided by the applicant, who will attest in writing to the accuracy of the information contained on the application. The director may request verification of resources.

**75.4(3) Noneligibility for Title XIX or medically needy without spenddown.** In order to be eligible, the applicant must not be eligible for services under Title XIX or the medically needy program without a spenddown.

**75.4(4) Residency.** The applicant for this program must be a legal resident of Iowa currently living in any county except Clinton, Cedar, Scott, Muscatine, Louisa, Washington, Iowa, Johnson, or Keokuk.

**641—75.5(255A) Application procedures.**

**75.5(1)** A person desiring obstetrical and newborn care under this program, or the parent or guardian of a minor desiring such care, may apply to the director of the maternal health center serving the person's county of residence at any time between confirmation of the pregnancy and not later than 60 days after delivery. If there is no maternal health center covering that county, the department will designate an agency.

**75.5(2)** The applicant will provide the following information to be considered for eligibility under this program:

*a.* Income and resource information on an application form.

*b.* Written verification obtained from the department of human services certifying that the applicant is not eligible for Title XIX or the medically needy program without a spenddown. The applicant will submit this copy within 60 days of applying with the director. To meet this 60-day deadline, the applicant will need to apply with the department of human services before or immediately after contacting the director.

**75.5(3)** Assignment of quotas shall be on a first-come, first-served basis based upon application date.

**75.5(4)** The director will provide written notification to the applicant regarding determination of eligibility or noneligibility and applicant's right to appeal a denial.

**75.5(5)** After an applicant has been determined to be eligible, the patient or provider will report any changes in eligibility or status of pregnancy to the director within 10 days from the date the change occurred.

**75.5(6)** Standardized application, determination of eligibility, and certification forms will be furnished by the department of public health to the directors.

**75.5(7)** Copies of appropriate certification forms will be mailed by the director to the department of public health as follows:

*a.* In counties covered by the department of public health's maternal and child health program, certification forms will be sent at 26 weeks or more gestation.

*b.* In counties not covered by maternal and child health programs, certification forms will be sent upon determination of eligibility for patients whose antepartum care will also be paid through the program.

**75.5(8)** Receipt of a certification form for a quota patient by the department of public health shall be considered the point in time when the quota has been used.

**75.5(9)** A woman who resides in a county which exceeds the patient quota allocated for the county, and who meets eligibility under rule 75.4(255A) shall be served at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics pursuant to Iowa Code section 255.16. A woman who resides in a county with available quota and who meets eligibility under rule 75.4(255A) may be served at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics pursuant to Iowa Code section 255.16.

**75.5(10)** Maternal health center directors shall negotiate 28E agreements with general relief directors for the purpose of coordinating application and eligibility services for obstetric patients under Iowa Code chapter 255.

#### **641—75.6(255A) Reimbursement of providers.**

**75.6(1)** The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and other hospitals will submit their billings on the UB 82, uniform hospital billing form, and physicians will submit their billings on the Health Care Financing Administration form HCFA 1500. Forms will be furnished by the providers.

**75.6(2)** Providers will submit bills after delivery but not more than 60 days after the delivery or after determination of eligibility, whichever occurs later, to the department of public health.

**75.6(3)** Reimbursement for physicians and hospitals will be based upon the Title XIX rates. Bills will be adjusted accordingly by the department of public health and forwarded to the department of revenue and finance for payment.

**75.6(4)** Providers may be reimbursed for antepartum care prior to the patient becoming ineligible, as long as the patient is counted as a quota case.

**75.6(5)** On an annual basis the department of public health will furnish participating physicians with a list of reimbursable procedure codes and maximum rate.

**75.6(6)** The obstetrical indigent care fund is last pay. Private insurance shall be billed first.

**75.6(7)** All providers of services to quota obstetrical and newborn patients shall agree to accept as full payment the reimbursements allowable under the medical assistance program established pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 249A, up to a maximum of medical assistance's average reimbursement for the most

recent fiscal year. When the medical assistance reimbursement methodologies change, the maximum reimbursement may be based upon projection.

**75.6(8)** The obstetrical and newborn indigent program will pay, out of a set-aside fund, for certain cases that exceed the current year's maximum reimbursement rate. Cases that can be paid out of this fund are:

*a.* Allowable physician and hospital costs associated with DRGs 370, 371, 372, 374, 375 for the woman. Costs associated with DRGs 383, 384 will be covered if followed by a qualifying delivery event.

*b.* Allowable physician and hospital costs for the newborn associated with DRGs 385, 385.1, 389, 390.

*c.* Care provided to newborns under DRGs 386, 386.1, 387, 387.1, 388, 388.1, 389.1, 390.1 are defined under rule 75.2(255A) as being outside the scope of this program. These services could, however, be covered by Iowa Code chapter 255 or medically needy programs.

*d.* Physicians who provide obstetrical or newborn care at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics are not entitled to receive any compensation for the provision of such care to persons certified as eligible under this program.

**75.6(9)** In all other cases, the maximum reimbursement level will apply. If the total reimbursable charges exceed the maximum reimbursement level, reimbursement to providers will be prorated based upon allowable reimbursement amounts.

**75.6(10)** Certifications for quota cases received by June 30 will have medical assistance's average reimbursement and the 10 percent fund encumbered.

#### **641—75.7(255A) Reassignment of county quotas.**

**75.7(1)** Unused quota numbers will be assigned by the department of public health after March 31 of each year to counties according to receipt of request on a case-by-case, first-come basis.

**75.7(2)** Request for additional quotas cannot be made until all quotas have been used in a given county.

**75.7(3)** Requests for additional quotas may be submitted by directors and must be based on pending applications. Requests will be made on forms provided by the department of public health designed to provide necessary information regarding pending applications.

#### **641—75.8(255A) Appeals and fair hearings.**

**75.8(1)** *Right of appeal.* An applicant shall have the right to appeal whenever a decision of the director or the state program results in the individual's denial of eligibility for the program or denial as a quota case. No appeal can be filed for denial as a quota case, if there are no quotas available. Quotas would not be available if already assigned or sequestered to cases under appeal. Quotas will only be held when applicant is appealing a change in status.

**75.8(2)** *Request for reconsideration.* The applicant seeking to appeal shall first request reconsideration by the director of the denial of eligibility for this program or denial as a quota case. The written request shall be made within 15 days from the date the individual received notice of the decision which is the subject of appeal. The written request shall state the adverse decision being appealed and the reasons the applicant believes state standards were not correctly applied. The director shall reconsider the application and make a written determination with notice of right to appeal to the state within 10 days of receipt of the request. If the denial stands, the applicant may appeal to the department of public health.

**75.8(3)** *Request for hearing.* An appeal is brought by filing an appeal with the Division Director, Division of Family and Community Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, within 30 days of the director's final determination in subrule 75.8(2).

**75.8(4)** *Contested use.* Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**75.8(5) *Hearing.*** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**75.8(6) *Decision.*** A written decision of the hearing officer shall be issued, where possible, within 30 days from the date of the request for a hearing unless the parties agree to a longer period of time. The decision of the hearing shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings 10 days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director of public health is taken as provided in subrule 75.8(7).

**75.8(7) *Appeal to director.*** Any appeal to the director of public health for review of the proposed decision and order of the hearing officer shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director of public health by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within 10 days after the receipt of the hearing officer's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the hearing officer. Any appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**75.8(8) *Record of hearing.*** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the hearing officer shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director of public health. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the hearing officer.

**75.8(9) *Decision of director.*** The decision and order of the director of public health becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**75.8(10) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director of public health or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**75.8(11) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Division Director, Division of Family and Community Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

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CHAPTER 76  
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM

**641—76.1(135) Program explanation.** The maternal and child health (MCH) programs are operated by the Iowa department of public health as the designated state agency pursuant to an agreement with the federal government. The majority of the funding available is from the Title V, MCH services block grant, administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration within the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

The purpose of the program is to promote the health of mothers and children by ensuring or providing access to quality maternal and child health services (especially for low-income families or families with limited availability of health services); to reduce infant mortality and the incidence of preventable diseases and handicapping conditions; to increase the number of children appropriately immunized against disease; and to facilitate the development of community-based systems of health care for children and their families. The program provides and promotes family-centered, community-based coordinated care, including care/service coordination for children with special health care needs.

The department's family services bureau enters into contracts with selected private nonprofit or public agencies for the assurance of access to prenatal and postpartum care for women, preventive and primary child health services, and services to children with special health care needs. The types of services provided by these contracts are infrastructure building, population-based services, enabling services, and direct health services. The department's dental health bureau collaborates with the family services bureau to develop oral health programs to reduce barriers to oral health care and reduce dental disease through prevention. The children with special health care needs program is administered by Child Health Specialty Clinics (CHSC), University of Iowa. The department contracts with the University of Iowa department of pediatrics' Child Health Specialty Clinics to provide services to children with special health care needs. In accordance with the Maternal and Child Health Services Title V Block Grant Program administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, CHSC shall ensure that public health funds will be used to cover the cost of services only after all other sources of reimbursement have been exhausted.

The MCH advisory council assists in the development of the state plan for MCH, including children with special health care needs and family planning. The advisory council assists with assessment of need, prioritization of services, establishment of objectives, and encouragement of public support for MCH and family planning programs. In addition, the advisory council advises the director regarding health and nutrition services for women and children, supports the development of special projects and conferences and advocates for health and nutrition services for women and children. The director appoints the council membership. Membership shall include parents of and service providers for children with special health care needs. The council membership shall also include the chairs, or designees, of the department's advisory committee for perinatal guidelines, and the birth defects advisory committee to ensure coordination of their respective issues and priorities. The chair of the family services bureau grantee committee or the designee of the chair may serve as an ex-officio member of the council.

**641—76.2(135) Adoption by reference.** Federal requirements contained in the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1989 (Public Law 101-239), Title V, MCH services block grant shall be the rules governing the Iowa MCH program and are incorporated by reference herein.

The department finds that certain rules should be exempted from notice and public participation as being a very narrowly tailored category of rules for which notice and public participation are unnecessary as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(2). Such rules shall be those that are mandated by federal law governing the Iowa MCH program where the department has no option but to adopt such rules as specified and where federal funding for the MCH programs is contingent upon the adoption of the rules.

Copies of the federal legislation adopted by reference are available from Chief, Family Services Bureau, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**641—76.3(135) Rule coverage.** These rules cover agencies contracting with the department to provide community-based MCH public health services and to receive funds from the department for that purpose. The contract agencies conduct essential public health services directed toward the maternal and child health populations consistent with the state’s MCH services block grant state plan. The state plan is developed and administered collaboratively by the family services bureau of the department and CHSC.

**641—76.4(135) Definitions.**

“*Applicant*” means a private nonprofit or public agency that seeks a contract with the department to provide MCH services.

“*Care/service coordination*” means a process of linking the service system to the recipient and organizing the various elements in order to achieve a successful outcome. The terms “care coordination” and “service coordination” may be used interchangeably.

“*Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)*” means children with chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions that require health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally.

“*CHSC*” means Child Health Specialty Clinics, a statewide program for children with special health care needs authorized under Title V of the Social Security Act.

“*Client*” means an individual who receives MCH services through a contract agency.

“*CMS*” means the United States Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (formerly Health Care Financing Administration).

“*Contract agency*” means a private nonprofit or public agency that has a contract with the department to provide MCH services and receives funds from the department for that purpose.

“*Core public health functions*” means the functions of community health assessment, policy development, and assurance.

1. Assessment: regular collection, analysis, interpretation, and communication of information about health conditions, risks, and assets in a community.

2. Policy development: development, implementation, and evaluation of plans and policies, for public health in general and priority health needs in particular, in a manner that incorporates scientific information and community values and is in accordance with state public health policy.

3. Assurance: ensuring, by encouragement, regulation, or direct action, that programs and interventions that maintain and improve health are carried out.

“*Dental home*” means a usual source of dental care where dental care services are provided in a primary care setting where care is accessible, family-centered, continuous, comprehensive, coordinated, compassionate, and culturally competent. In addition, the dental care provider and parents partner to identify and access all the dental and nondental services needed to help children and their families achieve maximum oral health.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*DHHS*” means the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

“*DIA*” means the Iowa department of inspections and appeals.

“*Direct health services*” means those services generally delivered one-on-one between a health professional and a client in an office or clinic.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Enabling services*” means services that allow or provide for access to and the derivation of benefits from, the array of basic health care services and include activities such as outreach, case management, health education, transportation, translation, home visiting, smoking cessation, nutrition, support services, and others.

“*EPSDT*” means the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment program which provides for regular preventive health care services for children aged 0 to 21 as authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

“*Essential public health services*” means those activities carried out by public health entities and their contractors that fulfill the core public health functions in the promotion of maternal and child health.

*“Family,”* for the purpose of establishing eligibility, means a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage or adoption or residing together and functioning as one socioeconomic unit. For the purpose of these rules, a pregnant woman is considered as two individuals when calculating the number of individuals in the family. If a pregnant woman is expecting multiple births, the family size is thereby increased by the number expected in the multiple birth.

*“Family planning”* means the promotion of reproductive and family health by the prevention of and planning for pregnancy, and reproductive health education.

*“Gap filling”* means direct health services supported by Title V staff or resources that are needed by children with special health care needs but are not otherwise accessible in the community.

*“HAWK-I”* means healthy and well kids in Iowa and is the child health insurance program in Iowa as authorized in Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

*“HCFA”* means the DHHS, Health Care Finance Administration.

*“Health education”* means services provided by a health professional to include instruction about normal anatomy and physiology, growth and development, safety and injury prevention, signs or symptoms indicating need for medical care, and other anticipatory guidance topics.

*“Health professional”* means an individual who possesses specialized knowledge in a health or social science field or is licensed to provide health care.

*“Health services”* means services provided through MCH contract agencies.

*“Informing”* means the act of advising families of the services available through the EPSDT/Care for Kids program, explaining what to expect at screening, and providing information about health resources in the community.

*“Infrastructure building”* means activities directed at improving and maintaining the health status of all clients by providing support for the development and maintenance of comprehensive health services systems including development and maintenance of health services standards or guidelines, training, data, and planning systems.

*“MCH services”* means essential public health services provided by MCH contract agencies.

*“Medicaid”* means the Medicaid program authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act and funded through the Iowa department of human services from the DHHS.

*“Medical home”* means a usual source of health care where the physician/health care provider is available to coordinate preventive, primary and follow-up care at all times (24 hours per day, seven days per week) for the patient while maintaining the client’s health records. In addition, the physician/health care provider and parents partner to identify and access the medical and nonmedical services needed to help children and their families achieve their maximum potential.

*“Nutrition screening”* means nutrition education appropriate to the needs of the client, and referral to a licensed dietitian if indicated.

*“OMB”* means the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Management and Budget.

*“Oral health counseling”* means services to assess oral health status and to provide education appropriate to the needs of the client and referral to a dentist if indicated.

*“Oral health education”* means information provided by a health professional about dental disease, prevention, and oral hygiene and other anticipatory guidance.

*“Parenting education”* means educational services for parents or expectant parents provided by health professionals to include care of infants and children, normal development, discipline, and other topics as appropriate.

*“Performance measures”* means a narrative statement that describes a specific maternal and child health need or requirement that, when addressed, will lead to a specific health outcome within a community and generally within a specified time frame.

*“Performance standards”* means criteria or indicators of the quality of service provided or the capability of a contract agency to provide public health services in a cost-effective or efficient manner as identified in the quality assurance section (501) of the MCH Administrative Manual. Copies of the performance standards are available from the Chief, Family Services Bureau, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or on the Iowa department of public health Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us](http://www.idph.state.ia.us)).

*“Pharmacist”* means a person currently licensed to practice pharmacy under Iowa Code chapter 155.

*“Physician”* means a person currently licensed to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or osteopathy under Iowa Code chapters 148 and 150A.

*“Population-based services”* means preventive interventions and personal health services, developed for and available to the entire MCH population of the state rather than for individuals in a one-on-one situation. Disease prevention, health promotion, and statewide outreach are major components.

*“Prenatal and postpartum care”* means those types of services as recognized by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

*“Program income”* means gross income earned by the contract agency from activities in which part or all of the cost is either borne as a direct cost by the funds received from the department or counted as a direct cost toward meeting cost-sharing or matching requirements of the contract agency. “Program income” includes but is not limited to such income in the form of fees for services, third-party reimbursements, and proceeds from sales of tangible, personal or real property.

*“Psychosocial services”* means screening activities that include social assessment and assisting with a family’s additional needs for support and referral.

*“Title V”* means Title V of the Social Security Act and the federal requirements contained in the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1989 (Public Law 101-239) which address the Maternal and Child Health and Children with Special Health Care Needs programs.

*“Title X”* means the program authorized in the federal regulations found in 42 CFR Subpart A, Part 59, published in the Federal Register on June 3, 1980, and the Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services.

*“Title XIX”* means the Medicaid program authorized in the Social Security Act and funded through the Iowa department of human services from the DHHS.

*“Title XXI”* means the child health insurance program authorized in the Social Security Act and implemented in Iowa as the HAWK-I program as administered by the Iowa department of human services.

*“Well-child health care”* means those types of services as recognized by the latest edition of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Guidelines for Health Supervision.

*“WIC”* means the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, funded through the department from the United States Department of Agriculture.

**641—76.5(135) MCH services.** The following public health services shall be provided by contract agencies:

**76.5(1) Infrastructure building services.**

a. Community assessment activities to identify population-based health conditions, risks, and assets in the community.

b. Analysis of health data to determine community population-based health status, health system utilization and community resources.

c. Methodological support for data collection, analysis and dissemination.

d. Community planning activities to promote family and community health initiatives based on scientific, economic, and political factors.

e. Promotion of regulations, standards, and contracts that protect the public’s health and safety.

f. Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness, accessibility and quality of personal health and population-based services in the community.

g. Supporting innovative initiatives to gain new insights and solutions to family and community health-related needs.

h. Development of state plan and annual report in conjunction with the family services bureau.

i. Development of systems for transitioning adolescents with special health care needs to adult services.

**76.5(2) Population-based services.**

a. Immunization.

- b. Injury prevention.
- c. Outreach and health education.
- d. Counseling for families who have lost a child to sudden infant death syndrome.
- e. Childhood lead poisoning screening.
- f. Support screening and follow-up for sickle cell disease and other hemoglobin disorders.

**76.5(3) Enabling services.**

- a. Care/service coordination.
- b. Informing.
- c. Outreach to families and children who do not access a regular and continuous source of health care (medical and dental home).
- d. Coordination of local systems of care for improving access to health services.
- e. Access to translation services.
- f. Access to transportation.
- g. Parent-to-parent support for families who have children with special health care needs.
- h. Information and outreach to families applying for the Supplemental Security Income program (Title XVI).
- i. Rescinded IAB 2/6/02, effective 3/13/02.

**76.5(4) Direct health services.** Direct health services may be provided to meet identified community needs. The following preventive direct health services may be supported by MCH program funds to the extent the comprehensive community assessment documents that the services are not otherwise available from health professionals within the community. Payment shall be based upon Title XIX rates to the extent that current Title XIX rate information is available to the department. Contract agencies may enter into agreements that reimburse less than the Title XIX rate. Agencies shall not reimburse a provider under sanction by CMS.

a. *Child health.*

- (1) Informing.
- (2) Care/service coordination.
- (3) Nutrition counseling.
- (4) Psychosocial services.
- (5) Parenting education.
- (6) Health education.
- (7) Well-child health services include routine, ambulatory well-child care.
- (8) Assistance in establishing a medical and dental home or usual source of care.
- (9) Referral.

b. *Prenatal and postpartum services.*

- (1) Care/service coordination.
- (2) Risk assessment.
- (3) Psychosocial screening assessment and counseling.
- (4) Nutrition assessment and counseling.
- (5) Health education.
- (6) Routine, ambulatory prenatal medical care, postpartum exams, and family planning services.

c. *Dental health—maternal and child.*

- (1) Oral screening.
- (2) Dental treatment services through referral.
- (3) Oral health education.
- (4) Fluoride varnish application.

d. *Children with special health care needs.* Community-based pediatric subspecialty clinic services that are “gap filling.”

**641—76.6(135) Client eligibility criteria.** The certification process to determine eligibility for direct health care under the program shall include the following requirements:

**76.6(1) Age.**

- a. Prenatal program—no age restrictions.
- b. Child health care services—birth through 21 years of age.
- c. CHSC—birth through 21 years of age.

**76.6(2) Income.**

a. Income guidelines will be the same as those established for the state's Title XXI program. Guidelines are published annually by DHHS. Department income guidelines will be adjusted following any change in DHHS guidelines.

b. Income information will be provided by the individual, who will attest in writing to the accuracy of the information contained in the application.

c. Proof of Title XIX or Title XXI (HAWK-I) eligibility will automatically serve in lieu of an application.

d. All income of family members as defined by DHHS poverty guidelines will be used in calculating the individual's gross income for purposes of determining initial and continued eligibility.

e. Income will be calculated as follows:

(1) Annual income will be estimated based on the individual's income for the past three months unless the individual's income will be changing or has changed, or

(2) In the case of self-employed families the past year's income tax return (adjusted gross income) will be used in estimating annual income unless a change has occurred.

(3) Terminated income will not be considered.

f. Individuals will be screened for eligibility for Title XIX and Title XXI (HAWK-I). If an individual's income falls within the eligibility guidelines for Title XIX and Title XXI (HAWK-I), the individual should be referred to the Iowa department of human services or other enrollment source to apply for coverage. Pregnant women shall be considered for Title XIX presumptive eligibility. Children shall be considered for Title XIX eligibility to the extent these activities are approved by the Iowa department of human services.

g. An individual whose income is above the poverty level established by Title XXI and below 300 percent of the federal poverty guidelines will qualify for services on a sliding fee scale, as determined by the local agency's cost for the service. The department provides annual guidelines. An individual whose income is at or above 300 percent will qualify for services at full fee.

h. Eligibility determinations must be performed at least once annually. Should the individual's circumstances change in a manner which affects third-party coverage or Title XIX/Title XXI eligibility, eligibility determinations shall be completed more frequently.

**76.6(3) Residency.** Individuals must be currently residing in Iowa.

**76.6(4) Pregnancy.** An individual applying for the prenatal program shall have verification of pregnancy by an independent health provider, by the maternal health contract agency, or by a family planning (Title X) agency.

**76.6(5) Children with special health care needs.** An individual applying for CHSC services shall be determined to have a special health care need as defined by the federal MCH bureau. Children aged 0 to 21 residing in Iowa with or at risk of having a special health care need are eligible for CHSC services. Care/service coordination or other nonclinic services are provided at no charge to the family. Clinic services are provided without charge to families with adjusted gross incomes below 185 percent of the federal poverty guideline. Families above this threshold are responsible for payment according to a sliding fee scale based on tax exemptions, adjusted gross income, and extenuating circumstances.

**641—76.7(135) Client application procedures for MCH services.**

**76.7(1)** A person or the parent or guardian of a minor desiring direct health services other than those provided to children with special health care needs shall apply to a contract agency using a Health Services Application, Form 470-2927, 470-2927(SP), or the alternate form authorized by the HAWK-I board.

**76.7(2)** The contract agency shall verify the following information to apply for MCH services under this program:

- a. The information requested on the application form under “Household Information.”
- b. Income information for all family members or proof of eligibility for Title XIX (Medicaid) or Title XXI (HAWK-I).
- c. Information about health insurance coverage.
- d. The signature of the individual or responsible adult, dated and witnessed.
- e. For pregnant women, denial of benefits under Title XIX (Medicaid) due to economic or categorical ineligibility.

**76.7(3)** If an individual has completed a Health Services Application, Form 470-2927, within the last year and the form accurately documents the current financial and family status, the MCH contract agency shall accept a copy of that application and determine eligibility without requiring completion of any other application form.

**76.7(4)** If an individual indicates on the Health Services Application, Form 470-2927, that the individual also wishes to apply for WIC or Medicaid or HAWK-I, the contract agency shall forward the appropriate copy to the indicated agency within two working days.

**76.7(5)** The contract agency shall determine the eligibility of the family and the percent of the cost of care that is the family’s responsibility. The individual shall be informed in writing of eligibility status prior to incurring costs for care.

**76.7(6)** Once an individual has been determined to be eligible, the individual shall report any changes in income, family composition, or residency to the contract agency within 30 days from the date the change occurred.

**76.7(7)** A family seeking direct health care or care/service coordination services for a child with special health care needs shall follow CHSC policies and procedures. Insurance status and eligibility for the sliding fee scale are determined during the patient registration process.

#### **641—76.8(135) Right to appeal—client.**

**76.8(1)** *Right of appeal.* Individuals applying for MCH services and clients receiving MCH services shall have the right to appeal whenever a decision or action of the department or contract agency results in the denial of participation, suspension, or termination from the approved MCH program. Notification of the denial of participation, suspension or termination shall be made in writing and shall state the basis for the action. All hearings shall be conducted in accordance with these rules.

**76.8(2)** *Notification of appeal rights and right to hearing.* Individuals applying for MCH services shall be notified of the right to appeal and the procedures for requesting a hearing at the time of application for MCH services. Information about the appeal and hearing process shall be provided in writing and shall be immediately available at maternal and child health centers. A health professional shall be available to explain the method by which an appeal or hearing is requested and the manner in which the appeal and hearing will be conducted.

**76.8(3)** *Request for hearing.* A request for a hearing is a written expression by an individual or the individual’s parent, guardian, or other representative that an opportunity to present the individual’s case is desired. The request shall be filed with the contract agency within 60 days from the date the individual receives notice of the decision or action which is the subject of appeal.

**76.8(4)** *Receipt of benefits during appeal.* Individual applicants, who are denied program benefits due to a finding of ineligibility, shall not receive benefits during the administrative appeal period. Clients who are involuntarily suspended or terminated from the MCH program shall continue to receive program benefits during the administrative appeal period.

**76.8(5)** *Hearing officer.* The hearing officer shall be impartial, shall not have been directly involved in the initial determination of the action being contested, and shall not have a personal stake in the decision. Hearing officers may be contract agency directors, health professionals, community leaders, or any impartial citizen. If prior to the hearing, the appealing party objects to a contract agency director serving as the hearing officer in a case involving the director’s own agency, another hearing officer shall be selected and, if necessary, the hearing shall be rescheduled as expeditiously as possible. Contract agencies may seek the assistance of the Chief, Family Services Bureau, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, in the appointment of a hearing officer.

**76.8(6) Notice of hearing.** The hearing officer shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing as expeditiously as possible. Parties shall receive notice of the hearing at least ten days in advance of the scheduled hearing. The hearing shall be accessible to the party requesting the hearing. The hearing shall be scheduled within three weeks from the date the contract agency received the request for a hearing or as soon as possible thereafter, unless a later date is agreed upon by the parties.

**76.8(7) Conduct of hearing.** The party requesting the hearing or the party's representative shall have the opportunity to:

- a. Examine, prior to and during the hearing, the documents and records presented to support the decision under appeal;
- b. Be represented by an attorney or other person at the party's own expense;
- c. Bring witnesses;
- d. Question or refute any testimony or evidence, including an opportunity to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses;
- e. Submit evidence to establish all pertinent facts and circumstances in the case; and
- f. Advance arguments without undue interference.

**76.8(8) Decision.** Decisions of the hearing officer shall be in writing and shall be based on evidence presented at the hearing. The decision shall summarize the facts of the case, specify the reasons for the decision, and identify the supporting evidence and pertinent regulations or policy. The decision shall be issued within 90 days of the receipt of the request for the hearing, unless a longer period is agreed upon by the parties.

**76.8(9) Appeal of decision to the department.** A party receiving an unfavorable decision may file an appeal with the department. Such appeals must be filed within 15 days of the mailing date of the hearing decision. Appeals shall be sent to the Division Director, Family and Community Health, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**76.8(10) Contested case.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the DIA pursuant to the rules adopted by the DIA regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information, which may be provided by the aggrieved party, shall also be provided to the DIA.

**76.8(11) Hearing.** Parties shall receive notice of the hearing in advance. The administrative law judge shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing so that the hearing is held as expeditiously as possible. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the DIA found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**76.8(12) Decision of administrative law judge.** The administrative law judge's decision shall be issued within 60 days from the date of request for hearing. When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final decision without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 76.8(13).

**76.8(13) Appeal to the director.** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**76.8(14) Record of hearing.** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.



**76.8(15) *Decision of director.*** An appeal to the director shall be based on the record of the hearing before the administrative law judge. The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final decision upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**76.8(16) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for the rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**76.8(17) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is Director, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**76.8(18) *Benefits after decision.*** If a final decision is in favor of the person requesting a hearing and benefits were denied or discontinued, benefits shall begin immediately and continue pending further review should an appeal to district court be filed. If a final decision is in favor of the contract agency, benefits shall be terminated, if still being received, as soon as administratively possible after the issuance of the decision. Benefits denied during an administrative appeal period may not be awarded retroactively following a final decision in favor of a person applying for MCH services.

**641—76.9(135) *Grant application procedures for community-based contract agencies.*** Private nonprofit or public agencies seeking to provide community-based Title V-MCH public health services shall file a letter of intent to make application to the department no later than April 1 of the competitive year. Applications shall be to administer MCH services for a specified project period, as defined in the request for proposal, with an annual continuation application. The contract period shall be from October 1 to September 30 annually. All materials submitted as part of the grant application are considered public records in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 22, after a notice of award is made by the department. Notification of the availability of funds and grant application procedures will be provided in accordance with the department rules found in 641—Chapter 176.

Contract agencies are selected on the basis of the grant applications submitted to the department. The department will consider only applications from private nonprofit or public agencies. In the case of competing applications, the contract will be awarded to the applicant that scores the highest number of points in the review.

**641—76.10(135) *Funding levels for community-based contract agencies.*** The amount of funds available to each contract agency on an annual basis shall be determined by the department using a methodology based upon dollars available, number of clients enrolled, and selected needs criteria. A contract agency will receive four dollars of the available funds from the department for each one dollar of matching funds up to but not to exceed the total available funds for that contract agency.

**641—76.11(135) *Contract agency performance.*** Contract agencies are required to provide services in accordance with these rules.

**76.11(1) *Performance standards.*** The department shall establish performance standards that contract agencies shall meet in the provision of public health services. The performance standards for community-based agencies are published in the quality assurance section (501) of the MCH Administrative Manual. Copies of the performance standards are available from the Chief, Family Services Bureau, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or on the Iowa department of public health Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us](http://www.idph.state.ia.us)). Contract agencies that do not meet the performance standards shall not be eligible for continued funding as an MCH contract agency unless the contract agency has secured an exception.

**76.11(2) Contract agency review.** The department shall review contract agency operations through the use of reports and documents submitted, state-generated data reports, chart audits, on-site and clinic visits for direct care services as applicable for evaluation and technical assistance.

**76.11(3) Exception.** A contract agency that does not meet a performance standard or fails to meet an action plan as approved by the department may be granted an exception for up to one year in order to improve performance. Such an exception must be requested in writing. If granted, the approval for the exception will include the conditions necessary for the successful completion of the standard, a time frame, and additional reporting requirements. The procedures for applying for and approving of an exception are outlined in the "Performance Standards, Maternal and Child Health Contractors, Family Services Bureau."

**641—76.12(135) Reporting.** Completion of grant applications, budgets, expenditure reports, annual progress reports, and data forms shall be performed by contract agencies in compliance with the contract with the department.

**641—76.13(135) Fiscal management.** All contract agencies are required to meet fiscal management policies.

**76.13(1) Last pay.** MCH grant funds are considered last pay. Title XIX and other third-party payers are to be billed first if other resources cover the service.

**76.13(2) Program income.** Program income shall be used for allowable costs of the MCH program. Program income shall be used before using the funds received from the department. Excess program income may be retained to build a three-month operating capital. Program income shall be used during the current fiscal year or the following fiscal year. Five percent of unobligated program income may be used by the contract agency for special purposes or projects provided such use furthers the mission of the MCH program and does not violate state or federal rules governing the program.

**76.13(3) Advances.** A contract agency may request an advance of up to one-sixth of its contract at the beginning of a contract year. The amount of any advance will be deducted prior to the end of the fiscal year.

**76.13(4) Local share.** Community-based contract agencies are required to match the MCH funds received from the department at a minimum rate of one dollar of local match for every four dollars received from the department. Sources that may be used for match are reimbursement for service from third parties such as insurance and Title XIX, client fees, local funds from nonfederal sources, or in-kind contributions. In-kind contributions must be documented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

**76.13(5) Subcontracts.** Contract agencies may subcontract a portion of the project activity to another entity provided such subcontract is approved by the department. Subcontract agencies must follow the same rules, procedures, and policies as required of the contract agency by these rules and contract with the department. The contract agency is responsible for ensuring the compliance of the subcontract. Subcontract agencies may not subcontract these project activities with other entities.

**641—76.14(135) Audits.** Every two years, each contract agency shall undergo financial audit of the MCH program. The audit shall be conducted in compliance with OMB Circular A-133 Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Each audit shall cover all unaudited periods through the end of the previous grant year. The department's audit guide should be followed to ensure an audit which meets federal and state requirements.

**641—76.15(135) Diagnosis and therapeutic services for children.** Rescinded IAB 2/6/02, effective 3/13/02.

**641—76.16(135) Denial, suspension, revocation or reduction of contracts with contract agencies.** The department may deny, suspend, revoke or reduce contracts with contract agencies in accord with applicable federal regulations or contractual relationships. Notice of such action shall be in writing.

**641—76.17(135) Right to appeal—contract agency.** Community-based contract agencies may appeal the denial of a contract or the suspension, revocation or reduction of an existing contract.

**76.17(1) Appeal.** The appeal shall be made in writing to the department within ten days of receipt of notification of the adverse action. Notice is to be addressed to the Division Director, Family and Community Health Division, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**76.17(2) Contested case.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the DIA pursuant to the rules adopted by the DIA regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information, which may be provided by the aggrieved party, shall also be provided to the DIA.

**76.17(3) Hearing.** Parties shall receive notice of the hearing in advance. The administrative law judge shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing so that the hearing is held as expeditiously as possible. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the DIA found in 481—Chapter 10.

**76.17(4) Decision of administrative law judge.** The administrative law judge's decision shall be issued within 60 days from the date of request for hearing. When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final decision without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 76.17(5).

**76.17(5) Appeal to the director.** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**76.17(6) Record of hearing.** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions and rules;
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript;
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed;
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon;
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions; and
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**76.17(7) Decision of director.** An appeal to the director shall be based on the record made at the hearing. The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final decision upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**76.17(8) Exhausting administrative remedies.** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A. Petition for judicial review must be filed within 30 days after decision becomes final.

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CHAPTER 77  
LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH  
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**641—77.1(137) Purpose of local boards of health.** The local board of health shall have jurisdiction over public health matters within its designated geographic area according to Iowa Code chapter 137. The local board of health shall promote and protect the health of the citizens, and carry out the powers of local boards as specified in Iowa Code sections 137.6 and 137.7, and all other applicable Iowa Code chapters.

**641—77.2(137) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, unless otherwise defined, the following definitions apply:

*“Core public health functions”* means the functions of community health assessment, policy development, and assurance.

1. Assessment: Regular collection, analysis, interpretation, and communication of information about health conditions, risks, and assets in a community.

2. Policy development: Development, implementation, and evaluation of plans and policies, for public health in general and priority health needs in particular, in a manner that incorporates scientific information and community values and in accordance with state public health policy.

3. Assurance: Ensuring by encouragement, regulation, or direct action that programs and interventions that maintain and improve health are carried out.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Environmental health services”* means services focused on assessing and controlling the impact of people on their physical environment and the impact of the environment on them.

*“Essential public health services”* means those activities carried out by public health that fulfill the core functions.

*“Local board of health”* means a county, city, or district board of health.

*“Personal health services”* means services focused on the care of individuals.

*“Population-based health services”* means services focused on the health status of population groups and their environments.

**641—77.3(137) Roles and responsibilities of local boards of health.** Public health is responsible for safeguarding the community’s health. This goal is pursued through three core functions: assessment, policy development and assurance.

**77.3(1)** Assessment: regularly and systematically collect, assemble, analyze, and make available information on the health of the community, including statistics on health status, community health needs, personal health services, and epidemiologic and other studies of health problems. Assessment includes the essential public health services that:

- a. Monitor health status to identify community health problems,
- b. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community, and
- c. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.

**77.3(2)** Policy development: exercise its responsibility to serve the public interest in the development of comprehensive public health policies. This can be accomplished by promoting use of a scientific knowledge base in decision making about public health and by taking the lead in public health policy development. Policy development includes the essential public health services that:

- a. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts,
- b. Enforce laws and regulations that protect and ensure safety, and
- c. Research new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

**77.3(3)** Assurance: assure their constituents that services necessary to achieve agreed-upon goals are provided either by encouraging actions by other entities (private or public sector), by requiring such action through regulation, or by providing services directly. Each local board must involve key

policymakers and the general public in determining a set of high-priority personal and communitywide health services. Assurance includes the essential public health services that:

- a. Link people to needed personal health services and provide such personal and environmental health services as deemed necessary,
- b. Ensure the competence of public health and personal health care workforce,
- c. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues, and
- d. Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.

**641—77.4(137) Organization of local boards of health.**

**77.4(1) Officers of local board of health.** Each local board of health shall, at its first meeting during any calendar year, elect one of its members to serve as chairperson until the first meeting of the following calendar year.

- a. The local board of health may elect a vice-chairperson, secretary, or other such officers as it may deem advisable.
- b. In case of a vacancy of the office of chairperson, a successor shall be elected at the next meeting of the board, who shall serve the remainder of the term.

**77.4(2) Meetings of local board of health.** The place, date and time of regular meetings of the local board of health shall be determined by vote of the board, and shall comply with the provisions of the open meetings law which is found in Iowa Code chapter 21.

- a. Each local board of health shall meet at least quarterly.
- b. Special meetings of the board may be called as needed by the chairperson, or by any three board members. At least 24 hours' notice shall be given of special meetings, except in case of emergency.

**77.4(3) Quorum of local board of health.** Fifty percent or more of the board membership shall constitute a quorum.

**641—77.5(137) Operating procedures of local boards of health.**

**77.5(1)** The following information shall be submitted to the Iowa department of public health:

- a. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of members of the local board of health, within one month after their appointment.
- b. Names of the chairperson and any other officers elected by the board, within one month after their election.
- c. A copy of the minutes of each regular and special meeting of the board, which shall include at least:
  - (1) The date and place of the meeting,
  - (2) A list of members present, and
  - (3) A report of any official board actions, within one month of the date of the meeting.

**77.5(2)** An annual report of expenditures for the previous fiscal year, to be submitted on forms provided by the Iowa department of public health, shall be submitted within 90 days of the close of the county fiscal year.

**641—77.6(137) Expenses of board of health members.**

**77.6(1)** The following may be considered necessary expenses of board of health members:

- a. Reimbursement for travel in private car on board of health business at the same rate as provided for a public officer or employee in Iowa Code section 70A.9.
- b. Actual lodging and meal expenses including sales tax on lodging and meals.
- c. Actual expense of public transportation when traveling on board of health business.
- d. Miscellaneous expenses related to performance of duties as approved by the board of health.

**77.6(2)** This rule shall not be construed as requiring the payment of reimbursement to any person or as prohibiting local boards from imposing additional restrictions or administrative requirements on expenses of their members.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.11(13) and chapter 137.

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CHAPTER 78  
DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENTS  
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**641—78.1(137) Minimum standards for district health departments.**

**78.1(1)** A district health department approved after September 3, 1997, shall have jurisdiction over at least two counties.

**78.1(2)** All areas under the jurisdiction of a district health department shall be in close proximity, and district boundaries shall follow existing county boundaries.

**78.1(3)** A district health department shall provide public health nursing services and environmental health services, and may provide other public health population-based services as are deemed advisable and necessary.

**78.1(4)** The district board of health shall delegate responsibility for administration of the district health department to an individual who is a full-time employee in the department.

**641—78.2(137) Preparation of district health department plan.**

**78.2(1)** The Iowa department of public health shall prepare a proposed plan for formation of district health departments after consideration of the following factors:

- a. Compliance with 78.1(1), 78.1(2) and 78.1(3).
- b. Opinions and desires of existing local boards of health, as determined by questionnaire, conference, or other appropriate method.
- c. Configuration of existing or proposed districts of other agencies whose activities are related to public health.

**78.2(2)** The plan shall consist of a map showing district boundaries, and a list of existing city and county boards of health in each district. The proposed plan shall be submitted to all existing local boards for consideration. At least 30 days shall be allowed for submission of comments by the local boards.

**78.2(3)** After consideration of comments by the local boards, the Iowa department of public health shall prepare a final plan and shall send copies to each local board.

**78.2(4)** Whenever any amendment to the final plan is proposed, the Iowa department of public health shall notify all affected local boards and shall allow at least 30 days for submission of comments.

**78.2(5)** Whenever amendments of the plan are made, the Iowa department of public health shall transmit copies of the amended plan to all local boards of health.

**641—78.3(137) Approval of district health departments.** Local boards of health desiring to form a district health department shall submit the following information:

**78.3(1)** A resolution passed by each involved local board of health within the district, as designated in the state plan, stating:

- a. Its desire that a district health department be formed, and
- b. Its approval of the plan for appointment of district board members.

**78.3(2)** Adequate assurance that, upon organization as a district, the minimum organizational and service standards specified in 78.1(4) and 78.1(5) will be met. Such assurance may include:

- a. Listing of existing personnel in the district whose services will be utilized by the district board.
- b. Copies of existing or proposed budgets or resolutions of intent from counties, cities or other organizations, indicating that funds will be provided for the district's local health fund.
- c. Such other information as shall be acceptable to the director of public health.

**78.3(3)** A plan for appointment of the district board of health, which shall include:

- a. The number of members to be appointed, which shall not be less than 5 nor more than 11.
- b. The number of doctors of medicine and surgery or osteopathic physicians and surgeons to be appointed, which shall not be less than one nor more than three.
- c. The term of office of the members, which shall not be less than two nor more than six years.

*d.* The dates of appointment of members. Except for appointment of the original board, and appointments for filling vacancies in unexpired terms, no more than 60 percent of the board members shall be appointed in any one year.

*e.* The appointing authority for each board member. Members may be appointed by:

- (1) County boards of supervisors.
- (2) City councils.

*f.* The method or methods of filling vacancies in unexpired terms of each board member.

*g.* Any other qualifications or restrictions relating to appointment of board members.

- (1) At least one member shall be appointed from each county.
- (2) When a district includes a city of over 25,000 population, at least one board member shall be appointed from such city.

**78.3(4)** Upon receipt of all necessary information, as specified in 78.3(1), 78.3(2) and 78.3(3), the Iowa department of public health shall review such information, and shall determine, within 30 days, whether the minimum standards specified in 78.1(137) will be met by the proposed district.

**78.3(5)** Upon determination that minimal standards will be met by the proposed district, the Iowa department of public health shall approve formation of the district, and shall set an effective date for district formation, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of approval.

**78.3(6)** Notice of approval for district formation, including the effective dates, shall immediately be sent to:

- a.* The county board of health of each county in the district.
- b.* The board of supervisors of each county in the district.
- c.* The city board of health of each city over 25,000 population in the district, unless such board has been terminated.

**78.3(7)** Upon receipt of the notice of approval for district formation, each appointing authority shall, prior to the effective date of formation of the district, appoint board members as specified in the plan referred to in 78.3(3), who shall take office on the effective date.

#### **641—78.4(137) Additions to district health departments.**

**78.4(1)** The board of health of any county, or any city over 25,000 population which desires to be added to an existing district health department, shall submit an application to the district board of that district.

**78.4(2)** If addition of said city or county is approved by a majority of the members of the district board, the following information shall be submitted to the state board of health:

- a.* A resolution passed by the board of health of the applicant city or county, stating its desire to be added to the district, and approving the revised plan for appointment of district board members.
- b.* Adequate assurances, as described in 78.3(2), that minimum service standards will continue to be met following addition of the applicant city or county.
- c.* A revised plan for appointment of members of the district board of health, which shall conform with all requirements of 78.3(3).
- d.* A resolution or statement of agreement from each appointing authority whose authority to appoint board members is affected by the revised plan for appointment of district board members.
- e.* A resolution passed by the district board approving addition of the applicant city or county.

**78.4(3)** If addition of the applicant city or county to the district is approved by the state board of health, an effective date shall be set for the action, and notification sent to:

- a.* The district board of health.
- b.* The board of health of the applicant city or county.
- c.* The board of supervisors of the applicant county.
- d.* The council of the applicant city.
- e.* The council of each city within the applicant county.

**78.4(4)** Any new district board of health members required by the revised plan shall be appointed prior to the effective date by the appropriate authorities, and shall take office on the effective date.

**641—78.5(137) Withdrawal from district health departments.**

**78.5(1)** The board of supervisors of any county, or the city council of any city over 25,000 population, desiring to withdraw from a district health department, shall submit an application to the district board of health of that district.

**78.5(2)** If withdrawal of said county or city is approved by a majority of the members of the district board, the following information shall be submitted to the state board of health:

*a.* A resolution passed by the board of supervisors of the applicant county, or the city council of the applicant city, stating its desire to withdraw from the district and stating also its intent to:

- (1) Apply for addition to another district, or
- (2) Appoint a county or city board of health.

*b.* Adequate assurances, as described in 78.3(2) that minimum service standards will continue to be met in the district following withdrawal of the applicant county or city.

*c.* Assurance that minimum standards specified in 78.1(1), 78.1(2) and 78.1(3) will continue to be met in the district following withdrawal of the applicant county or city.

*d.* A revised plan for appointment of the district board of health, which shall conform with all requirements of 78.3(3).

*e.* A resolution passed by the district board approving withdrawal of the applicant city or county, and approving the revised plan for appointment of the district board of health.

**78.5(3)** If withdrawal of the applicant county or city from the district is approved by the state board of health, an effective date shall be set for the action, and notification sent to:

- a.* The district board of health.
- b.* The board of supervisors of the applicant county.
- c.* The council of the applicant city.
- d.* The council of each city within the applicant county.

**78.5(4)** Any new district board of health members required by the revised plan shall be appointed prior to the effective date by the appropriate authorities, and shall take office on the effective date.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 137.9.

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CHAPTER 79

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

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CHAPTER 80  
LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES  
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**641—80.1(135) Purpose.** The purposes of the local public health services state grant is to assist with assuring core public health functions and delivering essential public health services and to increase the capacity of local boards of health to promote healthy people and healthy communities.

**641—80.2(135) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions apply:

*"Administrative expense"* means the costs incurred which are not identified readily and specifically with a program but which are necessary to the general operations of the authorized agency.

*"Appropriation formula"* means the method used to distribute the allocations of the state grant to each county.

*"Authorized agency"* means a contractor or a private nonprofit or governmental organization delivering all or part of the local public health services funded by the local public health services state grant.

*"Care coordination"* means assessing a consumer's need for care; developing, implementing and updating the plan of care; assigning a direct care worker to the case; assigning direct care worker duties, including specifying the frequency of task performance and the length and frequency of visits; providing referrals and follow-up; coordinating the case, including coordinating interagency and intra-agency communications; and maintaining records and reports.

*"Community"* means the aggregate of persons with common characteristics such as race, ethnicity, age, or occupation or other similarities such as location.

*"Consumer"* means an individual, family, or community utilizing essential public health services through the local public health services state grant.

*"Contractor"* means the local board of health or the county board of supervisors as agreed upon by the local board of health and the county board of supervisors.

*"Core public health functions"* means the scope of activities which serve as a broad framework for public health agencies. Core public health functions are:

1. Assessment, which means to regularly and systematically collect, assemble, analyze, and make available information on the health of the community, including statistics on health status, community health needs and personal health services and epidemiologic and other studies of health problems.

2. Policy development, which means efforts to serve the public interest in the development of comprehensive public health policies by promoting use of a scientific knowledge base in decision making about public health and by taking the lead in comprehensive public health policy development.

3. Assurance, which means public health efforts to assure constituents that services necessary to achieve agreed-upon goals are provided either by encouraging actions by other entities (private or public sector), by requiring such action through regulation, or by providing services directly.

*"Department"* means the Iowa department of public health.

*"Dependent nursing"* means a function requiring the skills of a licensed registered nurse and the order of a physician according to 655—Chapter 6, Iowa Administrative Code.

*"Direct care worker"* means a trained and supervised individual who provides services, care, and emotional support to consumers.

*"Essential public health services"* means activities carried out by the authorized agency fulfilling core public health functions. Essential public health services are:

1. Monitoring health status and understanding health issues facing the community.
2. Protecting people from health problems and health hazards.
3. Giving people information they need to make healthy choices.
4. Engaging the community to identify and solve health problems.
5. Developing public health policies and plans.
6. Enforcing public health laws and regulations.
7. Helping people receive health services.

8. Maintaining a competent public health workforce.
9. Evaluating and improving programs and interventions.
10. Contributing to and applying the evidence base of public health.

*"Evaluation"* means the process to measure the effectiveness of interventions by measuring outcomes against previously established goals and objectives.

*"Health promotion"* means organizational, economic and environmental supports and education to stimulate healthy behaviors in individuals, groups or communities.

*"Income"* means all sources of revenue for the consumer and, if applicable, the consumer's spouse.

*"Independent nursing"* means a function requiring the skills of a licensed registered nurse according to 655—Chapter 6, Iowa Administrative Code.

*"Local board of health"* means a county, city or district board of health as defined in Iowa Code section 137.2.

*"Nonprofit"* means an entity meeting the requirements for tax-exempt status under the United States Internal Revenue Code.

*"Nursing process"* means the steps completed by a skilled licensed registered nurse according to 655—Chapter 6, Iowa Administrative Code.

*"Outcome"* means an action or event that follows as a result or consequence of the provision of a service or support.

*"Outcome measures"* means the mathematical expression of the effect of an activity, product, or service on consumers and the public health. Outcome measures are used to determine the extent to which the activity, product, or service has impacted its intended audience and to identify progress toward the achievement of a goal.

*"Personal health services"* means health services delivered to individuals, including primary care, specialty care, hospital care, emergency care, and rehabilitative care. For the purpose of the local public health services state grant, personal health services include nursing (disease and disability), nursing (health maintenance), home care aide (homemaker), and home care aide (personal care) activities.

*"Population-based services"* means interventions or activities for a community to promote health and to prevent disease, injury, disability, premature death, and exposure to environmental hazards.

*"Poverty"* means the level of adjusted income, factoring in resources and income, which is at or below 75 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines.

*"Preservice education"* means training required prior to assignment.

*"Procedures"* means the steps to be taken to implement a policy.

*"Process"* means a service or support provided by an authorized agency to a consumer that will allow the consumer to achieve an outcome. A process may include a written, formal, and consistent trackable method or an informal method that is not written but is trackable.

*"Program,"* for the purposes of the state grant, means local public health services, local board of health services, public health nursing services, and home care aide services.

*"Protective services"* means interventions or activities for a child or adult to alleviate, protect against, or prevent situations which could lead to abuse or neglect. For the purposes of the local public health services state grant, protective services require an order from the justice system.

*"Quality improvement"* means a process to review, plan and ensure standards of quality for essential public health services, interventions and activities.

*"Resources"* means unrestricted assets owned by a consumer and, if applicable, by the consumer's spouse. The place of residence and one vehicle are exempt from consideration of resources.

*"Restricted assets"* means assets typically involving a penalty for early withdrawal such as IRA accounts, KEOGH accounts, 401(k) accounts, employee retirement accounts, and other deferred tax protected assets involving a penalty for early withdrawal. Restricted assets shall not be considered as a resource in the determination of a consumer's financial liability for services.

*"Service management"* means recruiting, employing, providing workforce development to, scheduling, supervising and evaluating direct care workers; ensuring the competency of direct care workers; providing quality assurance for the program; and maintaining community relations.



*“Sliding fee scale”* means a scale of consumer fee responsibility based on an assessment of the consumer’s ability to pay all or a portion of the charge for services.

*“State grant”* means the local public health services state grant, which is the allocation of state funds appropriated annually by the Iowa general assembly for local public health services.

*“Unrestricted assets”* means assets that can be converted to cash for financial support. Unrestricted assets shall be considered in the determination of a consumer’s financial liability for services in the sliding fee calculation.

*“Vulnerable population”* means individuals or groups in the community who are unable to promote and protect their personal and environmental health.

*“Workforce development”* means the provision of training relevant to services or tasks assigned to direct care workers to enhance their knowledge and the delivery of essential public health services.

**641—80.3(135) Local public health services state grant.** The following applies to the state allocation for local public health services, local board of health services, public health nursing services, and home care aide services.

**80.3(1) Priority population.** The state grant serves all populations, with a priority to serve vulnerable populations in Iowa.

**80.3(2) Contractor assurance.** In order to receive funding, the contractor shall provide to the department assurance that authorized agencies meet all applicable federal, state, and local requirements. The contractor may directly provide or subcontract all or part of the delivery of services. The contractor shall assure that each authorized agency complies with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), and Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act and with affirmative action requirements. In addition, the contractor shall assure that each authorized agency has, at a minimum, the following:

- a. A governing board.
- b. Program policies and procedures, which shall, at a minimum, include:
  - (1) Admission and discharge.
  - (2) A consumer appeals process.
  - (3) Records appropriate to the level of consumer care.
  - (4) A financial assessment.
  - (5) A sliding fee scale.
- c. Personnel policies and procedures, which shall be reviewed and updated annually and communicated to staff. Personnel policies and procedures shall, at a minimum, include:
  - (1) Delegation of authority and responsibility for agency administration.
  - (2) Staff supervision.
  - (3) A staff training program for the identification and reporting of child and dependent adult abuse to the department pursuant to Iowa Code sections 232.69 and 235B.3.
  - (4) Conditions of employment including recruitment, selection, termination, promotion and compensation.
  - (5) A leave of absence policy.
  - (6) A grievance procedure.
  - (7) Annual employee performance evaluations.
  - (8) A nondiscrimination policy.
  - (9) An employee orientation program.
  - (10) A provision for career or workforce development.
  - (11) Fringe benefits.
  - (12) Employment application forms which comply with civil rights regulations.
  - (13) Current job descriptions which delineate qualifications, responsibilities and essential functions, reflect current responsibilities, and are dated.
  - (14) A current salary schedule.
- d. Fiscal management, which shall, at a minimum, include:
  - (1) An annual budget.

- (2) Fiscal policies and procedures which follow generally accepted accounting practices.
- (3) An annual audit which is performed according to usual and customary accounting principles and practices.
  - e. A quality improvement plan. The plan shall address annual evaluation of the authorized agency, public health programs, and professional development and shall include:
    - (1) Written goals, objectives, and performance measures that use appropriate data and are analyzed regularly.
    - (2) Strategies to monitor program and service compliance with local, state, and federal requirements.
    - (3) Evidence that programs and services align with community health priorities.
    - (4) Methods for reporting the outcomes of evaluation to stakeholders.
    - (5) Steps to determine the cost-effectiveness of programs and services.

**641—80.4(135) Billing services to the local public health services state grant.** The contractor shall bill public health activities to the state grant based on the identified needs of the community.

**80.4(1) *Planning process.*** Prior to the ensuing fiscal year application process, the contractor shall initiate a community planning process with input from community partners including but not limited to authorized agencies in order to identify the needs of the community.

**80.4(2) *Alternative plan.*** A plan is required for the alternative use of the state grant funds. The plan shall be based on an assessment of the community and shall be submitted by the contractor for approval by the department. The plan shall:

- a. Assure the department of the delivery of essential public health services that are the primary purpose of these funds.
- b. Identify essential public health services to be delivered.
- c. Describe the activity to be delivered.
- d. Identify target populations to be served.
- e. Identify outcome measures.

**80.4(3) *Funder of last resort.*** The state grant shall be billed as the last resort.

- a. The state grant shall be billed the lower of the authorized agency's cost or charges.
- b. The state grant shall not be billed for services eligible for third-party reimbursement (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, approved Iowa waivers, or other federal or state funds).
- c. The state grant shall not be billed for the balance between the authorized agency cost or charge, whichever is lower, and the allowed reimbursement from a third-party payer.
- d. The state grant shall not be billed for fees waived by the authorized agency.

**80.4(4) *Cost analysis.*** The authorized agency shall complete, at a minimum, an annual cost analysis, using a method approved by the department. The authorized agency shall maintain documentation to support the administrative cost allocation.

**80.4(5) *Fees and donations.*** Fees for services and donations shall be used to support local public health services.

a. Fees for services provided shall be based on a financial assessment which determines the consumer's financial responsibility. The financial assessment shall be updated annually by the authorized agency. An authorized agency may consider additional health care-related expenses or resources above \$10,000 when determining the consumer fee according to an agency's policy.

b. Sliding fee scale. The authorized agency shall establish a sliding fee scale that considers resources and income. The sliding fee scale shall be based on the charge for services. The authorized agency shall determine placement on the sliding fee scale before the service begins. The authorized agency shall use payments, based on the sliding fee scale, and donations received from consumers to support essential public health services. The following instructions apply to the use of the sliding fee scale:

- (1) A fee shall be charged to consumers who have an income at or above 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines.

(2) No fee shall be charged to consumers who have an income at or below 75 percent of federal poverty guidelines and resources of \$10,000 or less.

(3) A sliding fee or full fee for home care aide (personal care); home care aide (homemaker), home care aide (home helper) and home care aide (chore); nursing (disease and disability); and nursing (health maintenance) shall be established.

(4) No fee shall be charged for protective services or communicable disease follow-up services.

(5) An authorized agency may charge a fee according to the authorized agency's policy for services other than those described in subparagraph (4) if the consumer has an income below 200 percent but above 75 percent of federal poverty guidelines.

**80.4(6) *Reallocation.*** The department will annually determine the potential for unused funds from contracts. If funds are available, reallocation of the funds shall be at the discretion of the department.

#### **641—80.5(135) Right to appeal.**

##### **80.5(1) *Denial, reduction or termination of services.***

*a.* When an authorized agency denies, reduces or terminates services funded by the state grant against the wishes of a consumer, the authorized agency shall notify the consumer and the contractor of the following:

- (1) The action taken;
- (2) The reason for the action; and
- (3) The consumer's right to appeal.

*b.* If a consumer files an appeal, the authorized agency shall provide services to the consumer throughout the appeals process, unless the agency receives a waiver from the department pending the outcome of the appeal.

##### **80.5(2) *Local appeals process.***

*a.* All contractors and their authorized agencies shall have a written local procedure to hear appeals. The local procedure shall, at a minimum, include:

- (1) The method of notification of the right to appeal;
- (2) The procedure for conducting the appeal;
- (3) Time limits for each step; and
- (4) The method of notification of the outcome of the local appeal and notification of the consumer's right to appeal to the state. Notifications of the outcome of the local appeal shall include the facts used to reach the decision and the conclusions drawn from the facts to support the authorized agency's decision.

*b.* The written appeals procedure and the record of appeals filed (including the record and disposition of each) shall be available for inspection by authorized representatives of the Iowa department of public health.

##### **80.5(3) *Appeal to department.***

*a.* If a consumer is dissatisfied with the decision of the local appeal, the consumer may appeal to the state. The appeal shall be made in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, within 15 days of the receipt of the local contractor's or authorized agency's appeal decision.

*b.* Department review. The department shall evaluate the appeal based upon the merits of the local appeal documentation. A department decision affirming, reserving, or modifying the local appeal decision shall be issued within 30 days of the receipt of all local appeal documentation. The department decision shall be in writing and sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the consumer and the contractor and the authorized agency.

**80.5(4) *Further appeal.*** The consumer may appeal the department's decision by submitting an appeal, within 10 days of the receipt of the department decision, to the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the department shall forward the appeal within 5 working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by the department of inspections and appeals regarding the

transmission of contested cases. The continued process for appeals shall be governed by 641—Chapter 173, Iowa Administrative Code.

**641—80.6(135) Case management.** Case management is a process optimizing self-care capabilities of consumers and their families in gaining access to needed medical, social, and other services.

**80.6(1) Case manager qualifications.** Individuals performing case management shall meet one of the following criteria:

- a. Be a registered nurse licensed to practice in the state of Iowa.
- b. Possess a bachelor's degree in family and consumer science, education, social work or other health or human services field.
- c. Be a licensed practical nurse with a current Iowa license.
- d. Be a home care aide who has an equivalent of two years' experience and who is supervised by an individual who meets one of the criteria in paragraphs "a" to "c."

**80.6(2) Case management services.** Case management services shall be provided at the direction of the consumer and shall include:

- a. An initial assessment of the consumer's needs.
- b. Development and implementation of a service plan to meet the identified needs.
- c. A team composed of the consumer and the case manager and other entities, such as providers relevant to the consumer's service needs or family members, who may be included at the discretion of the consumer.
- d. Face-to-face meetings with the consumer, which shall be held at least quarterly.
- e. Coordination and monitoring of delivery of services. Case managers do not provide direct services. Case managers link the consumer to appropriate resources and natural supports.
- f. Evaluation of outcomes.
- g. Reassessment and revision of the consumer's service plan, which shall be completed as needed, but no less than annually.
- h. Advocacy on behalf of the consumer.
- i. Communication with the consumer and team members regarding the consumer's progress toward achieving the goals of the service plan.
- j. Documentation which supports and demonstrates (1) the consumer's use of the case management process, (2) contacts with the consumer and with providers the consumer is using for services, and (3) other relevant information related to the coordination and delivery of case management services.
- k. Monitoring of the consumer's health, safety and welfare.
- l. An assurance that the consumer has a choice of providers.

**80.6(3) Consumer records.** Consumer records for case management, at a minimum, shall include the following:

- a. An initial assessment;
- b. A service plan;
- c. Reassessment;
- d. An emergency plan;
- e. Documentation of the following:
  - (1) Consumer and family contacts;
  - (2) The coordination and monitoring of services;
  - (3) Activities related to delivery of services (i.e., interdisciplinary team meetings);
  - (4) The evaluation of outcomes.

**641—80.7(135) Local board of health services.**

**80.7(1) Program purpose.** The purpose of this program is to increase the organizational capacity of county boards of health to develop conditions for healthy people and healthy communities through public health nursing, home care aide, core public health functions and population-based essential public health services in Iowa.

**80.7(2) Program services.** Local board of health services include public health essential services as defined in rule 641—80.2(135).

**80.7(3) Appropriation to county board of health.** The funding supports the efforts of local boards of health in addressing specific health priorities in each county. The appropriation to each county board of health is determined by the following formula: 30 percent of the total allocation shall be divided so that an equal amount is available for use in each county in the state. The remaining 70 percent shall be allocated to each county according to the county's population based on the department's current published vital statistics.

**641—80.8(135) Local public health services.**

**80.8(1) Program purpose.** The purpose of this program is to increase local public health capacity by implementing core public health functions and essential public health services to address health inequalities. Local public health services address health inequalities by advocating for population-based policies and services to improve the health of the whole population in an equal way.

**80.8(2) Program services.** Local public health services include:

- a. Assisting local boards of health in providing services that address health problem priorities identified in each county's health improvement plan.
- b. Advancing the goals of Healthy Iowans 2010.
- c. Providing financial support for targeted areas of service relating to Iowa's elderly and disabled populations (i.e., home- and community-based services, protective services, nursing (disease and disability), nursing (health maintenance), home care aide (personal care), home care aide (home helper), home care aide (chore) or home care aide (homemaker)).

**80.8(3) Appropriation to county board of health.** The appropriation to each county board of health is determined by the following formula: 40 percent of the total allocation shall be divided so that an equal amount is available for use in each county in the state. The remaining 60 percent shall be allocated to each county according to the county's population based on the department's current published vital statistics.

**641—80.9(135) Public health nursing services.** Public health nursing is a specialized nursing practice that combines the science and art of public health with the science and art of nursing.

**80.9(1) Program purpose.** The purpose of this program is to improve the health of the entire community, prevent illness, enhance the quality of life, and provide leadership to safeguard the health and wellness of the community. The program implements core public health functions and essential public health services to reduce, prevent or delay inappropriate institutionalization of consumers and to preserve families.

**80.9(2) Scope.** The practice of public health nursing is population-based, with the goals of promoting health and preventing disease and disability for all people through the creation of conditions in which people can be healthy. For the purposes of the state grant, public health nursing services include both personal health services and population-based services.

**80.9(3) Standards of practice of public health nursing** are consistent with the nursing process and include:

- a. *Assessment.* The public health nurse assesses the health status of populations using data, community resources identification, input from the population, and professional judgment.
- b. *Diagnosis.* The public health nurse analyzes collected assessment data and partners with people to attach meaning to those data and determine opportunities and needs.
- c. *Outcome identification.* The public health nurse participates with other community partners to identify expected outcomes in the populations and their health status.
- d. *Planning.* The public health nurse promotes and supports the development of programs, policies, and services that provide interventions that improve the health status of populations.
- e. *Evaluation.* The public health nurse evaluates the status of the population.

**80.9(4) Public health coordinator/supervisor qualifications.**

a. Individuals performing public health coordination/supervision shall meet one of the following criteria:

(1) Possess a bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited college or university in public health, health administration, nursing or other applicable field and a minimum of two years of related experience; or

(2) Be a registered nurse, licensed to practice by the Iowa board of nursing, who has a minimum of two years of related experience and has completed a course approved by the department within six months of employment.

b. By January 1, 2008, individuals who hold the position of public health coordinator/supervisor on or before June 30, 2007, shall meet one of the criteria in paragraph “a.”

**80.9(5)** Appropriation. The appropriation to each county is determined by the following formula: 25 percent of the total amount to be allocated shall be divided so that an equal amount is available for use in each county in the state. The remaining 75 percent shall be divided so that the share available for use in each county is proportionate to the number of elderly and low-income persons living in the county in relation to the total number of elderly and low-income persons living in the state.

**641—80.10(135) Home care aide services.** Home care aide services are intended to enhance the capacity of consumers to attain or maintain their independence. Trained and supervised direct care workers provide services to consumers who, due to the absence, incapacity or limitations of the usual homemaker, are experiencing stress or crisis.

**80.10(1)** Program purpose. The purpose of this program is to reduce, prevent or delay inappropriate institutionalization of consumers and to preserve families through the provision of supportive services by direct care workers who have completed training and are professionally supervised.

**80.10(2)** Scope. The direct care worker provides services for consumers by following a plan of care identifying assigned tasks. A direct care worker participates in activities to safeguard the health and wellness of the community and to implement core public health functions and essential public health services.

**80.10(3)** Authorized agency.

a. The authorized agency shall establish policies for supervision of direct care workers.

b. The authorized agency shall ensure that each direct care worker has completed adequate training and demonstrated competency for each task assigned. The required preservice education for direct care workers is outlined in the following chart:

Level of Direct Care Worker	Direct Care Worker I (equivalent to chore)	Direct Care Worker II (equivalent to home helper)	Direct Care Worker III (equivalent to homemaker)	Direct Care Worker IV (equivalent to personal care)	Direct Care Worker V (equivalent to protective worker)
<b>Scope of Services</b>	Provides services to a consumer necessary to enable the consumer to live independently and that encompass heavier cleaning tasks, including outside maintenance and chores. For chore services, there is no physical contact between the	Under the supervision of a professional, provides services to protect the environment for a self-directing consumer to preserve a safe and sanitary home	Under the supervision of a professional, provides services primarily in the homes of consumers who, due to the absence, incapacity or limitations of the usual homemaker or caregiver, are experiencing stress or crisis, to promote consumer health	Under the direction of nursing or medical staff, provides health-related services such as observation of self-administration of oral medications; checking the consumer’s pulse rate, temperature, and respiration rate; helping with simple	Provides services intended to stabilize a child’s or adult’s residential environment and relationships with relatives, caretakers, and other consumers and household members in order to alleviate a situation involving abuse or neglect or to otherwise protect the child or adult

<b>Level of Direct Care Worker</b>	<b>Direct Care Worker I (equivalent to chore)</b>	<b>Direct Care Worker II (equivalent to home helper)</b>	<b>Direct Care Worker III (equivalent to homemaker)</b>	<b>Direct Care Worker IV (equivalent to personal care)</b>	<b>Direct Care Worker V (equivalent to protective worker)</b>
	consumer and the direct care worker		and a safe, stable, sanitary home environment	prescribed exercises; keeping the consumer's rooms neat; changing nonsterile dressings; providing skin care and back rubs; assisting with braces and artificial limbs; or assisting the consumer in using medical equipment	from a threat of abuse or neglect; also provides services intended to prevent situations which could lead to abuse or neglect of a child or adult when a definite potential for abuse or neglect exists
<b>Services or tasks assigned include, but are not limited to:</b>	Heavy household cleaning, garbage removal, snow shoveling, changing light bulbs, putting screens on windows, covering and uncovering air conditioners, lawn care and mowing	Essential shopping and housekeeping	Money management, household management, consumer education, transportation, meal preparation, family preservation, family management, child care, assistance with personal care, respite, essential shopping, and housekeeping	Personal care and rehabilitative therapies	Family preservation, family management, money management, child care, and transportation
<b>Preservice Education</b>	Direct care worker possesses skills for tasks assigned	4 hours on role of the home care aide; 2 hours on communication; 2 hours on understanding basic human needs; 2 hours on maintaining a healthy environment; 2 hours on infection control in the home; and 1 hour on emergency procedures	60-hour home care aide training: A Model Curriculum and Teaching Guide for the Instruction of the Homemaker-Home Health Aide <b>OR</b> 75-hour certified nurse aide course and Direct Care Worker II preservice education <b>OR</b>	60-hour home care aide training: A Model Curriculum and Teaching Guide for the Instruction of the Homemaker-Home Health Aide <b>OR</b> 75-hour certified nurse aide course and Direct Care Worker II preservice education <b>OR</b>	Training in a department-approved curriculum

Level of Direct Care Worker	Direct Care Worker I (equivalent to chore)	Direct Care Worker II (equivalent to home helper)	Direct Care Worker III (equivalent to homemaker)	Direct Care Worker IV (equivalent to personal care)	Direct Care Worker V (equivalent to protective worker)
			Home care aide training and prior approval by the department	Home care aide training and prior approval by the department	
<b>Workforce Development (per calendar year)</b>	None	3 hours prorated to employment	12 hours prorated to employment	12 hours prorated to employment	12 hours prorated to employment
<b>Competency</b>	Documented skills for assigned tasks	Documented skills for assigned tasks	Documented skills for assigned tasks	Documented skills for assigned tasks	Documented skills for assigned tasks

**80.10(4)** Professional staff as providers of home care aide services. An individual who is in the process of receiving or who has completed the training required for LPN or RN licensure or who possesses an associate's degree or higher in social work, sociology, home economics or other health or human services field may be assigned to provide home care aide services if the following conditions are met:

- a. Services or tasks assigned are appropriate to the individual's prior training.
- b. Orientation to home care is conducted. Orientation includes adaptation of the individual's knowledge and skills from prior education to the home setting and to the role of the home care aide.

**80.10(5)** Care coordinator and service manager qualifications.

a. An individual performing care coordination or service management shall meet one of the following criteria:

- (1) Be a registered nurse licensed to practice in the state of Iowa.
- (2) Possess a bachelor's degree in family and consumer science, education, social work or other health or human services field.
- (3) Be a licensed practical nurse with a current Iowa license.

b. A home care aide with an equivalent of two years' experience may be delegated care coordination/service management duties as long as a qualified individual who meets one of the criteria in paragraph "a" retains responsibility and provides supervision and evidence of supervision.

c. An individual who has provided home care aide care coordination and service management prior to June 30, 2007, shall be considered qualified to continue in the position.

**80.10(6)** A qualified care coordinator or service manager may provide direct care services as appropriate to the individual's level of education and competency for the assignment.

**80.10(7)** The service manager's scheduling duty may be delegated to an individual not possessing one of the qualifications in paragraph 80.10(5) "a" provided that a qualified individual who meets one of the qualifications in 80.10(5) "a" retains responsibility and provides supervision and evidence of supervision.

**80.10(8)** Consumer records. The authorized agency shall maintain records for each consumer. The records shall include:

- a. An initial assessment.
- b. A plan of care.
- c. Assignment of direct care worker.
- d. Assignment of tasks.
- e. Reassessment.
- f. Update of plan of care.
- g. Direct care worker narrative notes.
- h. Documented supervision.



**80.10(9)** Appropriation. The appropriation to each county is determined by the following formula: 15 percent of the total allocation shall be divided so that an equal amount is available for use in each county in the state. The following percentages of the remaining 85 percent shall be allocated to each county according to that county's proportion of state residents with the following demographic characteristics:

- a.* Sixty percent according to the number of elderly persons living in the county.
- b.* Twenty percent according to the number of persons below the federal poverty guidelines living in the county.
- c.* Twenty percent according to the number of substantiated cases of child abuse in the county during the three most recent years for which data is available.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 135.

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CHAPTER 81  
GENERAL RULES FOR MIGRATORY LABOR CAMPS  
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**641—81.1(138) Shelters.**

**81.1(1) Heating season.** The season requiring artificial heating as provided in Iowa Code section 138.13 is designated as the period between September 15 and June 1.

**81.1(2) Minimum floor space requirements.** The following floor space requirements shall be provided:

*a.* At least 50 square feet per occupant for sleeping purposes only in family units and dormitory accommodations.

*b.* At least 40 square feet per occupant for sleeping purposes only in accommodations using double bunk beds.

**81.1(3) Inspection.** The operator of a migrant labor camp shall be in possession of keys to all migrant shelters in order that inspections can be made of the facilities at any reasonable time.

**81.1(4) Register.** A register of all occupants of a migrant labor camp shall be maintained and open to inspection by the Iowa department of public health representatives at all times when the camp is occupied.

**81.1(5) Separate rooms.** Housing used for families with one or more children six years of age or older shall have a room or partitioned sleeping area for the husband and wife. The partition shall be of rigid materials and installed so as to provide reasonable privacy.

**81.1(6) Storage.** Arrangements for hanging clothing and storing personal effects for each person or family shall be provided.

**641—81.2(138) Water supply.**

**81.2(1) General.**

*a.* The water supply shall be of a safe bacterial and chemical quality.

*b.* Where a public water supply is available, such water shall be used in the camp. If a private water source under pressure is provided, the water system shall be capable of delivering at least 35 gallons per person per day to the camp site.

*c.* Cistern supplies consisting of roof or other surface runoff water shall not be used for drinking or culinary purposes.

*d.* The adequacy of a well as a source of water for drinking or culinary purposes shall be determined by inspection and bacteriological examination. Defects found by inspection or contaminated samples shall be sufficient grounds for requiring repair, chlorination or condemnation of the well.

*e.* Water containing 45 or more parts per million nitrates shall not be used for drinking or preparation of formula for infants under one year of age. When the supply contains nitrates in the quantity above, water for infant feeding shall be obtained from another source that has been tested and found to be bacterially satisfactory and contains less than 45 parts per million nitrates. A water supply containing 45 or more parts per million of nitrates shall be placarded or posted stating the water shall not be used for infant feeding.

*f.* Wooden well platforms or manhole covers are prohibited.

*g.* Hand-pump bases shall be of the solid one-piece type bolted, including suitable gaskets, secured to the well casing by thread or weld connection. Handpumps secured to the platform by bolts cast in the concrete shall be provided with a rubber or neoprene gasket between the pump base and the platform to ensure a watertight joint.

*h.* The pump head shall be of a type designed to prevent external water or other contaminating material from entering the water chamber.

*i.* The pump spout shall be of the closed, downward-directed type.

*j.* No hand-operated type of pump or cylinder which requires priming shall be used. No pail and rope, bailer, or chain-bucket systems shall be used.

**81.2(2) Existing pump pits.** Existing pump pits may be approved if the construction conforms to the following minimum standards:

*a.* Walls, floor and top of pit shall be of watertight concrete or masonry construction or equivalent. The well casing shall extend at least 6 inches above the pit floor.

*b.* A positive seal shall be provided for the annular opening between the casing wall and the drop pipe.

*c.* A positive drain shall be provided by either a watertight sump and automatic sump pump discharging with at least a 6-inch free fall above the ground surface or an independent drain line discharging to the ground surface above any possible flood level. Pit drains discharging to any other drain or sewer are prohibited.

**81.2(3) Water supply systems.** The water supply system shall be installed so as to prevent backflow of contaminated water from appliances, fixtures, drains and sewers and shall have no cross-connections with any nonpotable supply or any other water supply which does not comply with these requirements.

**81.2(4) Water tanks.** All water to be hauled for a camp shall be obtained from an approved source. All equipment used for hauling or storage of potable water shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with a solution containing at least 200 parts per million of chlorine immediately before use. No equipment, tanks or reservoirs used for hauling or storing potable water shall be used for any other purpose.

#### **641—81.3(138) Waste disposal.**

**81.3(1) Solid waste disposal.** Solid waste shall be disposed of in a sanitary disposal project approved by the Iowa department of public health, or if disposed of on the premises, the solid wastes shall be buried so as to create no health hazard or nuisance.

##### **81.3(2) Liquid waste.**

*a.* Existing wastewater disposal systems shall be located and constructed so as not to create a nuisance or condition of pollution.

*b.* Water-carriage toilets shall discharge to a septic tank and solid absorption system or other type disposal system approved by the Iowa department of public health located, designed and constructed in accordance with the specifications set forth in the Iowa department of natural resources' current publication, "Residential Sewage Disposal Systems."

*c.* A leaching pit or other type disposal system approved by the Iowa department of public health shall be provided to receive the wastes from sinks, laundries, showers and tubs when no septic tank and absorption system is available. Such leaching pits shall be located and constructed in accordance with the specifications set forth in the Iowa department of natural resources' current publication, "Residential Sewage Disposal Systems."

#### **641—81.4(138) Bathing facilities.**

**81.4(1)** Showers shall be supplied with hot and cold water under pressure. Shower enclosures shall be sufficient to provide privacy for the user. An adjacent, enclosed dry area shall be provided for dressing. No duckboards, mats or other such accessories shall be permitted.

**81.4(2)** Automatic water-heating equipment, or storage tanks with hand-fired heating coils, shall be equipped with combination pressure and temperature relief valves or separate pressure and temperature relief valves. Temperature relief valves shall be located in the top one-eighth or not more than 3 inches above the top of the tank served. Pressure relief valves may be located adjacent to the tank. Gas-fired or other combustion-type water heaters shall be vented to the outside atmosphere.

#### **641—81.5(138) Central dining facilities.**

**81.5(1) Physical facilities.** When central dining facilities are provided by a concessionaire, operator or the manager of a camp, the size of the kitchen and dining hall shall be commensurate with the capacity of the housing and shall be separate from the sleeping quarters.

**81.5(2) Requirements.** When central cooking and eating facilities are provided by a concessionaire, operator or the manager of a camp, such facilities shall comply with the laws and rules of the Iowa department of inspections and appeals.

**641—81.6(138) Safety and fire.**

**81.6(1) Fire exits.**

*a.* Shelters of one story construction housing less than ten persons shall have two means of escape, one of which may be a readily accessible window with an openable space of at least 24 by 24 inches.

*b.* Sleeping quarters designed for ten or more persons, central dining facilities and common assembly rooms shall have at least two doors remotely separated so as to provide alternate means of escape.

*c.* Floors, above the first floor, used for sleeping quarters or common assembly rooms shall have a stairway and a permanent affixed exterior ladder or a second stairway.

**81.6(2) Shelter spacing.** In camps established after July 1, 1972, there shall be at least 10 feet of space in all directions between shelters.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 138.18.

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CHAPTER 82  
OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL HEALTH

**641—82.1(135) Purpose.** The office of multicultural health exists to actively promote and facilitate health equity for Iowa’s multicultural communities.

**641—82.2(135) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

“*Community*” is defined as a group of people living in the same locality and under the same government or a group viewed as forming a distinct segment of society.

“*Continual cultural competency*” is defined as a set of congruent behaviors, attitudes and policies that come together as a system or an agency or among professionals and that enable that system or agency or those professionals to work effectively in cross-cultural situations.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the department of public health.

“*Disparity*” is defined as the condition or fact of being unequal.

“*Diverse*” is defined as made up of distinct characteristics, qualities or elements.

“*Immigrant*” is defined as a person who leaves one country to settle permanently in another.

“*Minority*” is defined as a part of a population differing from others in one or more characteristics and often subjected to differential treatment. Racial and ethnic minorities are classified as people of African descent (African-American/Black), Hispanic/Latino descent, Asian/Pacific Islander descent, Native American descent, and refugees and immigrants.

“*Multicultural*” is inclusive of communities of racial, ethnic or linguistic diversity.

“*Refugee*” is defined as one who flees in search of refuge, as in times of war, political oppression, or religious persecution.

**641—82.3(135) Responsibilities of the office of multicultural health.** The office of multicultural health shall provide public health leadership regarding existing or potential issues or practices that can or could affect the health status of racial, ethnic, and linguistic multicultural individuals and families, immigrants and refugees. The office shall provide this leadership through the core functions of (1) education; (2) advocacy; (3) data management; (4) technical assistance and consultation; and (5) training and development. The office is responsible for the following:

**82.3(1)** Promoting continuous cultural competency in health care practice and education throughout Iowa’s public health care sector;

**82.3(2)** Collecting and providing valid empirical information on the health status of multicultural groups in Iowa;

**82.3(3)** Advocating for the development of policies and programs that improve the health of Iowa’s racially, ethnically and linguistically diverse populations and addressing health disparities that exist within these populations;

**82.3(4)** Providing technical planning assistance to communities and counties throughout the state;

**82.3(5)** Advocating for Iowa’s racial, ethnic, and linguistic multicultural communities;

**82.3(6)** Creating and promoting a climate of inclusiveness in the public health sector on state, regional and local levels by partnering with its racial, ethnic, and linguistic multicultural constituents in Iowa to help them improve their collective health status; and

**82.3(7)** Promoting the Iowa public health standards and providing technical assistance and consultation regarding state and local criteria relating to disparate populations and delivery of culturally appropriate services.

**641—82.4(135) Advisory council.** A multicultural health advisory council shall be established within the department.

**82.4(1) Membership.** The council shall be composed of no more than 15 voting members appointed by the director.

*a.* Membership shall include the following:

- (1) One representative from each of the six local public health service regions;
- (2) One representative from the Meskwaki Settlement;
- (3) Public-sector representatives such as legislators and state commissioners;
- (4) Service-sector representatives such as representatives from the department of human services, local councils, education, and health care;
- (5) Private-sector representatives such as business leaders, representatives from grassroots, nonprofit, faith-based and volunteer organizations, and community leaders.

*b.* A term of appointment is three years, with no more than three consecutive terms. An exception for individual reappointment from organizations represented shall be determined by the director.

*c.* The advisory council shall elect a chairperson.

*d.* In the case of a vacancy, the chairperson shall notify the department of the need to appoint another representative. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

*e.* The advisory council may designate one or more subcommittees to have such powers and perform such duties as may be deemed necessary by the council.

**82.4(2) Duties.** The advisory council shall perform the following duties:

*a.* Provide advice and make recommendations on diverse racial, ethnic, and linguistic health issues to the department, the office of multicultural health, and policy makers;

*b.* Provide advice and make recommendations on public policies and practices that affect multicultural communities; and

*c.* Provide advice and make recommendations on funding that supports the activities of the office of multicultural health.

**82.4(3) Meetings.** The advisory council shall meet at least four times a year to conduct its business. Meetings may be scheduled more frequently as business requires.

*a.* Notice of meetings and agenda shall be made available to council members a minimum of five working days prior to the meeting.

*b.* The operation of council meetings shall be governed by the following rules of procedure:

(1) A majority of the members of the council shall constitute a quorum.

(2) Action can be taken by a vote of the majority of the members of the council.

(3) Robert's Rules of Order shall govern at all meetings.

*c.* All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the open meetings law, found at Iowa Code chapter 21.

**82.4(4) Absences.** Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the advisory council member and to appoint another. The chairperson of the advisory council is charged with providing notification of absences.

**82.4(5) Minutes.** The advisory council shall keep minutes of all its meetings showing the date, time, place, members present, members absent, and the general topics discussed.

*a.* The minutes shall reflect the actions agreed upon by the members for topics requiring the members' input or consensus.

*b.* The minutes shall be provided to the members of the advisory council prior to the next scheduled meeting.

*c.* The minutes shall be available at the office of multicultural health for inspection Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with the exception of holidays.

**82.4(6) Expenses of the council.** The following may be considered necessary expenses for reimbursement of advisory council members when incurred on behalf of advisory council business and are subject to established state reimbursement rates:

*a.* Reimbursement for travel in a private car.

*b.* Actual lodging and meal expenses, including sales tax on lodging and meals.

*c.* Actual expenses for public transportation.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.12.

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CHAPTER 83  
IOWA SENIOR HEALTH PROGRAM

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CHAPTER 84  
STATE SUBSTITUTE MEDICAL DECISION-MAKING BOARD

**641—84.1(135) Purpose.** A state substitute medical decision-making board is established to formulate policy and guidelines for the operations of local substitute medical decision-making boards and to act if a local board does not exist. The state board shall also develop rules for adoption by the department pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A for the appointment and operation of the local substitute medical decision-making boards.

The state board is comprised of medical professionals and laypersons appointed by the director and the state board of health according to rules adopted by the department. The state substitute medical decision-making board and its members are not liable, jointly or severally, for actions or omissions taken or made in the official discharge of their duties, except those acts or omissions constituting willful or wanton misconduct.

**641—84.2(135) Composition of board.** The state substitute medical decision-making board shall consist of 15 members at least 4 of whom shall be licensed in Iowa as doctors of medicine and surgery or as osteopathic physicians and surgeons, as defined by law.

**641—84.3(135) Appointment.** All members of the board shall be appointed by the director of public health and approved by the state board of health. The appointments shall be for three-year staggered terms which shall expire on June 30.

Any vacancy occurring on the board shall be filled by the director, with approval of the state board of health, for the unexpired term of the vacancy.

**641—84.4(135) Duties.** The board shall formulate rules, policies and guidelines for the local substitute medical decision-making boards established in Iowa Code section 135.29.

**641—84.5(135) Officers.** Officers of the board shall be a chairperson and a vice chairperson and shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year. Vacancies in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice chairperson. Vacancies in the office of vice chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs.

The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the board, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. The chairperson shall also appoint panels to act on cases appealed from local board decisions and cases submitted to the state board from counties which do not have local boards. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting the vice chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**641—84.6(135) Meetings.** The board shall meet as necessary at the call of the chairperson or the director. Two-thirds of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum. Actions can be taken by a majority vote of the board membership.

**641—84.7(135) Panels.** The board shall act on cases appealed from local board decisions and cases submitted to the state board from counties which do not have local boards through the use of panels as defined in 641—Chapter 85. Such panels shall function in the same manner as specified for local panels in 641—Chapter 85 and shall have the same authority to make decisions as the local panels.

**641—84.8(135) Review of local boards.** The state board shall, at least annually, review the reports and activities of the local boards to ensure compliance with the law and rules and to determine the need for changes.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.28.

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CHAPTER 85  
LOCAL SUBSTITUTE MEDICAL DECISION-MAKING BOARDS

**641—85.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish the requirements and procedures for local substitute medical decision-making boards. Counties may establish local substitute medical decision-making boards for patients who are incapable of making their own medical care decisions and who have no other surrogate decision maker available. If the patient has designated an individual to have durable power of attorney for health care or has a guardian or has family members who are reasonably available, willing and able to make medical care decisions, the case should not be submitted to the substitute medical decision-making board. If the patient has provided advance directives which cover the proposed care, the case should not be submitted to the board.

**641—85.2(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

**85.2(1)** *“Conflict of interest”* means a standard which precludes the participation of a panel member in the proceedings with regard to a patient whenever the panel member is a relative of the patient, is a direct care provider of the patient or has a financial interest in the patient.

**85.2(2)** *“Correspondent”* means a person other than a relative of the patient who has demonstrated a genuine interest in promoting the best interest of a patient by having a personal relationship with the patient, by participating in the planning of a patient’s care and treatment, by regularly visiting the patient, or by regularly communicating with the patient.

**85.2(3)** *“Department”* means Iowa department of public health.

**85.2(4)** *“Local board”* means a local substitute medical decision-making board established under Iowa Code section 135.29.

**85.2(5)** *“Medical care”* means care a reasonably prudent person would consider to be medically necessary. It includes, but is not limited to, procedures which involve any significant invasion of bodily integrity requiring an incision or producing substantial pain, discomfort, debilitation or which has a potential for significant bodily harm. This includes, but is not limited to, any medical, surgical or diagnostic intervention or procedure for which a general anesthetic is used. Medical care may include placement decisions where there is inadequate time to obtain appointment of a guardian and the placement is a medical consideration or a medical necessity.

The definition does not include discontinuance of medical treatment which is sustaining life functions because the board does not have authority to make this decision.

The definition also does not include the following types of care which can ordinarily be provided without special approval and do not need to be submitted to the board for consideration:

- a. Routine office-based care or routine dental care;
- b. Routine diagnosis or treatment such as extraction of bodily fluids for analysis, administration of medications or routine activities of daily living support;
- c. Any procedure which is provided under emergency circumstances.

**85.2(6)** *“Other surrogate decision maker”* means an attorney-in-fact, guardian, spouse, adult child, parent or an adult sibling who is reasonably available, willing and able to make a medical care decision.

**85.2(7)** *“Panel”* means a group of three or more members of a local board or the state board who are appointed by the chairperson of that board to hear a case when an application has been filed with the board or when an appeal has been filed with the state board.

**85.2(8)** *“Patient”* means the person for whom the medical care decision is proposed. They may be in a hospital, long-term care facility, home, or other setting.

**85.2(9)** *“Person incapable of making their own medical care decisions”* means a patient who is unable to adequately understand and appreciate the nature and consequences of a proposed medical care decision, including the benefits and risks of the proposed medical care and of alternatives to such care, and cannot thereby reach an informed decision to consent or refuse such care in a knowing and voluntary manner that promotes the patient’s well-being and autonomy. This incapability may be temporary or permanent.

**85.2(10)** *“Physician”* means any individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

**85.2(11)** “*State board*” means the state substitute medical decision-making board established under Iowa Code section 135.28.

**641—85.3(135) Appointment of local boards.**

**85.3(1)** The county board of supervisors may establish and fund a local substitute medical decision-making board. The board shall include one or more representatives from each of the following three categories:

- a. Physicians, nurses, or psychologists licensed by the state of Iowa.
- b. Attorneys admitted to the practice of law in Iowa or social workers.
- c. Other individuals with recognized expertise or interest in persons unable to make their own medical care decisions not included in “a” and “b” above.

The county board of supervisors may appoint and fund a hospital ethics committee to serve as the local decision-making board provided that the composition of the committee fulfills the above requirements.

**85.3(2)** County boards of supervisors may join together to form a multicounty local substitute medical decision-making board pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 28E. If a multicounty board is established, the agreement shall specify the procedure for appointment of board members and the procedure for allocation of expenses.

**85.3(3)** Board members shall be appointed to terms of three years with staggered terms.

**85.3(4)** The board shall elect a chairperson at the first meeting of each fiscal year.

**85.3(5)** The county board of supervisors shall notify the state board when a local board is appointed and shall submit a list of the members appointed.

**641—85.4(135) Filing an application.**

**85.4(1)** Any person having knowledge and concern may file the application on behalf of any patient residing within the geographic area served by the local board, when the person filing the application believes the patient is incapable of decision making, is in need of medical care, and has no other surrogate decision maker available.

**85.4(2)** The local board of the county of residence of the patient shall have jurisdiction except the local board may, by mutual consent, transfer jurisdiction to the local board in the county where the treatment is being considered.

**85.4(3)** The application shall be made in writing and shall include the following:

- a. The relationship of the person filing the application to the patient.
- b. A statement that the patient does not have an attorney-in-fact, guardian, spouse, adult child, parent or an adult sibling who is reasonably available, willing and able to make the medical care decision. The application shall provide the factual basis for such a statement, including the efforts made to contact such persons.

c. The reasons for believing that the person lacks the capability to consent to or refuse medical care and the factual basis supported by an appropriate statement for this belief.

d. The patient’s opinion regarding the proposed care, if known, and the source(s) of the information regarding this opinion.

e. If the patient’s opinion regarding the proposed care is not known, the person filing the application shall include a stated opinion on whether the best interests of the patient would be promoted by such care and the basis for the opinion.

f. Any other information that may be necessary to determine the need for such care, including a copy of a second medical or dental opinion which would be required by a prudent physician or dentist based on the nature of the proposed medical care.

g. A statement, completed, signed and dated by a physician or dentist including:

(1) A description of the proposed medical care and the patient’s medical or dental condition which requires such treatment indicating the date of diagnosis;

(2) The risks and benefits to the patient of the proposed care and any alternative treatments including consideration and consequences of nontreatment; and

(3) A statement whether the patient has any medical or dental condition which would prevent the patient's travel to or presence at the panel meeting and including a description of such condition.

*h.* The application shall be signed and dated by the person filing it stating that the information on the application is true to the best of that person's knowledge, except for any portion signed and dated by another person who shall make a similar statement as to that portion.

**641—85.5(135) Notification of patient and review of application.**

**85.5(1)** When an application is received, the patient shall be notified that an application has been submitted, a hearing will be scheduled, and the patient will be notified of the time and place of the hearing. The notification shall inform the patient of the right to be present, to testify orally or in writing, and to designate someone to represent the patient at the hearing. The hearing shall be held no less than 48 hours after the patient receives this notification.

**85.5(2)** The board chairperson or designee shall preliminarily review the application to ascertain whether additional information may be necessary to assist the board in determining the patient's need for surrogate decision making and in determining whether the patient's best interests will be served by consenting to or refusing medical care on the patient's behalf. The board chairperson or designee may:

*a.* Request and shall, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, be entitled to receive from any physician, hospital or health care facility or person licensed to render health care, any information which is relevant to the patient's need for surrogate decision making or for the proposed medical care. Such information may include, among other things: information regarding the patient's preferences regarding medical care; facts regarding the patient's attorney-in-fact, guardian, spouse, adult child, parent, or an adult sibling; facts and professional opinions regarding the patient's inability to consent to or refuse medical care; and facts and professional opinions regarding whether the proposed medical care is in the patient's best interests; the board chairperson or designee shall maintain the confidentiality of records as required by Iowa Code chapters 22, 141, and 228, and 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2, as of January 1, 1992, or any other applicable confidentiality law provision;

*b.* Consult with any other person who might assist in such a determination of the best interests of the patient, including ascertainment of the personal beliefs and values of the patient.

**641—85.6(135) Panel appointment and procedures.**

**85.6(1)** When an application is filed, the chairperson shall appoint a panel to handle the case and designate a panel chairperson. The panel shall consist of at least three members with at least one from each category listed in rule 85.3(135). A person shall not participate on a panel for a case when that person has a conflict of interest. The panel may include the entire local board.

**85.6(2)** Upon appointment of the panel, the board chairperson or designee shall provide a copy of the application to each panel member accompanied by a notice of the time, place and date of the panel hearing on the application. The notice of the hearing shall also be provided to the patient, the person who filed the application, and any other interested party, if known. The notice shall inform the recipients of the procedures of the panel, including the opportunity for the recipient to be present and to be heard. The notice shall be given no less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled time for the hearing.

**85.6(3)** The general procedures of the hearing are as follows:

*a.* The panel shall be empowered to administer oaths and take testimony from any person who might assist the panel in making its decision. It shall also be empowered to conduct its proceeding via telephone conference calls in appropriate cases, unless someone objects and requests a face-to-face hearing.

*b.* A record of the deliberations and proceedings of the panel shall be made and retained for ten years. Such record shall include any information, record, assessment or consultation submitted to or considered by the panel.

*c.* The panel and each member of the local board shall maintain the confidentiality of records as required by Iowa Code chapters 22, 141, and 228 and 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2 or any other applicable confidentiality law provision.

*d.* The patient shall have the right to be present at the hearing and the right to express feelings to the panel orally or in writing and the right to designate someone to represent the patient before the panel.

*e.* If at any time during the pendency or prior to initiation of treatment, an attorney-in-fact, guardian, spouse, adult child, parent or an adult sibling is reasonably available, willing and able to consent to or refuse such care on the patient's behalf, objects to the panel acting upon the application, the proceedings regarding such patient shall cease. A record of any such person's objection shall be included as part of the record as provided for by this section.

*f.* The panel shall issue its written decision within 24 hours after the conclusion of the hearing. The decision shall state when the decision shall become effective and shall include a statement describing the right of appeal. The written decision shall be issued to the necessary persons, including the patient.

*g.* If the decision is hand-delivered, it shall not be effective sooner than 24 hours after the written decision is delivered to the patient or the person designated by the patient in 85.6(3) "e." If the decision is sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, it shall not be effective sooner than 48 hours after it is mailed. The date, time, and method of delivery of the decision to the patient shall be noted in the record.

*h.* A panel determination that a patient is in need of surrogate decision making for the proposed medical care shall not be valid for any future medical care and shall not be construed or deemed valid for any other purpose or for any other future medical care unless the determination explicitly applies to related or continuing treatment necessitated by the original treatment. No panel determination shall be valid after 60 days from its effective date unless the determination explicitly states otherwise.

*i.* All information, records, assessments or consultations submitted to or considered by the panel or board and the panel and board deliberations are confidential as required by Iowa Code chapters 22, 141, and 228 and 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2 or any other applicable confidentiality law provision.

**641—85.7(135) Panel determination of need for surrogate decision making.** The panel's determination of the patient's need for surrogate decision making shall be made in accordance with the following provisions:

**85.7(1)** The panel shall decide based upon a preponderance of evidence whether the patient is in need of surrogate decision making by determining that the patient: lacks the ability to consent to or refuse the proposed medical care and does not have an attorney-in-fact, guardian, spouse, adult child, parent, or an adult sibling who is reasonably available, willing and able to make such a decision.

The method of determining patient's capability to consent to or refuse care shall include examination of patient by a licensed physician with a written report to the local board.

When practical, the panel members shall personally interview and observe the patient as a part of the hearing. If a personal appearance by the patient before the panel is not practical, then either the panel chairperson shall designate a member of the panel to interview and observe the patient prior to the hearing or the panel shall require one of the following:

1. Written report of examination by psychiatrist.
2. Written report of examination by psychologist.
3. Written report of examination by physician not involved in case.
4. Written report from a department of human services investigator involved with patient.
5. Written report from long-term care case management project.

**85.7(2)** In making the determination of whether the patient lacks the capacity to consent to or refuse the proposed medical care, the panel or board shall consider whether the patient is unable to adequately understand and appreciate the nature and consequences of the proposed medical care.

**85.7(3)** A majority of the panel members must vote in the affirmative that the patient is in need of surrogate decision making or the patient will be deemed not to need surrogate decision making.

**85.7(4)** A panel determination that a patient is in need of surrogate decision making shall not be construed or deemed to be a legal determination that such person is incompetent.

**85.7(5)** In the event the panel or board has determined the patient to be capable of decision making, then the patient's consent to or refusal of such treatment, if given, shall constitute valid consent or refusal. No other consent shall be required by a provider of health services.



**641—85.8(135) Panel determination regarding proposed medical care decision.** If a patient has been determined by the panel to be in need of surrogate decision making, the panel's determination regarding the proposed medical care shall be made in accordance with the following provisions:

**85.8(1)** The past or present expression of wishes by the patient will be presumed valid unless clearly overcome by other evidence. The patient's autonomy should always be respected.

**85.8(2)** If there is no clear preference by the patient, the panel shall make the determination whether the proposed medical care is in the best interests of the patient based upon a preponderance of the evidence by considering the following standards:

*a.* The burdens of the treatment to the patient in terms of pain and suffering outweighing the benefits or whether the proposed treatment would merely prolong the patient's suffering and not provide any net benefit;

*b.* The degree, expected duration, and constancy of pain with and without treatment, and the possibility that the pain could be mitigated by less intrusive forms of medical treatment including the administration of medications;

*c.* The likely prognosis, expectant level of functioning, degree of humiliation and dependency with or without the proposed medical care; and

*d.* Evaluation of treatment options, including nontreatment, and their benefits and risks compared to those of the proposed medical care.

**85.8(3)** A majority of the panel members must vote in the affirmative for a valid determination of consent to or refusal of medical care on behalf of the patient.

**85.8(4)** The panel determination consenting to or refusing medical care shall constitute valid consent to or refusal of such treatment in the same manner and to the same extent as if the patient were able to consent or refuse on the patient's own behalf.

**85.8(5)** The panel's consent to medical care shall state that any tissues or parts surgically removed may be disposed of or preserved by the provider of health services in accordance with customary practice.

**641—85.9(135) Right of appeal.**

**85.9(1)** The patient, the person who filed the application, or a correspondent may appeal the local board's decision to the state board. The appeal must be made before the date and time that the consent becomes effective. The person appealing shall notify the local board or the department of the appeal. The notice of the appeal shall be in writing or by telephone followed by a written appeal to the department. If the appeal is initially made by telephone, the written appeal to the department shall be postmarked within 48 hours of the telephone notice. The written appeal shall state the reason for the appeal. If the initial appeal is made to the local board, the local board representative shall immediately notify the department and the health care provider. If the initial appeal is made to the department, the department representative shall immediately notify the local board and the health care provider.

**85.9(2)** Upon receipt of the notice of appeal the local board shall immediately provide a copy of the record of the case to the state board. The state board chairperson shall appoint a panel to review the case. The panel shall consist of at least three members with the same composition requirements as the local panels as specified in rule 85.6(135). The panel shall review the record to determine whether the determination by the local panel is supported by substantial evidence. The state panel shall also review new information which is submitted regarding the case. The state panel's decision shall be based on a review of the record and a review of any new information and shall be made in accordance with the provisions for local panel determination in rules 85.7(135) and 85.8(135). The state panel's decision shall be promptly sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or otherwise provided by any other means that will provide more timely or reliable written notice to: the patient, the person filing the appeal, the person who filed the application and the chairperson of the local board. If any of these persons are dissatisfied with the state panel's decision, an appeal may be taken in the manner provided by Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—85.10(135) Procedure when there is no local board.** If an application is filed on behalf of a patient residing in a county which does not have a local board, the application shall be submitted to the

department. When an application is filed with the department, the chairperson of the state substitute medical decision-making board shall appoint a panel to handle the case. The panel shall consist of at least three members with the same composition requirements as the local panels. The state panel shall follow the same procedures as the local board or panel. If a decision is made by a panel of the state board, it may be appealed as provided in rule 85.9(135). The appeal shall be heard by a second panel appointed by the chairperson of the state board.

**641—85.11(135) Records and reports.** Each fiscal year, prior to October 1, the local board shall submit an annual report to the state board on forms provided by the state board. The report shall include summary information regarding the number, nature and disposition of applications filed with the local board in the preceding year. It shall also include a list of the local board members and officers for the new year and such other information as the state board may deem necessary. Members of the state board or authorized representatives of the department shall have access to all records of the local boards. All record information which is excluded from public access and inspection pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 22, 141 or 228 and 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2, or any other confidentiality law provision shall be respected by the state board members and department representatives.

**641—85.12(135) Liability.** The local substitute medical decision-making board and its members shall not be held liable, jointly or separately, for any actions or omissions taken or made in the official discharge of their duties, except those acts or omissions constituting willful or wanton misconduct.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.28 and 135.29.

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CHAPTER 86  
PLACES WHERE DEAD HUMAN BODIES ARE PREPARED  
FOR BURIAL OR ENTOMBMENT  
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**641—86.1(156) Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish standards for the operation and inspection of places where dead human bodies are prepared for burial, cremation or entombment.

**641—86.2(156) Definitions.**

“*Board*” means the board of mortuary science examiners.

“*Cremated remains*” means the body of a deceased person, including any form of body prosthesis that has been permanently attached to or implanted in the body.

“*Cremation*” means the technical process, using heat and flame, that reduces human remains to bone fragments. The reduction takes place through heat and evaporation. Cremation shall include the processing, and may include the pulverization, of the bone fragments.

“*Cremation chamber*” means the enclosed space within which the cremation takes place.

“*Cremation establishment*” means a place of business which provides any aspect of cremation of human remains.

“*Cremation room*” means the room in which the cremation chamber is located.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Funeral establishment*” means a place of business, as defined by the board of mortuary science examiners, devoted to providing any aspect of mortuary science.

“*Human remains*” means a deceased human being for which a death certificate or fetal death certificate is required.

“*Listed*” means equipment or materials included in a list published by an agency that maintains periodic inspection on current production of listed equipment or materials and whose listing states either that the equipment or material complies with approved standards or has been tested and found suitable for use in a specified manner.

“*Preparation room*” means a room in a funeral establishment where human remains are prepared, sanitized, embalmed or held for ceremonies and final disposition.

**641—86.3(156) Licensing.** No person, business or corporation shall operate a funeral establishment, preparation room or cremation chamber without first licensing the establishment with the board.

**641—86.4(156) Public access areas.** Public access areas of funeral homes and crematorium establishments shall have a public rest room with hot and cold running water.

**641—86.5(156) Preparation room.** The preparation room shall meet the following standards:

**86.5(1)** The preparation room shall be of such size and dimensions to accommodate and shall contain an embalming table, an appropriate sink, or other liquid waste receptacle with sewer and water connections, suitable cabinet or shelves, and hand-washing facilities to include hot water, soap and towels.

**86.5(2)** The preparation room shall be private. It shall not be used as a passageway from room to room. No toilet or commode shall be located within the preparation room. Only equipment necessary for use in preparation of bodies for burial, shipment or cremation shall be permitted in the preparation room.

**86.5(3)** There shall be a toilet and hand-washing facility accessible elsewhere in the building.

**86.5(4)** Ventilation shall be provided by an exhaust fan vented to the outside of the building.

**86.5(5)** Doors and windows of the preparation room shall be so installed and constructed as to obstruct view from outside and to prevent fumes and odors from entering any other part of the building.

**86.5(6)** There shall be adequate lighting. Light fixtures shall be easy to clean and kept clean.

**86.5(7)** The preparation room shall be provided with an adequate water supply with hot and cold running water.

**86.5(8)** The building drainage system must be discharged into the municipal sewage system where such a system is available. Where a municipal sewage system is not available, the building drainage system must be discharged into a private system of waste disposal acceptable to the Iowa department of natural resources and the Iowa department of public health.

**86.5(9)** Backflow prevention.

*a.* Funeral homes not meeting the requirements of 86.5(9) “c” shall have water-supplied aspirators equipped with a listed atmospheric vacuum breaker mounted at least six inches above the aspirator. The discharge of the aspirator shall be through an air gap.

*b.* Funeral homes not meeting the requirements of 86.5(9) “c” shall have hose bibbs protected by a listed nonremovable hose bibb type backflow preventer. Potable water outlets with a tube connection fitting shall be protected by a listed atmospheric vacuum breaker mounted at least six inches above the highest point of water usage.

*c.* In new construction, the water supply to the preparation room and to fixtures in the preparation room shall be protected against backflow in accordance with the Iowa state plumbing code (641—Chapter 25) or in accordance with the ordinance of the political subdivision in which the facility is located, provided that the requirements of the ordinance are equal to or greater than the requirements of the Iowa state plumbing code.

**86.5(10)** The embalming table shall have a top composed of stainless steel, porcelain or other rustproof material, and the edges shall be raised at least three-fourths inch around the entire table. There shall be a drain opening in the table.

**86.5(11)** Each preparation room shall have a covered, watertight receptacle for solid refuse.

**86.5(12)** All preparation rooms shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. All embalming tables, sinks, receptacles, instruments and other appliances used in embalming dead human bodies shall be thoroughly cleaned with hot water and disinfectant. There shall be available a suitable means to sterilize instruments.

**641—86.6(156) Crematorium chambers.**

**86.6(1)** Cremation chambers shall be installed according to the manufacturer’s recommendations.

**86.6(2)** Cremation chambers shall be vented to the outside of the building.

**86.6(3)** There shall be a means to bring in a fresh air supply to aid in combustion.

**86.6(4)** The room where the cremation chamber is located shall have adequate exhaust to prevent heat buildup.

**86.6(5)** The cremation chamber shall be cleaned after each use, with cremated remains and pulverized materials being placed in containers as defined in 645—100.1(156).

**641—86.7(156) Inspection fees.** Inspection fees shall be billed to the owner of a funeral home or crematorium upon the completion of an inspection. Inspection fees are due upon receipt of a notice of payment due. When the funeral home or crematorium is located within the contracted area of a board of health that has a 28E agreement for inspections with the department, inspection fees billed shall be paid to the contracted board of health or its designee.

**86.7(1)** The fee for the inspection of a funeral home or crematorium shall be \$15 for each facility.

**86.7(2)** Penalty. Inspection fees not received by the department or contracted board of health within 45 days of the date of billing will be assessed a \$25 penalty for each month or fraction thereof that the payment is delinquent.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 156.

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CHAPTER 87  
HEALTHY FAMILIES IOWA (HFI)

**641—87.1(135) Purpose.** These rules are intended to establish standards for the healthy families Iowa (HFI) program, a family support program that provides services to families and children during the prenatal to preschool years through home visitation. This program shall be identified as healthy opportunities for parents to experience success—healthy families Iowa (HOPES-HFI). The HOPES-HFI program is intended to promote optimal child health and development; improve family coping skills and functioning; promote positive parenting skills and intrafamilial interaction; and prevent child abuse and neglect and infant mortality and morbidity. These rules outline the process by which the department assists the Iowa empowerment board in managing contracting for HOPES-HFI funds.

**641—87.2(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following terms shall have the meaning indicated in this rule:

*“Accreditation”* means national recognition of compliance with Healthy Families America standards through a peer review process.

*“Applicant”* means a governmental or nonprofit agency that received grant funds in the previous fiscal year, is fully accredited by Healthy Families America, and applies to the department during a competitive year. In any year in which expansion funds are available for the HOPES-HFI program, the department shall award new grants, subject to annual renewal, to selected applicants in a competitive process.

*“Competitive grant”* means the competitive grant application process to determine the grant awards for a project period.

*“Contractor”* means a governmental or nonprofit agency that holds a contract with the department to provide HOPES-HFI services.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Family support”* means community-based services to promote the well-being of children and families.

1. Family support programs have the following characteristics:

- Family-driven, meaning there is a true partnership with families.
  - Comprehensive, flexible, and individualized for each family based on the family’s culture, needs, values and preferences.
  - Build on strengths to increase the stability of family members and the family unit.
  - Utilize informal and formal support networks.
2. Family support programs produce the following results:
- Increased parent confidence and competence in parenting abilities.
  - Safe, stable, and supportive families who are connected to their communities.
  - Enhanced health, growth, and development of children and adults in the family unit.

*“Healthy Families America”* or *“HFA”* means a research-based national program model designed to help overburdened families. HFA is a family support program that provides services to families and children during the prenatal to preschool years through home visitation.

*“Healthy families Iowa”* or *“HFI”* means the state family support program that provides services to families and children during the prenatal to preschool years through home visitation.

*“Home visitation”* means a face-to-face interaction that occurs between the participant(s) and home visitor. The goals of the home visit are to promote positive parent-child interaction and healthy childhood growth and development and to enhance family functioning. Typically, home visits occur in the home, lasting a minimum of an hour, and the child is present.

*“HOPES-HFI”* means the healthy opportunities for parents to experience success—healthy families Iowa program. The HOPES-HFI program is intended to promote optimal child health and development; improve family coping skills and functioning; promote positive parenting skills and intrafamilial interaction; and prevent child abuse and neglect and infant mortality and morbidity.

“*Nonprofit*” means an entity that meets the requirement for tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4).

“*Participant*” means a family voluntarily enrolled in and receiving services from the program.

“*Project period*” means the period of time the department intends to support the project without requiring competition for funds.

**641—87.3(135) Applicant eligibility.** Governmental or nonprofit agencies that received grant funds in the previous fiscal year, are fully accredited by HFA, and apply to the department during a competitive year are eligible applicants for funding. The purpose of the applications is to administer HOPES-HFI services for a specified project period, as defined in the request for proposals, with an annual continuation application.

**641—87.4(135) Participant eligibility.** Families must meet the following requirements to be eligible to participate in the HOPES-HFI program: (1) A family member is pregnant or the family has a child aged birth to five years; and (2) The family is determined to be eligible for enrollment according to a universal risk assessment as defined by HFA standards.

**641—87.5(135) Program requirements.** Contractors shall meet the following minimum program requirements:

**87.5(1) Accreditation.** Contractors shall comply with Healthy Families America (HFA) standards and maintain HFA or Council on Accreditation (COA) accreditation status. HOPES-HFI contractors will be required to submit evidence of reaccreditation reports to the department within 30 days of receipt.

**87.5(2) Participant identification.** Contractors shall collaborate with health care, human services, education, and other partners serving pregnant women and women of childbearing age to identify families who are at risk in order to promote positive birth and parenting outcomes.

**87.5(3) Standardized tools.** Contractors shall utilize standardized tools approved by the department to assess and reassess a participant’s risk status and achievements and the appropriate level of service.

**87.5(4) Quality assessment and improvement.** Contractors shall develop a process for annual program evaluation. The process shall include the following:

*a.* The outcome of the program evaluation shall be reviewed by the program’s governing or advisory board with recommendations made for program improvement.

*b.* The evaluation shall demonstrate the effectiveness of the program through program outcomes, including acceptance and retention rates.

**641—87.6(135) Contractor assurance.** In order to receive funding, the contractor shall provide to the department assurance that all applicable federal, state, and local requirements are met. The contractor shall ensure compliance with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, and all affirmative action requirements. In addition, the contractor shall ensure the following:

**87.6(1) Program policies and procedures.** Policies and procedures shall be in accordance with HFA standards.

**87.6(2) Personnel policies and procedures.** The personnel policies and procedures shall, at a minimum, include:

*a.* Conditions of employment, including recruitment, selection, termination, promotion, and compensation.

*b.* A leave of absence policy.

*c.* A grievance procedure.

*d.* Annual employee performance evaluations.

*e.* A nondiscrimination policy.

*f.* Fringe benefits.

*g.* Employment application forms that comply with civil rights regulations.

*h.* Current job descriptions that delineate qualifications, responsibilities, and essential functions, that reflect current responsibilities, and that are dated.

*i.* A current salary schedule.

**87.6(3) Fiscal management.** Fiscal management shall, at a minimum, include the following:

*a.* An annual budget.

*b.* Fiscal policies and procedures that follow generally accepted accounting practices.

*c.* Utilization of other funds such as private and third-party funds when available.

**641—87.7(135) Applicant appeal process.**

**87.7(1) Right of appeal.** The right to appeal shall be granted when an applicant's application to participate is denied. The right to appeal shall also be granted when, during the course of the contract or agreement period, a contractor is disqualified or any other action that affects participation is taken. For participating contractors, a minimum of 60 days' advance notice shall be given before the effective date of the action.

**87.7(2) Request for hearing.** An appeal is brought by filing a written request for a hearing with the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, within ten days of receipt of notification of the adverse action. The written request for hearing shall state the adverse action being appealed.

**87.7(3) Contested cases.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information that may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**87.7(4) Notice of hearing.** The administrative law judge (ALJ) shall schedule the time, place and date of the hearing as expeditiously as possible. Hearings shall be conducted by telephone or in person in Des Moines at the Lucas State Office Building or another suitable location. If necessary, parties will be provided at least two opportunities to have the hearing rescheduled.

**87.7(5) Conduct of hearing.** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**87.7(6) Decision.** A written decision of the ALJ shall be issued, when possible, within 60 days from the date of the request for a hearing unless the parties agree to a longer period of time. The decision of the ALJ shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action, without further proceedings, ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is filed as provided in subrule 87.7(7).

**87.7(7) Appeal to director.** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision of the ALJ shall be filed in writing and mailed to the Director, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the ALJ's proposed decision by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the ALJ. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**87.7(8) Record of hearing.** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the ALJ shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director of the department. The record shall include the following:

*a.* All pleadings, motions, and rules.

*b.* All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.

*c.* A statement of all matters officially noticed.

*d.* All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings thereon.

*e.* All proposed findings and exceptions.

*f.* The proposed decision and order of the hearing officer.

**87.7(9) *Decision of director.*** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**87.7(10) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**87.7(11) *Petition for judicial review.*** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

#### **641—87.8(135) Participant right to appeal.**

**87.8(1) *Denial, reduction or termination of services.***

*a.* When a contractor denies, reduces or terminates services funded by the HOPES-HFI grant against the wishes of a participant, the contractor shall notify the participant of the following:

- (1) The action taken;
- (2) The reason for the action; and
- (3) The participant's right to appeal.

*b.* If a participant files an appeal, the contractor shall provide services to the participant throughout the appeals process, unless the contractor receives a waiver from the department pending the outcome of the appeal.

**87.8(2) *Local appeals process.***

*a.* All contractors shall have a written local procedure to hear appeals. The local procedure shall, at a minimum, include:

- (1) The method of notification of the right to appeal;
- (2) The procedure for conducting the appeal;
- (3) Time limits for each step; and
- (4) The method of notification of the outcome of the local appeal and notification of the participant's right to appeal to the state. Notifications of the outcome of the local appeal shall include the facts used to reach the decision and the conclusions drawn from the facts to support the contractor's decision.

*b.* The written appeals procedure and the record of appeals filed (including the record and disposition of each) shall be available for inspection by authorized representatives of the Iowa department of public health.

**87.8(3) *Appeal to department.***

*a. Procedure for appeal.* If a participant is dissatisfied with the decision of the local appeal, the participant may appeal to the state. The appeal shall be made in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, within 15 days of receipt of the local contractor's appeal decision.

*b. Department review.* The department shall evaluate the appeal based upon the merits of the local appeal documentation. A department decision affirming, reserving, or modifying the local appeal decision shall be issued within 30 days of the receipt of all local appeal documentation. The department decision shall be in writing and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the participant and the contractor.

**87.8(4) *Further appeal.*** The participant may appeal the department's decision by submitting an appeal, within 10 days of receipt of the department's decision, to the Division Director, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the department shall forward the appeal within 5 working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by the department of inspections and appeals regarding the



transmission of contested cases. The continued process for appeals shall be governed by 641—Chapter 173, Iowa Administrative Code.

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CHAPTER 88  
VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER PROGRAM

**641—88.1(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Charitable organization”* means a charitable organization within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which has as its primary purpose the sponsorship or support of programs designed to improve the quality, awareness, and availability of chiropractic, dental, medical, pharmaceutical, nursing, optometric, psychological, social work, behavioral science, podiatric, physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, or emergency medical care services to children and to serve as a funding mechanism for provision of chiropractic, dental, medical, pharmaceutical, nursing, optometric, psychological, social work, behavioral science, podiatric, physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, or emergency medical care services, including but not limited to immunizations, to children in this state.

*“Defend”* means that the office of the attorney general shall provide the volunteer health care provider with legal representation at no cost to the volunteer health care provider.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Eligibility agreement”* means a signed contract, providing for defense and indemnification, between a volunteer health care provider or free clinic and the volunteer health care provider program (VHCPP).

*“Free clinic”* means a facility, other than a hospital or health care provider’s office, which is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and which has as its sole purpose the provision of health care services without charge to individuals who are otherwise unable to pay for the services.

*“Health care facility”* means a residential care facility, a nursing facility, an intermediate care facility for persons with mental illness, or an intermediate care facility for persons with mental retardation.

*“Health care services”* means services received from a volunteer health care provider at a qualified program as provided in Iowa Code Supplement section 135.24 and these rules, and approved in a VHCPP eligibility or sponsor agreement.

*“Indemnify”* means that the state of Iowa shall pay all sums that the volunteer health care provider or free clinic holding an eligibility agreement with the VHCPP is legally obligated to pay as damages because of any claim made against the volunteer health care provider or free clinic which arises out of the provision of free health care services rendered or which should have been rendered by the volunteer health care provider or free clinic.

*“Sponsor agreement”* means a signed contract, providing for VHCPP participation by individual health care providers of free health care services, between a hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, or charitable organization and the VHCPP.

*“Volunteer health care provider”* means an emergency medical care provider certified pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A; a physician licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148, 150 or 150A; a physical therapist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148A; an occupational therapist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148B; a physician assistant licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C and practicing under the supervision of a physician; a podiatrist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 149; a chiropractor licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 151; a respiratory therapist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152B; an advanced registered nurse practitioner, a licensed practical nurse or a registered nurse licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152 or 152E; a dentist, dental assistant, or dental hygienist licensed or registered pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 153; an optometrist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 154; a psychologist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 154B; a bachelor social worker, a master social worker, or an independent social worker licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 154C; a marital and family therapist or mental health counselor licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 154D; or a pharmacist licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 155A, who has executed an eligibility agreement with the VHCPP.

*“Volunteer health care provider program”* or *“VHCPP”* means the volunteer health care provider program of the department.

**641—88.2(135) Purpose.** The VHCPP is established to defend and indemnify eligible volunteer health care providers and eligible free clinics providing free health care services through qualified programs as provided in Iowa Code Supplement section 135.24 and these rules.

**641—88.3(135) Eligibility for defense and indemnification coverage.**

**88.3(1) Volunteer health care provider eligibility.** To be eligible for protection as an employee of the state under Iowa Code chapter 669 for a claim arising from covered health care services, a volunteer health care provider shall satisfy each of the following conditions at the time of the act or omission allegedly resulting in injury:

*a.* The applicant shall hold an active unrestricted license, registration, or certification to practice in Iowa under Iowa Code chapter 147A, 148, 148A, 148B, 148C, 149, 150, 150A, 151, 152, 152B, 152E, 153, 154, 154B, 154C, 154D, or 155A. The applicant shall provide a sworn statement attesting that the license, registration, or certification to practice is free of restrictions. The statement shall describe any disciplinary action that has ever been taken against the health care provider by any professional licensing, registering, or certifying authority or health care facility, including any voluntary surrender of license, registration, or certification or other agreement involving the health care provider's license, registration, or certification to practice or any restrictions on practice, suspension of privileges, or other sanctions. The statement shall also describe any malpractice suits that have been filed against the health care provider. The statement provided by a pharmacist volunteer health care provider shall also describe any disciplinary action that has ever been taken against any pharmacy in which the pharmacist has ever been owner, partner, or officer.

(1) Every physician and dentist shall authorize the release of information allowing certified statements to be sent to the board of medical examiners or board of dental examiners from the National Practitioner Data Bank, the Federation of State Medical Boards Disciplinary Data Bank, or State Dental Boards Disciplinary Data Bank, as appropriate, setting forth any malpractice judgment or award or disciplinary action involving the physician or dentist.

(2) Every physical therapist, occupational therapist, physician assistant, podiatrist, chiropractor, respiratory therapist, licensed practical nurse, registered nurse, advanced registered nurse practitioner, optometrist, psychologist, bachelor social worker, master social worker, independent social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor shall request certified statements directly from the National Practitioner Data Bank—Health Care Integrity and Protection Data Bank setting forth any malpractice judgment or award or disciplinary action involving the requester, shall pay the cost for such certified statements and shall submit such certified statements as part of the VHCPP application. Every chiropractor shall also authorize the release of information allowing certified statements to be sent to the board of chiropractic examiners from the Chiropractic Information Network/Board Action Databank (CINBAD) setting forth any malpractice judgment or award or disciplinary action involving the chiropractor.

(3) Every pharmacist shall authorize the release of information allowing certified statements to be sent to the board of pharmacy examiners from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy setting forth any disciplinary action involving the pharmacist or any pharmacy in which the pharmacist has ever been owner, partner, or officer, and the pharmacist shall pay the cost for such certified statements. Every pharmacist shall also authorize the release of information from the pharmacist's malpractice insurance carrier to be sent to the board of pharmacy examiners, and the pharmacist shall pay the cost for such release. Information released from the pharmacist's malpractice insurance carrier shall include either the history and details of all claims that have been filed on behalf of the pharmacist or any pharmacy in which the pharmacist has ever been owner, partner, or officer, or confirmation that there have been no claims.

(4) Every emergency medical care provider shall authorize the release of information allowing information to be sent from the bureau of emergency medical services to the Iowa department of public health volunteer health care provider program setting forth any malpractice judgment or award or disciplinary action involving the requester, and shall authorize the release of information allowing such

information to be shared with the bureau of emergency medical services by licensing entities within and outside Iowa.

*b.* Application. The applicant shall submit the following information on forms provided by the VHCPP:

- (1) The patients to be served;
- (2) The health care services to be provided;
- (3) The site where health care services are to be provided;
- (4) The days and maximum number of hours when the free health care services will be provided each month at each site;
- (5) A public health purpose that shall be served by the provision of free health care services to the patients in question.

*c.* The applicant shall submit a certified statement, which shall be submitted on forms provided by the VHCPP, attesting that the volunteer health care provider agrees to:

(1) Cooperate fully with the state in the defense of any claim or suit relating to participation in the VHCPP, including attending hearings, depositions and trials and assisting in securing and giving evidence, responding to discovery and obtaining the attendance of witnesses.

(2) Accept financial responsibility for personal expenses and costs incurred in the defense of any claim or suit related to participation in the VHCPP, including travel, meals, compensation for time and lost practice, and copying costs, and agree that the state will not compensate the volunteer health care provider for the volunteer health care provider's expenses or time needed for the defense of the claim or suit.

(3) Receive no direct monetary compensation of any kind for services provided in the VHCPP program.

(4) Comply with the eligibility agreement with the VHCPP concerning approved health care services and programs.

*d.* The applicant shall have a signed and current eligibility agreement with the VHCPP which identifies the covered health care services within the respective scope of practice and conditions of defense and indemnification as provided in rules 88.5(135) and 88.6(135). The eligibility agreement shall:

(1) Provide that the volunteer health care provider shall perform only those health care services identified and approved by the VHCPP;

(2) Identify the sponsor program, approved by the VHCPP through an application process, through which the health care services will be provided;

(3) Identify by category the patient groups to be served and the need for provision of free health care services;

(4) Identify the sites at which the free health care services will be provided;

(5) Identify the maximum amount of time the free health care services will be provided at the identified sites by the volunteer health care provider each month;

(6) Provide that the volunteer health care provider shall maintain proper records of the health care services; and

(7) Provide that the volunteer health care provider shall make no representations concerning eligibility for the VHCPP or eligibility of services for indemnification by the state except as authorized by the department.

**88.3(2) *Free clinic eligibility.*** To be eligible for protection as a state agency under Iowa Code chapter 669 for a claim arising from the provision of covered health care services at the free clinic, a free clinic shall satisfy each of the following conditions at the time of the act or omission allegedly resulting in injury:

*a.* The free clinic shall comply with subrules 88.4(1) through 88.4(6).

*b.* The free clinic shall provide a list of all health care providers who provide health care services at the clinic.

*c.* The free clinic shall submit proof that each health care professional providing health care services at the free clinic either:

- (1) Holds a current eligibility agreement with the VHCPP, or
- (2) Holds current professional liability insurance coverage and an active unrestricted license, registration, or certification to practice in Iowa under Iowa Code chapter 147A, 148, 148A, 148B, 148C, 149, 150, 150A, 151, 152, 152B, 152E, 153, 154, 154B, 154C, 154D, or 155A.
  - d. The free clinic shall submit a list of the clinic board of directors and contact information for the board of directors.
  - e. The free clinic shall submit proof of Section 501(c)(3) status.

**641—88.4(135) Sponsor program eligibility.** As a condition of sponsoring health care providers in the VHCPP, a hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, or charitable organization shall satisfy each of the following conditions:

**88.4(1) Licensure.** The applicant program shall be licensed to the extent required by law for the facility in question.

**88.4(2)** If the program is a charitable organization within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, the organization shall provide proof of Section 501(c)(3) status to the VHCPP.

**88.4(3) Application.** The applicant program shall submit the following information on forms provided by the VHCPP:

- a. The patients to be served;
- b. The health care services to be provided;
- c. The site where health care services are to be provided;
- d. The days and times when health care services are to be provided at each site;
- e. A public health purpose that shall be served by the provision of free health care services to the patients in question.

**88.4(4) Certified statement.** The applicant program shall submit a certified statement, which shall be submitted on forms provided by the VHCPP, attesting that the applicant program and its staff, employees and volunteers agree to:

- a. Cooperate fully with the state in the defense of any claim or suit relating to participation in the VHCPP, including attending hearings, depositions and trials and assisting in securing and giving evidence, responding to discovery and obtaining the attendance of witnesses;
- b. Accept financial responsibility for the applicant program's expenses and costs incurred in the defense of any claim or suit related to participation in the VHCPP, including travel, meals, compensation for time and lost practice, and copying costs, and agree that the state will not compensate the applicant program for expenses or time needed for the defense of the claim or suit;
- c. Receive no direct monetary compensation of any kind for health care services provided in the applicant program;
- d. Comply with the agreement with the VHCPP concerning approved health care services and programs.

**88.4(5) General liability insurance.** The applicant program shall submit proof of general liability insurance for the clinic site.

**88.4(6) Agreement.** A signed and current agreement shall exist with the VHCPP which shall:

- a. Provide that the applicant program shall perform only those health care services identified and approved by the VHCPP;
- b. Identify by category the patient groups to be served and the need for provision of free health care services;
- c. Identify the sites at which the free health care services will be provided;
- d. Provide that the applicant shall maintain proper records of health care services for a period of seven years from the date of service or, in the case of a minor, for a period of one year after the minor has reached the age of majority; and
- e. Provide that the applicant agrees that only the volunteer health care provider is afforded protection under Iowa Code section 135.24, and that the state assumes no obligation to the program, its employees, officers, or agents, unless the program is registered as an eligible free clinic in accordance with subrule 88.3(2).

**641—88.5(135) Covered health care services.** A volunteer health care provider holding a current eligibility agreement with the VHCPP shall be afforded the protection of an employee of the state under Iowa Code chapter 669, and a free clinic holding a current eligibility agreement with the VHCPP shall be afforded protection as an agency of the state under Iowa Code chapter 669, only for claims for injury alleged to have been proximately caused by a health care provider's provision of covered health care services or solely on the basis of the health care provider's participation in the free clinic.

**88.5(1)** Covered health care services are only those that are:

- a. Identified in the eligibility agreement with the VHCPP;
- b. In compliance with these rules;
- c. Provided by or under the direct supervision of the volunteer health care provider;
- d. Health care services of:
  - (1) Physicians and physician assistants for: well-child examinations, annual adult examinations, diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions, health education, health maintenance, immunizations, and minor surgical procedures.
  - (2) Chiropractors for: examinations, diagnosis and treatment, health education and health maintenance.
  - (3) Licensed practical nurses and registered nurses for: well-child examinations, annual adult examinations, treatment of acute and chronic conditions, health education, health maintenance, and immunizations.
  - (4) Advanced registered nurse practitioners for: well-child examinations, annual adult examinations, diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions, health education, health maintenance, immunizations and minor surgical procedures.
  - (5) Dentists for: dental examinations, diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic conditions, health education, health maintenance and minor surgical procedures.
  - (6) Dental assistants for: intraoral services, extraoral services, infection control, radiography and removal of plaque or stain by toothbrush, floss, or rubber cup coronal polish.
  - (7) Dental hygienists for: assessments and screenings, health education, health maintenance and preventive services (cleaning, X-rays, sealants, fluoride treatments, fluoride varnish).
  - (8) Psychologists for: counseling and the use of psychological remedial measures with persons with adjustment or emotional problems.
  - (9) Bachelor social workers for: services which are within the scope of practice as defined by Iowa Code chapter 154C and the administrative rules which implement that chapter.
  - (10) Master social workers for: services which are within the scope of practice as defined by Iowa Code chapter 154C and the administrative rules which implement that chapter.
  - (11) Independent social workers for: services which are within the scope of practice as defined by Iowa Code chapter 154C and the administrative rules which implement that chapter.
  - (12) Marital and family therapists for: marital and family therapy.
  - (13) Mental health counselors for: mental health counseling.
  - (14) Pharmacists for: drug dispensing, patient counseling, health screenings and education, and immunizations.
  - (15) Physical therapists for: interpretation of performances, tests, and measurements; evaluation and treatment of human capabilities and impairments; use of physical agents, therapeutic exercises, and rehabilitative procedures to prevent, correct, minimize, or alleviate a physical impairment; establishment and modification of physical therapy program, treatment planning, and patient instruction/education.
  - (16) Occupational therapists for: evaluation and treatment of problems interfering with functional performance in persons impaired by physical illness or injury, emotional disorder, congenital or developmental disability, or the aging process.
  - (17) Optometrists for: examinations, diagnosis and treatment of the human eye and adnexa, health education, and health maintenance.
  - (18) Podiatrists for: examinations, diagnosis and treatment, health education, health maintenance, minor surgical procedures.

(19) Respiratory therapists for: diagnostic and therapeutic use of administration of medical gases, aerosols, and humidification, not including general anesthesia; pharmacologic agents relating to respiratory care procedures; bronchopulmonary hygiene; specific diagnostic and testing techniques employed in the medical management of patients to assist in diagnosis, monitoring, treatment, and research of cardiopulmonary abnormalities; and pulmonary function testing.

(20) Emergency medical care providers for: provision of emergency medical care as authorized in 641 IAC 131.3(147A).

**88.5(2)** Experimental procedures or procedures and treatments which lack sufficient evidence of clinical effectiveness are excluded from the program.

**641—88.6(135) Defense and indemnification.** The state shall defend and indemnify a volunteer health care provider or a free clinic for a claim arising from the VHCPP only to the extent provided by Iowa Code chapter 669 and Iowa Code section 135.24. Persons or entities other than the participating volunteer health care provider or free clinic are not considered state employees or state agencies under Iowa Code chapter 669. Defense and indemnification of the volunteer health care provider or a free clinic under Iowa Code chapter 669 and Iowa Code section 135.24 shall occur only if all of the following requirements are met:

**88.6(1)** The claim involves injury alleged to have been proximately caused by covered health care services which were identified and approved in the eligibility agreement with the VHCPP and then only to the extent the health care services were provided by or under the direct supervision of the volunteer health care provider, including claims based on negligent delegation of health care or the volunteer health care provider is named as a defendant solely because of the volunteer health care provider's participation in the free clinic.

**88.6(2)** The claim arises from covered health care services that were performed at a site identified and approved in the eligibility agreement with the VHCPP.

**88.6(3)** The claim arises from covered health care services provided through a qualified program identified and approved in the volunteer health care provider's eligibility agreement with the VHCPP and which meets the requirements of rule 88.3(135).

**88.6(4)** The volunteer health care provider, free clinic, or sponsor program that provided the health care services receives no direct monetary compensation of any kind or promise to pay compensation for the health care services which resulted in injury.

**88.6(5)** The health care services are provided to a patient who is a member of a patient group identified in the eligibility agreement with the VHCPP.

**88.6(6)** The volunteer health care provider, free clinic, or sponsor program is eligible and registered as provided in rule 88.3(135) or the care is provided by a health care provider who holds current professional liability insurance coverage and an active unrestricted license to practice in Iowa under Iowa Code chapter 147A, 148, 148A, 148B, 148C, 149, 150, 150A, 151, 152, 152B, 152E, 153, 154, 154B, 154C, 154D, or 155A and has been approved by the VHCPP.

**641—88.7(135) Term of agreement.**

**88.7(1)** *Volunteer health care provider.* The eligibility agreement with the VHCPP shall expire two years from the date of execution. Volunteer health care providers may apply for renewal by filing an application at least 30 days prior to expiration of the eligibility agreement.

**88.7(2)** *Free clinic liability.* The eligibility agreement with the VHCPP shall expire two years from the date of execution. The free clinic may apply for renewal by filing an application at least 30 days prior to expiration of the eligibility agreement.

**88.7(3)** *Sponsor program.* The sponsor agreement with the VHCPP shall expire two years from the date of execution. Sponsor programs may apply for renewal by filing an application at least 30 days prior to expiration of the sponsor agreement.



**641—88.8(135) Reporting requirements and duties.**

**88.8(1)** Upon obtaining knowledge or becoming aware of any injury allegedly arising out of the negligent rendering of, or the negligent failure to render, covered health care services under this program, a participating volunteer health care provider, free clinic, or sponsor program shall provide written notice to the VHCPP, as soon as practicable, containing, to the extent obtainable, the circumstance of the alleged injury, the names and addresses of the injured, and any other relevant information.

**88.8(2)** Upon obtaining knowledge or becoming aware of an injury as defined in subrule 88.8(1), the participating free clinic or sponsor program shall promptly take all reasonable steps to prevent further or other injury from arising out of the same or similar incidents, situations or conditions.

**88.8(3)** A participating volunteer health care provider, free clinic, or sponsor program shall immediately notify the Iowa Department of Justice, Special Litigation Division, Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, of service or receipt of an original notice, petition, suit or claim seeking damages from the volunteer health care provider, free clinic or sponsor program related to participation in the VHCPP.

**641—88.9(135) Revocation of eligibility and registration.** The VHCPP may suspend, revoke, or condition the eligibility and registration of a volunteer health care provider, free clinic or sponsor program for cause, including but not limited to:

1. Failure to comply with the eligibility or sponsor agreement with the VHCPP.
2. Violation of state law governing the respective scope of practice or other law governing the health care services provided under the VHCPP.
3. Making false, misleading, or fraudulent statements in connection with the VHCPP, including determination of eligibility of the health care provider, free clinic or sponsor program or handling of a claim against the health care provider, free clinic, sponsor program or the state.
4. Evidence of substance abuse or intoxication affecting the provision of health care services under the VHCPP.
5. Reasonable grounds to believe that the volunteer health care provider may have provided incompetent or inadequate care to a patient under the VHCPP or is likely to do so.
6. Reasonable grounds to believe that the volunteer health care provider's, free clinic's, or sponsor program's participation in the VHCPP may expose the state to undue risk.
7. Failure to immediately notify the VHCPP of any disciplinary action brought against the volunteer health care provider by the licensing board.

**641—88.10(135) Procedure for revocation of eligibility and registration.** A proceeding for revocation of a volunteer health care provider's eligibility and registration or a free clinic's or sponsor program's eligibility and registration for participation shall be conducted as a contested case proceeding pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A and 641 IAC 173. This does not preclude emergency summary suspension of eligibility or registration where appropriate under Iowa Code section 17A.18. The VHCPP shall immediately notify the appropriate licensing board and the appropriate approved free clinic or sponsor program of revocation of a volunteer health care provider's registration.

**641—88.11(135) Effect of suspension or revocation.** If the VHCPP suspends or revokes a volunteer health care provider's or free clinic's eligibility, the action shall suspend or revoke future eligibility, but shall not negate defense and indemnification coverage for covered acts or omissions which occurred during the effective dates of the eligibility agreement.

**641—88.12(135) Registration denied.**

**88.12(1)** *Registration denied—appeal procedure.* An applicant who has been denied registration by the VHCPP may appeal the denial and request a hearing on the issues related to the denial by serving a notice of the appeal and request for hearing to the Director, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, in writing, not more than 30 days following the date of the mailing of the notification of registration denial to the applicant or not

more than 30 days following the date upon which the applicant was served notice if notification was made in the manner of service of an original notice. The request for hearing shall specifically delineate the facts to be contested and determined at the hearing.

**88.12(2) *Registration denied—hearing.*** If an applicant who has been denied registration by the VHCPP appeals the registration denial and requests a hearing pursuant to subrule 88.12(1), the hearing and subsequent procedures shall be pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A and 641 IAC 173.

**641—88.13(135) Board notice of disciplinary action.** The applicable state licensing board shall notify the VHCPP of the initiation of a contested case against a registered volunteer health care provider or the imposition of disciplinary action, including providing copies of any contested case decision or settlement agreement with the volunteer health care provider upon request of the VHCPP.

**641—88.14(135) Effect of eligibility certification.** The certification of a volunteer health care provider or free clinic as eligible for participation in the VHCPP by the applicable state licensing board and the department is solely a determination that the state will defend and indemnify the volunteer health care provider or the eligible free clinic to the extent provided by Iowa Code Supplement section 135.24 and these rules. The certification is not an approval or indication of ability or competence and may not be represented as such. The hospital, clinic, free clinic, health care facility, health care referral program, or charitable organization through which the volunteer health care provider provides free health care services shall retain responsibility for determining that health care personnel are competent and capable of adequately performing the health care services to be provided.

**641—88.15(135) Reporting by volunteer health care provider and program.** Within 60 days following each calendar quarter, the free clinic or program shall provide a report to the VHCPP. A reporting form will be provided by the VHCPP to the participating free clinic or sponsor program at the time the eligibility or sponsor agreement is approved by the VHCPP. At a minimum, the report shall include the number of free clinic patients receiving free health care services and patient demographics by age, ethnicity, and insurance status.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement section 135.24.

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CHAPTER 89  
DECISION-MAKING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
AND PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF INTENT  
TO TERMINATE A PREGNANCY THROUGH ABORTION

**641—89.1(135L) Title.** This chapter may be cited as “Decision-Making Assistance Program and Parental Notification of Intent to Terminate a Pregnancy Through Abortion.”

**641—89.2(135L) Purpose and scope.** The rules contained in this chapter govern the procedures and documentation necessary for notification of a parent or grandparent of a pregnant minor prior to the termination of the pregnancy through abortion. These rules also describe the certification procedure for the decision-making assistance program.

**641—89.3(135L) Definitions.** The following definitions shall apply throughout the chapter.

“*Abortion*” means an abortion as defined in Iowa Code chapter 146.

“*Adult*” means a person 18 years of age or older.

“*Certification form*” means the form included in the written decision-making materials developed by the department.

“*Court*” means juvenile court.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Grandparent*” means the parent of an individual who is the parent of the pregnant minor.

“*Licensed physician*” means a physician as licensed by the Iowa board of medical examiners, Iowa Code chapters 148, 150, and 150A.

“*Medical emergency*” means a condition which, based upon a physician’s judgment, necessitates an abortion to avert the pregnant minor’s death, or for which a delay will create a risk of serious impairment of a major bodily function.

“*Minor*” means a person under 18 years of age who has not been and is not married.

“*Parent*” means a parent or a legal guardian or custodian of a pregnant minor.

“*Video*” means the video developed by the Iowa department of public health which provides information regarding the various options available to a pregnant minor with regard to the pregnancy, including a decision to continue the pregnancy to term and retain parental rights following the child’s birth, a decision to continue the pregnancy to term and place the child for adoption following the child’s birth, and a decision to terminate the pregnancy through abortion.

“*Written decision-making materials*” means the materials developed by the Iowa department of public health which provide information regarding the various options available to a pregnant minor with regard to the pregnancy as outlined in the definition of video.

**641—89.4 to 89.10** Reserved.

DECISION-MAKING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**641—89.11(135L) Purpose.** The program is intended to provide assistance to minors in making informed decisions relating to pregnancy through the use of the video and written decision-making materials developed by the department.

**89.11(1)** The video and written decision-making materials contain information regarding the following options available to a pregnant minor with regard to the pregnancy:

- a. Continue the pregnancy to term and retain parental rights following the child’s birth;
- b. Continue the pregnancy to term and place the child for adoption following the child’s birth; and
- c. Terminate the pregnancy through abortion.

**89.11(2)** Reserved.

**641—89.12(135L) Initial appointment of a pregnant minor with a licensed physician from whom an abortion is sought and certification procedure for the decision-making assistance program.**

**89.12(1)** A licensed physician from whom a pregnant minor is seeking the performance of an abortion shall offer the viewing of the video and the written decision-making materials to the pregnant minor during the initial appointment relating to those services.

**89.12(2)** The pregnant minor shall sign and date the certification form provided in the written decision-making materials or an exact replica certifying that she has been offered a viewing of the video and the written decision-making materials.

*a.* The minor shall complete a certification form for the licensed physician providing medical services relating to the termination of the minor's pregnancy.

*b.* The licensed physician from whom an abortion is sought shall keep the original certification form as a part of the minor's medical record relating to the termination of the pregnancy.

*c.* A copy of the completed certification form shall be provided to the pregnant minor.

**89.12(3)** A licensed physician shall not knowingly perform an abortion on a pregnant minor prior to obtaining the completed certification form and completing the notification process.

**641—89.13 to 89.20** Reserved.

## NOTIFICATION PROCESS

**641—89.21(135L) Notification of parent prior to the performance of abortion on a pregnant minor.**

**89.21(1)** Notification shall be made to the parent of the pregnant minor at least 48 hours prior to the termination of a pregnancy through abortion unless a judicial waiver is granted as provided in Iowa Code section 135L.3, or unless any of the conditions of rule 89.22(135L) have been met.

*a.* The licensed physician who will perform the abortion shall provide notification in person or by mailing the notification by restricted certified mail to a parent of the pregnant minor at the usual place of abode of the parent.

*b.* For the purpose of delivery by restricted certified mail, the time of delivery is deemed to occur at 12 noon on the next day on which regular mail delivery takes place, subsequent to the mailing.

*c.* The notification form shall be in duplicate in the form that may be provided by the department or shall be in duplicate and include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) The name of the minor.

(2) Notification of the intent to terminate the pregnancy.

(3) The name, address, and relationship of the person to be notified.

*d.* The licensed physician who will perform the abortion shall keep the original notification form as a part of the minor's medical record relating to the termination of the pregnancy.

*e.* A copy of the completed notification form shall be provided to the pregnant minor.

**89.21(2)** If the pregnant minor objects to the notification of a parent prior to the performance of an abortion on the pregnant minor, the pregnant minor may petition the court to authorize waiver of the notification requirement pursuant to Iowa Code section 135L.3.

**641—89.22(135L) Exceptions to notification of parent.** The requirements of rule 89.21(135L) do not apply if any of the following conditions exist:

**89.22(1)** The abortion is authorized in writing by a parent entitled to notification.

**89.22(2)** The pregnant minor declares, in a written statement submitted to the licensed physician who will perform the abortion, a reason for not notifying a parent and a reason for notifying a grandparent of the pregnant minor in lieu of the notification of a parent.

*a.* The licensed physician who will perform the abortion shall keep all written documentation as a part of the minor's medical record relating to the termination of the pregnancy.

*b.* Upon receipt of the written statement from the pregnant minor, the licensed physician who will perform the abortion shall provide notification to a grandparent of the pregnant minor, specified by the pregnant minor, in the manner in which the notification of a parent was prescribed in rule 89.21(135L).

c. The notification form shall be in duplicate in the form that may be provided by the department or shall be in duplicate and include, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) The name of the minor.
- (2) Notification of the intent to terminate the pregnancy.
- (3) The name, address, and relationship of the person to be notified.
- (4) A declaration which informs the grandparent of the pregnant minor that the grandparent of the pregnant minor may be subject to civil action if the grandparent accepts notification.
- (5) A provision that the grandparent of the pregnant minor may refuse acceptance of notification and a provision that the grandparent immediately contact the licensed physician if refusing acceptance of the notification.

d. The licensed physician who will perform the abortion shall keep the original notification form as a part of the minor's medical record relating to the termination of the pregnancy.

e. A copy of the completed notification form shall be provided to the pregnant minor.

**89.22(3)** The licensed physician who will perform the abortion certifies in writing that a medical emergency exists which necessitates the immediate performance of an abortion in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 135L. The physician shall certify in writing the basis for the medical judgment that a medical emergency exists and place this written certification in the medical file of the pregnant minor.

**89.22(4)** The pregnant minor declares that the pregnant minor is a victim of child abuse pursuant to Iowa Code section 232.68, the person responsible for the care of the child is a parent of the child, and either the abuse has been reported pursuant to the procedures prescribed in Iowa Code chapter 232, division III, part 2, or a parent of the child is named in a report of founded child abuse.

**89.22(5)** The pregnant minor declares that the pregnant minor is a victim of sexual abuse as defined in Iowa Code chapter 709 and has reported the sexual abuse to law enforcement.

**89.22(6)** The pregnant minor elects not to allow notification of the pregnant minor's parent and a court authorizes waiver of the notification requirement following completion of the proceedings prescribed under Iowa Code chapter 135L.

**641—89.23(135L) Physician compliance.** A licensed physician shall not perform an abortion on a pregnant minor prior to compliance with the requirements outlined in rule 89.21(135L) or 89.22(135L).

**641—89.24 and 89.25** Reserved.

**641—89.26(135L) Fraudulent practice.** A person who does any of the following is guilty of a fraudulent practice in the fourth degree pursuant to Iowa Code section 714.12:

**89.26(1)** Knowingly tenders a false original or copy of the signed and dated certification form described in rule 89.12(135L) or Iowa Code section 135L.2, to be retained by the licensed physician.

**89.26(2)** Knowingly tenders a false original or copy of the notification document mailed to a parent or grandparent of the pregnant minor under this chapter, a false original or copy of the written certification to be provided to a parent of a pregnant minor pursuant to rule 89.22(135L) or Iowa Code section 135L.6, or a false original or copy of the order waiving notification relative to the performance of an abortion on a pregnant minor.

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CHAPTER 90  
IOWA CHILD DEATH REVIEW TEAM

**641—90.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the child death review team is to aid in the reduction of the incidence of serious injury and death to children by accurately identifying the cause and manner of child death for children under age 18.

**641—90.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Team”* means the Iowa child death review team.

*“Unexcused absence”* means failure by a team member to notify the chairperson of an anticipated absence from a team meeting.

**641—90.3(135) Agency.** The Iowa child death review team is established as an independent agency of state government. The Iowa department of public health shall provide staffing and administrative support to the team.

**641—90.4(135) Membership.** The membership of the review team is subject to the provisions of Iowa Code sections 69.16 and 69.16A, relating to political affiliation and gender balance. Review team members who are not designated by another appointing authority shall be appointed by the director of public health in consultation with the director of human services. Membership terms shall be for three years.

**90.4(1)** The review team shall include the following:

- a. The state medical examiner or the state medical examiner’s designee.
- b. A certified or licensed professional who is knowledgeable concerning sudden infant death syndrome.
- c. A pediatrician who is knowledgeable concerning deaths of children.
- d. A family practice physician who is knowledgeable concerning deaths of children.
- e. One mental health professional who is knowledgeable concerning deaths of children.
- f. One social worker who is knowledgeable concerning deaths of children.
- g. A certified or licensed professional who is knowledgeable concerning domestic violence.
- h. A professional who is knowledgeable concerning substance abuse.
- i. A local law enforcement official.
- j. A county attorney.
- k. An emergency room nurse who is knowledgeable concerning the deaths of children.
- l. A perinatal expert.
- m. A representative of the health insurance industry.
- n. One other appointed at large.

**90.4(2)** Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made. An appointment shall complete the original member’s term.

**90.4(3)** Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the team member and to appoint another. The chairperson of the team is charged with providing notification of absences.

**641—90.5(135) Officers.** Officers of the team shall be a chairperson and a vice chairperson and shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year unless designated at the time of appointment. Vacancy in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice chairperson. Vacancy in the office of vice chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the team, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting, the vice chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**641—90.6(135) Meetings.** The team shall meet upon the call of the chairperson, upon the request of a state agency, or as determined by the team. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

**641—90.7(135) Expenses of team members.** The members of the team are eligible for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

**641—90.8(135) Team responsibilities.** The team shall perform the following responsibilities.

1. Collect, review, and analyze child death certificates and child death data, including patient records or other pertinent confidential information concerning deaths of children aged six or younger, and other information as the review team deems appropriate for use in preparing an annual report to the governor and the general assembly concerning the causes and manner of child deaths. The report shall include analysis of factual information obtained through review and recommendations regarding prevention of child deaths.

2. Recommend to the governor and the general assembly interventions to prevent deaths of children based on an analysis of the cause and manner of such deaths.

3. Recommend to the agencies represented on the review team and to other agencies changes which may prevent child deaths.

4. Maintain the confidentiality of any patient records or other confidential information reviewed.

5. Develop protocols for and establish a committee to review child abuse investigations which involve the death of a child.

6. The team may establish subcommittees to which the team may delegate some or all of the team's responsibilities set out in this rule.

**641—90.9(135) Liaisons.** The following individuals shall each designate a liaison to assist the team in fulfilling its responsibilities.

1. Director of public health.

2. Director of human services.

3. Commissioner of public safety.

4. Administrator of the bureau of vital records of the Iowa department of public health.

5. Attorney general.

6. Director of transportation.

7. Director of the department of education.

**641—90.10(135) Confidentiality and disclosure of information.** The team and liaisons shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of child deaths, including disclosure of information which is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law. No information on individual deaths contained in the records described in this rule shall be disclosed except for the purposes of the team, committee or subcommittee meeting, and no confidential information received in preparation for or during the course of such meeting shall be removed from the meeting room except for further review as authorized by the team chairperson.

In preparation for review of an individual death by the team or its authorized committee or subcommittee, the chairperson of the team or the chairperson's designee is authorized to gather all information pertinent to the review. This information may include, but is not limited to, hospital records, physician's records, school records, day-care records, autopsy records, child abuse registry, investigation or assessment records, state public assistance records, traffic records, public safety records, law enforcement records, fire marshal's records, birth records, death records, and other relevant records necessary to conduct a complete review.

A person in possession or control of medical, investigative or other information pertaining to a child death and child abuse review shall allow the inspection and reproduction of the information by the department upon the request of the department, to be used only in the administration and for the duties of the Iowa child death review team. Information and records which are confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7 and chapter 235A, and information or records received from the confidential records, remain



confidential under this rule. A person does not incur legal liability by reason of releasing information to the department as required under and in compliance with this rule.

**641—90.11(135) Immunity and liability.** Review team members and their agents are immune from any liability, civil or criminal, which might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of any act, omission, proceeding, decision, or determination undertaken or performed, or recommendation made as a review team member or agent provided that the review team members or agents acted in good faith and without malice in carrying out their official duties in their official capacity. A complainant bears the burden of proof in establishing malice or lack of good faith in an action brought against review team members involving the performance of their duties and powers.

A person who releases or discloses confidential data, records, or any other type of information in violation of this chapter is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement section 135.43.

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CHAPTER 91  
IOWA DOMESTIC ABUSE DEATH REVIEW TEAM

**641—91.1(77GA,ch1221) Purpose.** The purpose of the domestic abuse death review team is to aid in the reduction of the incidence of domestic abuse deaths by accurately identifying the cause and manner of deaths occurring from domestic violence and by making recommendations for changes in policy and practice to improve community interventions for preventing domestic abuse deaths.

**641—91.2(77GA,ch1221) Definitions.**

“*Team*” means the Iowa domestic abuse death review team.

“*Unexcused absence*” means failure by a team member to notify the chairperson of an anticipated absence from a team meeting.

**641—91.3(77GA,ch1221) Agency.** The Iowa domestic abuse death review team is established as an independent agency of state government. The Iowa department of public health shall provide staffing and administrative support to the team.

**641—91.4(77GA,ch1221) Membership.** The membership of the team is subject to the provisions of Iowa Code sections 69.16 and 69.16A, relating to political affiliation and gender balance. Team members who are not designated by another appointing authority shall be appointed by the director of public health. At least one member shall also be a member of the Iowa child death review team. Membership terms shall be for three years. One-third of the initial members shall serve for three years, one-third of the initial members shall serve for two years, and one-third of the initial members shall serve for one year, as designated by the appointing authority.

**91.4(1)** The team shall include the following:

- a. The state medical examiner or the state medical examiner’s designee.
- b. A licensed physician who is knowledgeable concerning domestic abuse deaths, suicide, and child deaths by homicide.
- c. A licensed mental health professional who is knowledgeable concerning domestic abuse.
- d. A representative or designee of the Iowa coalition against domestic violence.
- e. A certified or licensed professional who is knowledgeable concerning substance abuse.
- f. A law enforcement official who is knowledgeable about domestic abuse and is a member of a state law enforcement association.
- g. A law enforcement investigator experienced in domestic abuse investigation.
- h. A prosecuting attorney experienced in prosecuting domestic abuse cases.
- i. A member of the judiciary appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court.
- j. A clerk of the district court appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court.
- k. A department of correctional services’ employee or subcontractor who is assigned batterers’ treatment program responsibilities and is knowledgeable about risk level assessment.
- l. An attorney licensed in this state who provides criminal defense assistance or child custody representation and who is experienced in dissolution of marriage proceedings.
- m. A former victim of domestic abuse.
- n. A family member of a decedent whose death resulted from domestic abuse.

**91.4(2)** Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made. An appointee shall complete the original member’s term.

**91.4(3)** Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the team member and the appointment of another. The chairperson of the team is charged with providing notification of absences.

**91.4(4)** The department may temporarily appoint other members to serve as experts, as needed, on a case-by-case basis.

**641—91.5(77GA,ch1221) Officers.** Officers of the team shall be a chairperson and a vice chairperson and shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year unless designated at the time of appointment.

Vacancy in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice chairperson. Vacancy in the office of vice chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the team, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting, the vice chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**641—91.6(77GA,ch1221) Meetings.** The team shall meet upon the call of the chairperson, upon the request of a state agency, or as determined by the team. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

**641—91.7(77GA,ch1221) Expenses of team members.** The members of the team are eligible for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

**641—91.8(77GA,ch1221) Team responsibilities.** The team shall perform the following responsibilities.

1. Collect, review, and analyze death certificates and death data, including investigative reports, medical and counseling records, victim service records, child abuse reports, or other confidential information concerning domestic abuse deaths, survivor interviews and surveys, and other information deemed by the team as necessary and appropriate concerning the causes and manner of domestic abuse deaths.

2. Prepare an annual report to the governor, supreme court, attorney general, and the general assembly concerning the contributing factors of domestic abuse deaths.

3. Recommend community interventions to prevent domestic abuse deaths based on an analysis of the contributing factors to such deaths.

4. Recommend to the agencies represented on the review team and to other agencies changes which may prevent domestic abuse deaths.

5. Maintain the confidentiality of any patient records or other confidential information reviewed.

6. The team may establish subcommittees to which the team may delegate some or all of the team's responsibilities set out in this rule.

**641—91.9(77GA,ch1221) Liaisons.** The following individuals shall each designate a liaison to assist the team in fulfilling its responsibilities.

1. Director of public health.

2. Director of human services.

3. Commissioner of public safety.

4. Director of corrections.

5. Attorney general.

6. Director of education.

7. State court administrator.

8. Director of the law enforcement academy.

**641—91.10(77GA,ch1221) Confidentiality and disclosure of information.** The team and liaisons shall maintain the confidentiality of all information and records used in the review and analysis of domestic abuse deaths, including disclosure of information which is confidential under Iowa Code chapter 22 or any other provisions of state law. No information on individual deaths contained in the records described in this rule shall be disclosed except for the purposes of the team, committee or subcommittee meeting, and no confidential information received in preparation for or during the course of such meeting shall be removed from the meeting room except for further review as authorized by the team chairperson.

In preparation for review of an individual death by the team or its authorized committee or subcommittee, the chairperson of the team or the chairperson's designee is authorized to gather all information pertinent to the review. This information may include, but is not limited to, hospital

records, physician's records, school records, day-care records, autopsy records, child abuse registry, investigation or assessment records, state public assistance records, traffic records, public safety records, law enforcement records, fire marshal's records, birth records, death records, and other relevant records necessary to conduct a complete review.

A person in possession or control of medical, investigative or other information pertaining to a domestic abuse death and domestic abuse death review shall allow the inspection and reproduction of the information by the department upon the request of the department to be used only in the administration and for the duties of the Iowa domestic abuse death review team. Information and records which are confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7 and chapter 235A, and information or records received from the confidential records, remain confidential under this rule. A person does not incur legal liability by reason of releasing information to the department as required under and in compliance with this rule.

**641—91.11(77GA,ch1221) Immunity and liability.** Review team members and their agents are immune from any liability, civil or criminal, which might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of any act, omission, proceeding, decision, or determination undertaken or performed, or recommendation made as a review team member or agent provided that the review team members or agents acted in good faith and without malice in carrying out their official duties in their official capacity. A complainant bears the burden of proof in establishing malice or lack of good faith in an action brought against review team members involving the performance of their duties and powers.

These rules are intended to implement 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1221, section 5, subsection 4(10).

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CHAPTER 92  
IOWA FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE

**641—92.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the child fatality review committee is to determine whether the department of human services and others involved with the case of child abuse responded appropriately.

**641—92.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Child abuse assessment”* means an assessment performed in accordance with Iowa Code section 232.71B.

*“Child fatality”* means the death of a child under the age of 18.

*“Committee”* means the Iowa child fatality review committee.

*“Department”* means the department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the department of public health.

*“Multidisciplinary team”* means the group of individuals as defined in Iowa Code section 235A.13.

**641—92.3(135) Committee.** The committee is an ad hoc committee appointed by the director on a case-by-case basis. The committee shall include a medical examiner, a pediatrician who is knowledgeable concerning deaths of children, and a person involved in law enforcement. The committee may also consult with individuals with specific child death expertise as necessary to perform the duties and responsibilities of the committee. The department shall provide staffing and administrative support to the committee.

**641—92.4(135) Formation of the committee.** The director may appoint a committee to review the death of a child under the age of 18 upon the request from a member of the legislature or the governor in cases in which a report of suspected child abuse had been filed with the department of human services pursuant to Iowa Code section 232.70 within two years preceding the child’s death.

**641—92.5(135) Committee protocol for review.** In determining whether the department of human services and others involved with the case of child abuse responded appropriately, the committee shall review records relevant to the child’s death, which may include but are not limited to the following:

1. All reports of suspected child abuse on the identified child made to the department of human services pursuant to Iowa Code section 232.70;
2. All child abuse assessments performed on the identified child in accordance with Iowa Code section 232.71B;
3. All other department of human services records maintained on the identified child;
4. All relevant law enforcement records which refer to the identified child;
5. All relevant medical and hospital records of the identified child;
6. All relevant court records which refer to the identified child;
7. Records of any multidisciplinary team which reviewed the case of the identified child;
8. Records of any public entity which reviewed the case of the identified child; and
9. All relevant records maintained by a day care provider, other child care provider, preschool, elementary school, middle school, or high school which refer to the identified child.

The committee shall also consult with any multidisciplinary team that is operating in the area where the fatality occurred.

**641—92.6(135) Content of report.**

**92.6(1)** Upon completion of the review, the director shall submit the committee’s report to:

- a. The governor or the governor’s designee;
- b. The member of the senate or employee of the general assembly designated by the majority leader or minority leader of the senate;
- c. The member of the house of representatives or employee of the general assembly designated by the speaker or minority leader of the house of representatives.

**92.6(2)** The committee report shall include findings concerning the case and recommendations for changes to prevent child fatalities when similar circumstances exist. The report shall include but is not limited to the following information:

*a.* The dates, outcomes, and results of any actions taken by the department of human services and others in regard to each report and allegation of child abuse involving the child who died.

*b.* The results of any review of the case performed by a multidisciplinary team, or by any other public entity that reviewed the case.

*c.* Confirmation of the department of human services' receipt of any report of child abuse involving the child, including confirmation as to whether or not any assessment involving the child was performed in accordance with Iowa Code section 232.71B, the results of any assessment, a description of the most recent assessment and the services offered to the family, the services rendered to the family, and the basis for the department's decisions concerning the case.

**641—92.7(135) Consultation with county attorney.** Prior to issuing the report, the committee shall consult with the county attorney responsible for prosecution of the alleged perpetrator of the child fatality. The committee's report shall include child abuse information associated with the case and the child but is subject to the restrictions applicable to the department of human services for release of information concerning a child fatality or near fatality in accordance with Iowa Code section 235A.15(9).

**641—92.8(135) Supplemental report.** Following the completion of the trial of any alleged perpetrator of the child fatality and the appeal period for the granting of a new trial, the committee shall issue a supplemental report containing the information that was withheld, in accordance with rule 92.7(135), so as not to jeopardize the prosecution or the rights of the alleged perpetrator to a fair trial as described in Iowa Code section 235A.15(9) "f" and "g."

**641—92.9(135) Confidentiality and disclosure of information.** The committee shall have access to patient records and other confidential information. The committee may disseminate confidential information in the committee's report which shall be submitted to the governor and the general assembly. For all other purposes, the committee shall maintain the confidentiality of all records which are confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7, Iowa Code chapter 235, or other provision of law. A person in possession or control of medical, investigative, or assessment information or other information pertaining to a child death and child abuse review shall allow the inspection and reproduction of the information by the department, upon the request of the department, to be used only in the administration and for the duties of the Iowa child fatality review committee. A person does not incur legal liability by reason of releasing information to the department as required under and in compliance with this rule.

**641—92.10(135) Immunity and liability.** Review committee members are immune from any liability, civil or criminal, which might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of any act, omission, proceeding, decision, or determination undertaken or performed, or recommendation made as a review committee member provided that the review committee members acted in good faith and without malice in carrying out their official duties in their official capacity. A complainant bears the burden of proof in establishing malice or lack of good faith in an action brought against review committee members involving the performance of their duties and powers.

A person who releases or discloses confidential data, records, or any other type of information in violation of this chapter is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.43(4).

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CHAPTER 93  
ABUSE EDUCATION REVIEW PANEL

**641—93.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the abuse education review panel process is to provide an objective method by which curricula for child and dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training are reviewed and approved. Approved curricula are to be taught to persons who work in a position classification that under law makes the persons mandatory reporters of child or dependent adult abuse and the position classification does not have a mandatory reporter training curriculum approved by a licensing or examining board.

**641—93.2(135) Panel.**

**93.2(1) Panel composition.** The director shall appoint the members of the panel. The panel shall be comprised of seven members, with one member having expertise in issues related to child abuse, one member having expertise in issues related to dependent adult abuse, one member having expertise in curriculum development, and four members representing mandatory reporters or employers of mandatory reporters. Appointments shall be for three-year staggered terms that shall expire on June 30. A member shall serve no more than three terms or nine years. The director shall fill any vacancy for the unexpired term of the vacancy. The director shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the total composition of the panel is fair, impartial, and equitable.

**93.2(2) Designation of officers.** The panel shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson at the first meeting of each fiscal year. A vacancy in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice-chairperson. A vacancy in the office of vice-chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the panel, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee.

**93.2(3) Vacancies.** In the event a vacancy occurs prior to the completion of the panel member's term, the director shall fill the vacancy using the same criteria required in the selection of the original member. The director shall declare a vacancy upon the death, resignation, or failure to serve of any panel member.

**641—93.3(135) Meetings.** The panel shall meet as necessary and appropriate. Four members shall constitute a quorum, and no recommendations may be adopted without the affirmative vote of at least four members of the panel. The members of the panel shall be eligible for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses for the performance of their official duties.

**641—93.4(135) Duties.** The panel shall perform the following duties:

1. Review and approve criteria for child and dependent adult abuse curricula for persons who work in a position classification that under law makes the persons mandatory reporters of child or dependent adult abuse and the position classification does not have a mandatory reporter training curriculum approved by a licensing or examining board.
2. Conduct literature reviews and scrutinize existing research pertinent to its purpose.
3. Review curricula based on the criteria established in rule 93.5(135).
4. Report decisions regarding approvals or denials to applicants.
5. Review appeals as provided in rule 93.7(135).
6. Maintain a list of all approved curricula and distribute the list upon request.

**641—93.5(135) Standards for approval of curricula.** The following criteria are established to assist in evaluation of curricula. Nothing in this rule shall preclude providers from offering additional coursework, training, or information that exceeds or expands upon the curriculum prescribed by the panel. At a minimum, approved curricula shall contain each of the following:

**93.5(1)** Content that necessitates at least two hours of training.

**93.5(2)** The definition of child abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 232.68(2) or the definition of dependent adult abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 235B.2(5) or both.

**93.5(3)** Training in the physical, psychological, behavioral, environmental, and other relevant indicators of child abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 232.68(2) or dependent adult abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 235B.2(5) or both.

**93.5(4)** Requirements and procedures for reporting suspected cases of abuse, including when to report, how to report, and to whom to report.

**93.5(5)** Review of the Code of Iowa and the Iowa Administrative Code pertaining to child or dependent adult abuse, including review of the classifications of mandatory reporters, confidentiality provisions, immunity provisions, and penalties for failure to report.

**93.5(6)** A description of the assessment protocol utilized by the department of human services and other investigating agencies following receipt of a report and the manner in which information is shared between the department of human services and the reporter, other relevant individuals, agencies, and entities.

**93.5(7)** An evaluation component to assess the understanding, knowledge, and skills acquired.

**93.5(8)** Resource materials or information in the following areas:

- a. The causes and risk factors of child or dependent adult abuse;
- b. Assisting individuals and families who have experienced child or dependent adult abuse, including information on local resources and available referral services;
- c. Prevention of child or dependent adult abuse.

#### **641—93.6(135) Process for application review and approval.**

**93.6(1)** *Submission and decision.* An organization, institution, agency, or individual may submit an application for approval of curriculum on a form prescribed by the panel. The application shall at a minimum demonstrate the manner in which the proposed curriculum meets the criteria in rule 93.5(135). Within three months of submission of an application, the panel shall review the application and issue a written decision regarding the application. If each of the standards for approval has been satisfied, the panel shall approve the curriculum for a period of three years and shall notify the applicant of the panel's decision in writing. If the standards for approval have not been met, the panel shall deny the curriculum and shall provide to the applicant a written explanation of the reason for denial.

**93.6(2)** *Renewal.* Within 90 days of expiration of the three-year approval period, an applicant may apply for approval renewal by completing a renewal of application form provided by the panel.

**93.6(3)** *Additional information.* The panel may request additional information from the applicant or other individuals at any phase in the review process.

**93.6(4)** *Evaluation of approved curriculum.* The panel may at any time reevaluate an approved curriculum. Upon evidence of a significant variation in the curriculum presented from the curriculum approved, the panel may disapprove all or any part of the previously approved curriculum.

**93.6(5)** *Amendment to approved curriculum.* The panel may require amendments to an approved curriculum based on legislative or administrative rule changes.

**641—93.7(135) Process for appeal.** A person aggrieved by a panel decision may, within 30 days of receipt of the decision, appeal the decision by submitting a written appeal to the chairperson which states the reason for the appeal. Within 60 days of receipt of the appeal, the panel shall review the application and any additional information submitted. If the panel finds that each of the standards for approval has been satisfied, the panel shall approve the curriculum. If the standards for approval have not been met, the panel shall deny the curriculum. The panel shall provide a written explanation of the reasons for the approval or denial of approval. This decision is the final action of the panel and shall be considered final agency action for purposes of judicial review. The appeal review process is not a contested case proceeding as that term is defined in Iowa Code chapter 17A.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.11 as amended by 2001 Iowa Acts, chapter 122, section 1.

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CHAPTER 94  
CHILD PROTECTION CENTER GRANT PROGRAM

**641—94.1(135) Scope and purpose.** A child protection center grant program is established to provide grants to eligible applicants for the purpose of establishing new child protection centers and to support existing child protection centers. Grants may be available to eligible organizations that meet, or that are in the process of implementing, child protection center standards established by the National Children's Alliance. If sufficient funding is available, the program shall, at a minimum, award a grant to a child protection center in or available to each department of human services region in Iowa. Implementation of the grant program is subject to the availability of funding.

**641—94.2(135) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Child abuse*” means abuse as defined by Iowa Code section 232.68(2).

“*Child protection center*” or “*child advocacy center*” means a comprehensive, child-focused program, designed by communities to meet their needs, based in a facility that allows law enforcement, child protection professionals, prosecutors, and the mental health and medical communities to work together to handle child abuse cases. Child advocacy center is synonymous with child protection center.

“*Child protection worker*” means a worker as defined by Iowa Code section 232.68(2A).

“*Culturally competent*” means the capacity to function in more than one culture, requiring the ability to appreciate, understand and interact with members of diverse populations within the community.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Developmentally appropriate*” means that services are based on human development and learning, individual characteristics and experiences, social and cultural contexts.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Family advocate*” means an individual who supports a child provided service through a child protection center and ensures access to formal or informal community services as needed by the child or the child's family.

“*Forensic interview*” means a face-to-face meeting between individuals to elicit information and that follows a process suitable for a law court or public debate.

“*Multidisciplinary team*” means individuals with many education levels that encompass the individuals' beliefs and training in fields of health, education, human service, justice, faith, and others.

**641—94.3(135) Goals.** A child protection center's goals for victims of child abuse allegations shall be:

1. To provide consistent and expedient response and follow-up to abuse reports.
2. Coordination of activities to investigate, prosecute, and treat child abuse.
3. To advocate for medical and mental health resources to effectively help the child and the child's family.
4. To reduce the number of interviews and interactions with a victim.
5. To provide consistent and compassionate support for the child and the child's family.
6. To ensure that the child is not further victimized by the system designed to protect the child.
7. To increase successful prosecutions.

**641—94.4(135) Review process.**

**94.4(1)** The department shall establish a request for proposal and application process for organizations eligible to receive funding. The department shall establish a process to review applications, which includes receiving input from a review committee. The review process and review criteria shall be described in the request for proposals.

**94.4(2)** The director shall create a committee to review proposals and make recommendations to the director. At a minimum, committee membership shall include representation from:

- a. State departments of human services, justice and public health;
- b. Iowa Medical Society;
- c. Iowa Hospital Association;

- d.* Iowa Nurses Association; and
- e.* Iowa chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

**641—94.5(135) Eligibility and criteria.** To be eligible for a child protection center grant, an organization shall:

**94.5(1)** Have acquired partial membership rank as a child advocacy center from the National Children's Alliance and shall identify a plan to acquire full membership rank within one year of receiving a state grant.

**94.5(2)** Have in place an interagency memorandum of understanding which meets the requirements of Iowa Code section 135.118. The applicant shall provide in the application written information in the following areas:

- a.* Data, statistics and facts from an assessment of need and assets in the community to support a child protection center for children.
- b.* Identification of barriers to the child protection center to reach the purpose and goals for children as may exist in federal, state or local rules, regulations, codes, policies or procedures.
- c.* A plan to request and advocate waivers of federal, state, or local rules, regulations, codes, policies, or procedures to remove or reduce barriers.
- d.* The child protection center's access to information regarding all suspected or confirmed child abuse/neglect victims in the identified service area.
- e.* The child protection center's provision of 24-hour access to center staff for support, questions and referrals regarding child abuse.
- f.* Identification of matching local funds to support and sustain the child protection center in the community.
- g.* A plan for community education on prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- h.* Collaboration agreements with providers of human services, child health services, early education services, and all other potential community partners to support the purpose and goals of the child protection center.
- i.* The child protection center's ability to access and utilize alternate funds for activities provided.

**641—94.6(135) Appeals.** An applicant may appeal the denial of a properly submitted grant application. Appeals shall be governed by rule 641—176.8(135,17A).

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.118.

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CHAPTER 95  
CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH—REGISTRATION FEE  
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**641—95.1(144) Birth certificates—when filing fee required.** Registration of a certificate of birth shall be the following for the purpose of a registration fee being charged pursuant to Iowa Code section 144.13A: birth certificate filed pursuant to Iowa Code section 144.13; delayed certificates of birth established for persons less than 18 years of age, pursuant to Iowa Code section 144.15 or 144.18; birth certificates established for foreign-born adoptees pursuant to Iowa Code section 144.23.

The state and county registrar shall charge the parent \$10 registration fee for the registration of a certificate of birth. Partial payment of fee shall not be accepted.

For delayed certificates of birth the fee shall be charged to the individual filing the certificate.

For foreign-born adoptees the fee shall be charged to the adoptive parent or parents.

**641—95.2(144) Collection.** If the person responsible for the filing of the certificate of birth under Iowa Code section 144.13 is not the parent, the person shall collect the fee from the parent, and remit to the appropriate registrar.

The person is discharged from the duty to collect and remit the fee when the person has made a good faith effort to collect the fee from the parent or has established that the fee is to be waived.

**641—95.3(144) Waivers.** The fee for registration and certified copy of a certificate of birth shall be waived when the following circumstances exist.

**95.3(1)** The expenses of birth are reimbursed under the medical assistance program established by Iowa Code chapter 249A.

**95.3(2)** The expenses of birth are paid for under the statewide indigent patient care program established by Iowa Code chapter 249A or chapter 255.

**95.3(3)** The parent is indigent and unable to pay the expenses of the birth and no other means of payment is available to the parent.

**641—95.4(144) Fee deposit.** Fees collected by the county registrar and state registrar shall be accounted for as birth registration fees or certified copy fees and shall be remitted to the treasurer of state for deposit in the appropriate state fund.

**641—95.5(144) Responsibilities of institutions.** Institutions responsible for filing certificates of birth shall collect both the registration fee and fee for the certified copy from the parent. All fees shall be remitted to the state registrar with the appropriate copy of the completed Birth Registration and Certification Fee Summary Report.

**95.5(1)** Completion of the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report documenting the fee status of each certificate of birth shall indicate:

1. Fees collected for the registration and certified copy.
2. The fees waived, as applicable, and reason.
3. No fee collected when good faith effort has been made.
4. Paternity affidavit completed.

**95.5(2)** All certificates of birth listed on the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report shall be submitted together to the appropriate registrar. All fees shall be remitted to the state registrar with the appropriate copy of the completed Birth Registration and Certification Fee Summary Report.

**641—95.6(144) Local registrar.** Rescinded IAB 8/4/93, effective 7/16/93.

**641—95.7(144) County registrars.** For births which occur in institutions the county registrar shall review the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report for completeness and correctness and verify that all certificates of birth correspond with those listed on the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report.

**95.7(1)** For births filed directly with the county registrar, complete a Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, collect the registration fee, the certified copy fee and forward report and fees to state registrar for deposit to appropriate accounts.

**95.7(2)** If the registration fee has not been collected or waived, provide notice to the parent that a fee is required for registration of a birth certificate and that the fee is due.

**95.7(3)** If the fee is paid or waived within six months of the receipt of the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, it shall be noted on the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report. Fees shall be accounted for and forwarded to the state registrar for deposit to appropriate accounts.

Two weeks after notice of payment due has been sent, if no fee has been received, the uncollected fee will be referred to the county attorney of the county of residence of the parent.

**641—95.8(144) State registrar.** Review the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report for completeness and correctness, verify that all certificates of birth correspond with those listed on the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, account for all fees and deposit fees.

**95.8(1)** For births filed directly with the state registrar, complete a Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, collect the registration and certified copy, fees, and deposit fees.

**95.8(2)** If the fee has not been collected or waived, provide notice to the responsible party that a fee is required for registration of a birth certificate and that the fee is due.

**95.8(3)** If the fee is paid or waived within six months of the receipt of the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, it shall be noted on the Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report. Fees shall be accounted for and deposited.

Two weeks after notice of payment due has been sent, if no fee has been received, the uncollected fee will be referred to the county attorney of the county in which the birth occurred.

**641—95.9(144) Retention.** The Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report shall be retained for three years after the close of the fiscal year in which the fees are received.

**641—95.10(144) Forms.** For purposes of these rules the following forms are utilized: Hospital Birth Worksheet, CFN 220-0006; Birth Registration Certification Fee Summary Report, CFN 220-0242. These forms can be inspected or copied at the Iowa Department of Public Health, Fourth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 144.

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CHAPTER 96  
VITAL RECORDS

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**641—96.1(144) Definitions.** Record(s) shall be the following for the purposes of general public accessibility:

*Record of death.* Record of death shall be the compilation of those entries of death contained in docket books reflecting the recording of the death event.

Record of death shall also be the Certificate of Death excluding all entries indicating that they are “confidential information,” “for statistical purposes only,” or otherwise indicated as confidential or statistical in nature on the face of the record.

*Record of dissolution or divorce.* Record of dissolution or divorce shall be the Statistical Report of Dissolution and Report of Divorce excluding all entries under that “Confidential Statistical Section,” or indicating the “Information for Statistical Purposes Only,” or otherwise indicated as confidential or statistical in nature on the face of the record.

*Record of live birth.* Record of live birth shall be the compilation of those entries of live birth contained in docket books reflecting the recording of the live birth event.

Record of live birth shall also be the Certificate of Live Birth excluding all entries indicating that “they will not appear upon the certificate,” “for medical and health purposes only,” “for statistical purposes only,” “confidential information,” or otherwise indicated as confidential or statistical in nature on the face of the record.

*Record of marriage.* Record of marriage shall be the compilation of those entries contained in docket books reflecting the recording of the marriage event.

Record of marriage shall also be the Certificate of Marriage excluding all entries indicating “confidential information,” “for statistical purposes only,” or otherwise indicated as confidential or statistical in nature on the face of the record.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.43.

**641—96.2(144) Specification.** The state registrar may require that a person requesting a copy of a vital record, examination, or search for a vital record specify in writing the name of the person whose vital records are to be copied, examined, or searched; the purpose of such request; the relationship of the person making the request to the registrant; and the signature and address of the person making the request.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.43.

**641—96.3(144) Handling.** Equipment or vital records shall not be physically handled except by the state registrar, deputy or authorized personnel. This rule shall not prevent copying vital records.

**641—96.4(144) Fees.** Effective January 1, 2005, the following fees shall be charged for the various services provided by the state registrar or the county registrar.

**96.4(1)** A fee of \$15 shall be charged for the preparation of an adoption certificate, for amending a certificate, for amending a certificate of birth to reflect legal change of name, and for the preparation of a delayed certificate, for processing any other administrative or legal action, and for the preparation of copies of supporting documents on file in the state registrar’s office.

**96.4(2)** A fee of \$15 shall be charged by the state registrar and a fee of \$15 shall be charged by the county registrar for each record search conducted and shall include the issuance of a copy if the record is located. A fee of \$15 shall be charged for each additional certified copy issued. If following a search no record is found, the \$15 fee shall be retained.

**96.4(3)** A fee of \$15 shall be charged by the state registrar for amending an abstract or other legal documentation in support of the preparation of a new certificate.

**96.4(4)** Any overpayment of less than \$15 received by the state registrar for copying of or search for vital records, or for preparation or amending of a certificate, shall not be refunded.

**96.4(5)** When an individual is in possession of a previously issued certified copy of a vital record and the original record is subsequently changed or amended, the individual may request and receive a certified copy of the changed record without charge, if the uncorrected certified copy is relinquished.

**96.4(6)** When a search is conducted by the person requesting the copy, a fee based on the average administrative costs as established by the county shall be charged for an uncertified copy of a county record. The fee shall be retained by the county.

**96.4(7)** All fees collected by the county registrar and the state registrar, with the exception of the fee in subrule 96.4(6), shall be distributed as follows.

*a. Fees collected by a county registrar.* The county registrar shall retain \$4 of all fees collected by that office. The balance of fees collected by the county registrar shall be divided as follows:

(1) For birth and marriage certificates, the state registrar shall receive \$8, and \$3 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

(2) For death certificates, the state registrar shall receive \$6, the office of the state medical examiner shall receive \$3, and \$2 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

*b. Fees collected by the state registrar.* The state registrar shall retain \$9 of all fees collected by that office. The balance of fees collected by the state registrar shall be divided as follows:

(1) For birth and marriage certificates, \$6 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

(2) For death certificates, the office of the state medical examiner shall receive \$3, and \$3 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

All fees retained by the state registrar shall be added to the fund established by the department for the modernization of vital records.

All fees received by the office of the state medical examiner shall be added to the fund established for the operation of that office and the contribution it makes to the modernization of vital records.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.46; 1993 Iowa Acts, chapter 55; 1994 Iowa Acts, chapter 1068, section 8; and 2004 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2298, section 104.

**641—96.5(144) Additional statistical data.** Additional statistical data desired by the state registrar may be gathered on a separate sheet which may be attached to the marriage certificate. The statistical information sheet shall be clearly labeled, and data which is not required shall be clearly identified as optional. The statistical data sheet may be removed and forwarded to the department separate from the marriage certificate. Data collected by this means shall be considered as subject to Iowa Code section 144.43.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 144.

<sup>1</sup> Objection, see filed rules published IAC Supp. 6/14/76, 8/9/76

**641—96.6(144) General public accessibility.** At county level the general public shall have complete uncensored access and right to inspect all vital statistics records and information contained therein, except for that information specifically excluded by statute or definition for purposes of confidentiality.

**96.6(1)** There shall be complete uncensored access and a right to inspect all vital record docket books at the county level, when these dockets are purged of information categorized as confidential or private.

**96.6(2)** Access and the right to inspect all other vital records, nondocket, shall be on a document-by-document basis.

**96.6(3)** Upon request certified copies of vital records may be issued or made at county level, upon the payment of the required fee and demonstration of a verifiable direct and tangible interest. Uncertified copies of all vital records may be issued or made at county level, upon payment of a reasonable charge and demonstration of a verifiable direct and tangible interest.

**96.6(4)** Out-of-wedlock birth records prior to July 1, 1995. Accessibility: Records of out-of-wedlock births shall not be accessible to the public as of right under Iowa Code chapter 22 when they are in the custody of a county registrar.

For purposes of general public access and confidentiality, “out-of-wedlock” birth records shall be determined as follows:



a. Any record of birth where there is a reference or statement on the certificate or entry which directly indicates or specifies illegitimate or specified “no” regarding “born in wedlock” or “legitimate,” or

b. Any record of birth where there is reference or statement on the certificate or entry that either parent is “unknown,” “anonymous,” or there was a refusal to give parents’ name, or

c. Any certificate or entry which reflects the omission or absence of the name of the father of the child.

However, in all of the above paragraphs “a,” “b,” and “c” where the registrar has evidence from the record itself that the birth is a legitimate birth, the record of birth shall be accessible.

For out-of-wedlock births after July 1, 1995, filed at the county, accessibility will be as described in subrules 96.6(1), (2), and (3).

**96.6(5)** The state registrar may transmit to the appropriate local boards of health information from birth certificates for the sole purpose of identifying those children in need of immunizations. The state registrar may impose conditions to ensure that the use of the data is limited to official purposes.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.43.

**641—96.7(144) Direct tangible interest accessibility.** Certified copies of vital records may be issued or made at county level, upon the payment of the required fee for certification and demonstration of a verifiable direct and tangible interest. Uncertified copies of all vital records may be issued or made at county level, upon payment of a reasonable charge and demonstration of a verifiable direct and tangible interest.

The following persons shall be considered to have a direct tangible interest in requested records:

1. The registrant, a member of the registrant’s immediate family, legal representative or agent. Other persons may demonstrate a direct and tangible interest when it is shown the information needed is for the determination or protection of a personal or property interest.

“Legal representative” shall include an attorney, physician, funeral director, abstractor, insurance agent or an agent acting on behalf of the registrant or the registrant’s immediate family.

2. Applicants or their agents conducting family research satisfactorily demonstrating to the local custodian the existence of a direct and tangible interest. This is accomplished by substantiating a line of direct lineal consanguinity.

Direct lineal consanguinity is the existence of a line of descent in which one person is descended in a direct lineal relationship to another; as between a particular person and the person’s parent, grandparent, great-grandparent, and so upward, in the direct ascending line; or between a particular person and the person’s child, grandchild, great-grandchild and so downward in the direct descending line and any siblings of those persons. The county custodian shall require sufficient identification, such as name, address and relationship of all applicants requesting access under the criteria of direct and tangible interest. A written attestation by the applicant as to the applicant’s right to uncensored access may be required by the county custodian.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.3.

**641—96.8(144) County custodians’ responsibility for maintenance of confidentiality.** The state and county registrars shall maintain the confidentiality of all excluded material and information. Where records are such that this confidential information is included with accessible information, only accessible material and information shall be made available to the general public.

County custodians of vital records shall take all necessary steps to ensure the confidentiality of that information reflected on vital records that has been excluded from general public access. The county custodians must employ one or all of the following methods to ensure confidentiality:

1. Temporarily cover, by appropriate means, confidential material or information in such a manner as to allow access if needed at a later time.

2. If vital records are microfilmed, make a copy of the records from existing microfilm, eliminating the confidential material and information or cover the copy as above.

3. The county custodian will reproduce all vital records at county level eliminating the confidential material and information.

The county registrar may adopt reasonable charges to reflect the expenses for efforts required to allow general public access, examination and the assurance of confidentiality of this material and information pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code chapter 22. This fee is to be paid by those requesting these services as provided by the county custodian for supervising, copying or providing a suitable place for such work.

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CHAPTER 98  
FORMS UNIFORM

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**641—98.1(144) Forms property of Iowa department of public health.** All forms, certificates and reports pertaining to the registration of vital events are the property of the Iowa department of public health and shall be surrendered to the state registrar or the registrar's representative upon demand. The forms supplied or approved for reporting vital events shall be used for official purposes as provided for by law, rules and instructions of the state registrar. No forms shall be used in the reporting of vital events or making copies of vital records except those furnished or approved by the state registrar.

**641—98.2(144) Preparation of certificates.** Death certificates must be prepared on a typewriter with a dark ribbon. All other certificates must either be prepared on a typewriter with a dark ribbon or written in dark, unfading ink. All signatures required shall be entered in dark, unfading ink. Unless otherwise directed by the state registrar, no certificate shall be complete and correct and acceptable for filing:

1. That does not have the names typed or printed legibly under all signatures for positive identification purposes;
2. That does not supply all items of information called for thereon or satisfactorily accounts for their omission;
3. That contains major alterations or erasures;
4. That does not contain genuine signatures;
5. That is marked "copy" or "duplicate";
6. That is a carbon copy;
7. That is prepared on an improper form;
8. That contains obviously improper or inconsistent data;
9. That is not prepared in conformity with these rules or instructions issued by the state registrar.

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CHAPTER 99  
DELAYED BIRTH, DEATH AND MARRIAGE REGISTRATION  
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**641—99.1(144) Foundling registration.** The certificate for a living infant of unknown parentage is to be filed on a regular live birth certificate and shall:

1. Have “foundling registration” plainly marked in the left top margin of the certificate;
2. Show the required facts as determined by approximation and have parentage data left blank;
3. Have the certification of the attendant changed to read “signature of custodian” indicating title, if any.

**641—99.2(144) Birth registration—five days to one year.** The registration of a birth after the statutory time prescribed for filing but within one year from the date of birth shall be registered on the standard form of live birth certificate. Such certificate shall not be marked delayed. In any case where the certificate is signed by one of the parents, a statement giving the reason why the certificate cannot be signed by the attendant must appear on the reverse side of the certificate. The state registrar may require additional evidence in support of the facts of birth or an explanation for the delay in filing in any case where there appears to be reason to question the adequacy of the registration.

**641—99.3(144) Delayed birth registration—after one year.** All births registered one year or more after the date of birth are to be registered on a special “delayed certificate of birth” form adopted by the state registrar.

**641—99.4(144) Who may file delayed certificate.** Any person born in Iowa and whose birth is not recorded in Iowa, or the person’s parent, guardian, next of kin or other person acting for the registrant and having personal knowledge of the facts of birth, may file a delayed certificate of birth with the state registrar.

**641—99.5(144) Delayed certificate to be signed.** Each delayed certificate of birth shall be signed and sworn to before an official authorized to administer oaths by the person whose birth is to be registered if such person is 16 years of age or over and is competent to sign and swear to the accuracy of the facts stated therein; otherwise, the certificate shall be signed and sworn to by one of the parents, the guardian, the next of kin, or if none of these exist, any other older person. In all cases when someone other than the applicant signs the certificate, such person must be older than the applicant and have personal knowledge of the facts of birth.

**641—99.6(144) Facts to be established for delayed registration of birth.** The minimum facts which must be established by documentary evidence shall be the following:

1. The full name of the person at the time of birth, except that an additional delayed certificate may reflect a name established by adoption or legitimation when such evidence is submitted;
2. The date of birth and place of birth;
3. The name of the mother;
4. The full name of the father, except that if the mother was not married to the father of the child at the time of birth or during the ten months preceding such birth, the name of the father shall not be entered on the delayed certificate unless the child has been adopted or legitimated or parentage has been determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or there is evidence of acknowledgment of paternity by both parents.

**641—99.7(144) Documentary evidence.**

**99.7(1)** To be acceptable for filing, the name of registrant and the date and place of birth entered on a delayed birth certificate shall be supported by at least:

- a. Two pieces of documentary evidence if filed within seven years after the date of birth; or
- b. Three pieces of documentary evidence if filed seven years or more after the date of birth.

**99.7(2)** Each document must be from an independent source. Facts of parentage need be supported by only one document which may be one of the documents above. Documents presented shall be in the form of the original record or a duly certified copy thereof or a certification statement from the custodian of the record or document.

**99.7(3)** All documents submitted in evidence must have been executed at least ten years prior to the date of application or have been established prior to the applicant's tenth birthday.

**99.7(4)** Rescinded IAB 8/4/93, effective 7/16/93.

**641—99.8(144) Abstraction and certification by state registrar.** The state registrar or the registrar's designated representative shall abstract on the delayed certificate of birth a description of each document submitted to support the facts on the delayed birth certificate. This description shall include:

1. The title or description of the document;
2. The name and address of the affiant if the document is an affidavit of personal knowledge or of the custodian if the document is an original or certified copy of a record or certification statement;
3. The date of the original filing of the document being abstracted;
4. The information regarding the birth and parentage contained in the document.

**641—99.9(144) Documents returned.**

**99.9(1)** The state registrar or authorized agent shall by signature certify:

- a.* That no prior birth certificate is on file for the person whose birth is to be recorded;
- b.* That the state registrar or authorized agent has reviewed the evidence submitted to establish the facts of birth;
- c.* That the abstract of the evidence appearing on the delayed birth certificate accurately reflects the nature and content of the document.

**99.9(2)** All documents submitted in support of the delayed birth registration shall be returned to the applicant after review and abstraction.

**641—99.10(144) Cancellation after one year.** Delayed certificates not completed within one year may be canceled at the discretion of the state registrar. Upon cancellation, the state registrar shall return to the applicant all documents that have been submitted.

**641—99.11(144) Duties of county registrar.** Documentary evidence may be presented to the county registrar for review. If presented to the county registrar, the county registrar shall prepare an abstract for each document on a separate form provided by the state registrar. The abstracts along with the partially completed delayed certificate form and any affidavits that are being presented in evidence shall be transmitted to the state registrar for final determination of acceptability.

**641—99.12(144) Delayed registration of death records.**

**99.12(1)** The registration of a death after the statutory time prescribed for filing shall be registered on the standard form of death certificate in use at the time of registration.

**99.12(2)** If the attending physician or medical examiner at the time of death and the attending funeral director or person who acted as such are available to complete and sign the certificate of death, it may be completed without additional documentary evidence and filed with the state registrar. However, for those certificates filed one year or more after the date of death, the physician or medical examiner must state on the reverse side of the certificate that the information on the certificate is based on records kept in the files.

**99.12(3)** In the absence of the attending physician or medical examiner or the funeral director or person who acted as such, the certificate may be filed by a member of the immediate family of the deceased and shall be accompanied by:

- a.* An affidavit of the person filing the certificate swearing to the accuracy of the information in the certificates;
- b.* Two documents which identify the deceased and the date and place of death.



**99.12(4)** In all cases, the state registrar may require additional documentary evidence to prove the facts of death.

**641—99.13(144) Delayed registration of marriage records.**

**99.13(1)** A delayed certificate of marriage may be filed by the husband or wife or survivor if either party has died, or an adult son or daughter for any marriage performed in Iowa and not recorded within the statutory time prescribed for filing.

**99.13(2)** To be acceptable for registration by the state registrar, the delayed certificate of marriage must be supported by:

- a.* A copy of the license or the application for the license; and
- b.* A statement transcribed from the official records where the marriage was performed or of the person who performed the ceremony proving that there was a marriage and the date and place of such marriage. Such statements must be prepared and sworn to by the custodian of such records; or
- c.* An affidavit from one witness to the wedding ceremony swearing to the facts of the marriage.

**99.13(3)** The delayed certificate of marriage shall be the form of marriage certificate in use at the time of registration.

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CHAPTER 100  
ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH  
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**641—100.1(144) Certificates, forms.** The standard form of certificate of birth in use at the time of preparation of the new certificate of birth shall be used.

**641—100.2(144) Data required.** To establish a new certificate following legitimation or determination of paternity, the necessary data to locate the original record and appropriate parental data shall be on a form furnished or approved by the state registrar.

**641—100.3(144) Certificate following adoption.**

**100.3(1)** A new certificate of birth may be prepared by the state registrar for a child born in Iowa upon receipt of an adoption report or certified copy of an adoption decree from the courts of Iowa or the several states of the United States.

**100.3(2)** A new certificate of birth may be prepared by the state registrar for a child born in a foreign nation upon request of resident adoptive parent(s) and receipt of all of the following documents:

*a.* Authenticated adoption decree in both the foreign language and English containing the official signature of the translator or an adoption report or certified copy of an adoption decree from the courts of Iowa;

*b.* If the decree does not contain all required fields to establish the certificate of foreign birth, then an adoptee's authenticated birth certificate in the foreign language and the English translation containing the official signature of the translator;

*c.* Adoptee's original permanent residence card (green card) or passport containing the official stamped I-551 statement of temporary evidence of permanent residence;

*d.* Certified copy of the birth certificate of the adoptive parent(s); and

*e.* Notarized statement on letterhead from the licensed adoption agency or certified adoption investigator that establishes parental residency.

By the authority of Public Law 106-395, a foreign-born child adopted by a U.S. citizen after February 27, 2001, automatically becomes a U.S. citizen. A certificate of citizenship may be obtained from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and a passport may be obtained from the Department of State.

**100.3(3)** The name reflected on the certificate shall be the child's name exactly as listed on the decree presented to the state registrar. A legal change of name issued pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 674 shall be required to change the name.

**100.3(4)** The state registrar shall collect the fee for processing and registering the birth.

**641—100.4(144) Certificate following legitimation.**

**100.4(1)** If the natural parents of a child intermarry after the birth of the child, a new certificate of birth may be prepared if the child was born in Iowa. However, if another man is shown as the father on the original certificate, a new certificate may be prepared only when a determination of paternity is made by a court of competent jurisdiction.

**100.4(2)** An affidavit of paternity prepared and signed by the natural parents and a certified copy of the parents' marriage record or a certified copy of the court determination of paternity must be submitted to the state registrar in order that a new certificate may be prepared.

**641—100.5(144) Certificate following determination of paternity.** A certified copy of the court determination of paternity along with the request of the mother that a new certificate be prepared must be submitted to the state registrar in order that a new certificate may be prepared.

**641—100.6(144) Minimum information required.** In addition to the information required by law, the new certificate shall also contain as a minimum the following items:

1. The name of the child;
2. The date and place of birth as transcribed from the original certificate;

3. The names and personal particulars of the adoptive parents or of the natural father;
4. The name of the attendant, printed or typed;
5. The same birth number as was assigned to the original certificate;
6. The original filing date.

**641—100.7(144) Original certificate to be sealed.** After preparation of the new certificate, the original certificate and the evidence upon which it was based are to be sealed and placed in a special file. The state registrar may inspect such sealed information for purposes of properly administering the vital statistics program.

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CHAPTER 101  
DEATH CERTIFICATION, AUTOPSY AND DISINTERMENT  
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**641—101.1(144) Report of autopsy findings.**

**101.1(1)** In cases where an autopsy is to be performed, it shall not be necessary to defer the entry of the cause of death pending a full report of microscopic and toxicological studies.

**101.1(2)** In any case where the gross findings of an autopsy are inadequate to determine the cause of death, the physician or medical examiner shall enter the cause as “pending” on the certificate and sign the certification. Immediately after the medical data necessary for determining the cause of death have been made known, the physician or medical examiner shall forward the cause of death to the registrar on a supplemental form provided by the state registrar and signed by the physician or medical examiner.

**101.1(3)** In any case where the autopsy findings significantly change the medical diagnosis of cause of death, a supplemental report of the cause of death shall be made by the physician or medical examiner to the registrar as soon as the findings are available. Such report shall be made a part of the original certificate.

**641—101.2(144) Attending physician not available.** An associate physician, who relieves the attending physician while on vacation or otherwise unavailable, may certify to the cause of death in any case where the associate physician has access to the medical history of the case, provided that the associate physician views the deceased at or after death occurs and the death is from natural causes. In all other cases in which a physician is unavailable, the medical examiner shall prepare the medical certification of cause of death.

**641—101.3(144) Hospital or institution may assist in preparation of certificate.** When death occurs in a hospital or other institution and the death is not under the jurisdiction of the medical examiner, the person in charge of such institution or the designated representative where the cause of death is known may aid in the preparation of the death certificate as follows:

Place the full name of the deceased, date and place of death on the death certificate blank and obtain from the attending physician the medical certification of cause of death and the signature of the attending physician;

Present the partially completed death certificate (identified by the name) and the completed medical certification to the funeral director or person who acted as such.

**641—101.4(135) Removal of dead body or fetus.**

**101.4(1)** Before assuming custody of a dead human body or fetus, any person shall:

*a.* Contact the attending physician and receive assurance that death is from natural causes and that the physician will assume responsibility for certifying to the cause of death or fetal death; or

*b.* If the case comes within the jurisdiction of the medical examiner, contact the medical examiner and receive authorization to remove the dead human body or fetus.

**101.4(2)** If a person other than a funeral director, medical examiner, or emergency medical service assumes custody of a dead human body or fetus, the person shall secure a burial-transit permit.

**641—101.5(144) Burial-transit permit.**

**101.5(1)** The burial-transit permit shall be issued upon a form prescribed by the state registrar and shall state:

*a.* The name, date of death, cause of death and other necessary details required by the state registrar;

*b.* That a satisfactory certificate of death has been filed;

*c.* That permission is granted to inter, remove or otherwise dispose of the body; and

*d.* The name and location of the cemetery or crematory where final disposition of the body is to be made.

The burial-transit permit shall be issued by the county medical examiner, a funeral director, or the county registrar of the county where the certificate of death or fetal death was filed.

**101.5(2)** The burial-transit permit shall be delivered to the person in charge of the place of final disposition.

**101.5(3)** The person in charge of every place of final disposition shall see that all of the requirements of this chapter relative to burial-transit permits have been complied with before disposition. Such person shall retain the burial-transit permit for a period of one year from the date of final disposition.

**101.5(4)** A burial-transit permit shall not be issued prior to the filing of a certificate of death or fetal death in the county where the death occurred.

**101.5(5)** A burial-transit permit shall not be issued to a person other than a licensed funeral director if the death or fetal death is of a suspected or known communicable disease as defined by 641—paragraph 1.2(1)“a.”

**101.5(6)** In all cases where a fetus has reached a gestation period of 20 completed weeks or more, or with a weight of 350 grams or more, a burial-transit permit must be obtained for the disposition of the fetus.

#### **641—101.6(135) Transportation and disposition of dead body or fetus.**

**101.6(1)** A dead human body or fetus shall be transported only after enclosure in a container for transfer that will control odor and prevent the leakage of body fluids, unless the body or fetus has been embalmed, or is being transported by a licensed funeral director, emergency medical service, or medical examiner. In addition, the transport of a dead human body or fetus shall be in a manner that, applying contemporary community standards with respect to what is suitable, is respectful of the dead, the feelings of relatives, and the sensibilities of the community.

**101.6(2)** When a dead human body or fetus is transported from the state, the burial-transit permit shall accompany the body or fetus. When a dead human body or fetus is brought into the state, a burial-transit permit under the law of the state in which the death occurred shall accompany the body or fetus.

**101.6(3)** If the final disposition of a dead human body or fetus is cremation at a licensed cremation establishment, scattering of cremated remains shall be subject to the local ordinances of the political subdivision, and any and all regulations of the cemetery, if applicable, in which the scattering site is located. However, such local ordinances and cemetery regulations shall not allow scattering of cremated remains upon state property or upon private property without the property owner’s consent. In the absence of an applicable local ordinance or cemetery regulation, scattering of cremated remains shall not be allowed upon any public property or upon private property without the property owner’s consent. Cremation shall be considered final disposition by the department and no further burial-transit permits shall be required.

**101.6(4)** If the final disposition of a dead human body or fetus is burial, interment or entombment, local ordinances of the political subdivision in which the final disposition site is located and any and all regulations of the cemetery, if applicable, shall apply. In the absence of an applicable local ordinance, the depth of the grave at its shallowest point shall be at least three feet from the top of the burial container.

#### **641—101.7(135,144) Disinterment permits.**

**101.7(1)** Disinterment permits shall be required for any relocation (above or below ground) of a body from its original site of interment. Disinterment permits shall be valid for 30 days after the date of issuance. Disinterment permits are to be issued on a four-copy form prescribed by the state registrar: one copy filed with the sexton or person in charge of the cemetery in which disinterment is to be made; one copy to be used during transportation; one copy filed with the sexton or person in charge of the cemetery of reinterment; and one copy to be returned within ten days after the date of disinterment by the funeral director or embalmer to the state registrar.

**101.7(2)** A dead body, properly prepared by an embalmer and deposited in a receiving vault, shall not be considered a disinterment when removed from the vault for final burial.

**641—101.8(144) Extension of time.** If the attending physician or medical examiner is unable to complete the medical certification of cause of death or if the funeral director is unable to obtain the personal information about the deceased within the statutory time period, the funeral director shall file a death certificate form completed with all information available. Such certificate shall be authority for the county registrar to issue a burial-transit permit. As soon as possible, but in all cases within 15 days, a supplemental report shall be filed with the local registrar providing the information missing from the original certificate.

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CHAPTER 102  
CORRECTION AND AMENDMENT OF VITAL RECORDS  
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**641—102.1(144) Application to amend records.**

**102.1(1)** To amend a birth certificate, application may be made only by one of the parents, the guardian, or the registrant if of legal age.

**102.1(2)** To amend a death or fetal death certificate, application shall be made by the next of kin or the funeral director or person acting as such. Corrections or amendments to the medical certification of cause of death shall be requested by the attending physician or the medical examiner. The physician or medical examiner may by affidavit amend the cause of death within 90 days following the date of death or fetal death. Any amendment after 90 days following death or fetal death can be made only by court order. Provided, however, that the cause of death may be amended at any point upon submission of a report of autopsy findings.

**102.1(3)** To amend a marriage record, application shall be made by the parties married, the officiant, or by the next of kin.

**102.1(4)** To amend a divorce record, a certification must be received from the clerk of court maintaining the record from which the report was prepared stating in what manner such record has been amended. Those items appearing on the divorce record which are not a part of the divorce decree may be corrected or amended either by query or upon application of the parties to the divorce or their legal representatives.

**641—102.2(144) Correction of minor errors within first year.** Corrections of obvious errors, transposition of letters in words of common knowledge, or omissions, may be made by the state registrar within the first year after the date of the event, either upon observation, upon query, or upon request of a person with a direct and tangible interest in the record. If such additions or minor corrections are made by the state registrar, a notation as to the source of the information, together with the date the change was made and the initials of the authorized agent making the change, shall be made on the record. Certificates corrected under this section are not to be marked amended.

**641—102.3(144) Amendments or major corrections.**

**102.3(1)** All other corrections or amendments unless covered elsewhere in these rules or in the law, shall be supported by:

*a.* An affidavit setting forth

- (1) Information to identify the certificate;
- (2) The incorrect data as it is listed on the certificate;
- (3) The correct data as it should appear.

*b.* One or more pieces of documentary evidence supporting the correction or amendment. If the application for correction or amendment is made one year or more after the event, the documentary evidence must be established at least five years prior to the date the correction or amendment is requested or within seven years of the date of event.

**102.3(2)** The state registrar may determine a priority of best evidence and may, upon discretion, require additional documentary evidence to support the requested correction or amendment. The state registrar shall evaluate the evidence submitted in support of any amendment, and when there is reason to question its validity or adequacy, the state registrar may reject the amendment and shall advise the applicant of the reasons for this action.

**641—102.4(144) Correction of same item more than once.** Once a correction of an entry is made on a vital record, that entry shall not be corrected again unless:

1. It can be shown that the first correction was made through mistake; or
2. A court order is received from a court of competent jurisdiction.

**641—102.5(144) Methods of amending certificates.** Corrections or amendments shall be made by drawing a single line through the incorrect item, if listed, and inserting the correct or missing data immediately above it or to the side of it, or by completing the blank item, as the case may be. In all cases where a line must be drawn through an original entry, it must not obliterate the original entry. In addition, there shall be inserted on the certificate, or in a separate file, a statement identifying the affidavit and documentary evidence used as proof of the correct facts and the date the correction was made. The word “amended” shall be placed on the certificate. In every case where the word “amended” is required to appear on the certificate, it shall appear on all copies of such certificates.

**641—102.6(144) Amendment of birth certificate by paternity affidavit.** A certificate of birth may be amended to show paternity, if paternity is not shown on the certificate, by submission of a sworn acknowledgment or affidavit signed by both parents. Where there is a legal finding of fact that the husband of the mother at time of conception or birth is not the biological father of the child, the husband’s name shall be removed. Subsequent to the removal of the husband’s name a sworn acknowledgment or affidavit may be used to establish paternity. The certificate shall not be marked as “amended.”

**641—102.7(144) Change of given names within first year.**

**102.7(1)** Until the registrant’s first birthday, given names may be added or changed upon written request of:

- a.* Both parents; or
- b.* The mother in the case of a child born out of wedlock or the death or incapacity of the father; or
- c.* The father in the case of the death or incapacity of the mother; or
- d.* The guardian in the case of the death or incapacity of both parents.

**102.7(2)** This procedure may be employed to change a given name only once. Thereafter, and at any time after the first year, the given name may be changed only upon submission of a court order.

**641—102.8(144) Addition of given names until seventh birthday.**

**102.8(1)** Until the registrant’s seventh birthday, the given name for a child whose birth was reported without a given name may be added based upon an affidavit signed by:

- a.* Both parents; or
- b.* The mother in the case of a child born out of wedlock or the death or incapacity of the father; or
- c.* The father in the case of the death or incapacity of the mother; or
- d.* The guardian or agency having legal custody of the registrant in the case of death or incapacity of both parents.

**102.8(2)** A certificate amended in this manner is not to be marked “amended.”

**641—102.9(144) Addition of given name after seventh birthday.** After the seventh birthday one or more pieces of documentary evidence must be submitted to substantiate the given name being added.

**641—102.10(144) Legal change of name.** For a legal change of name, a certified copy of the court order changing the name must be presented to the state registrar along with data to identify the birth certificate and a request that it be amended to show the new name.

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CHAPTER 103  
CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS  
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**641—103.1(144) Disclosure of data.**

**103.1(1)** The state registrar or county registrar shall permit the inspection of a record or issue a certified copy of a record or part thereof only when satisfied that the applicant has a direct and tangible interest in the content of the record and that the information contained therein is necessary for the determination of a personal or property right.

*a.* A request from the registrant, a member of the immediate family, the guardian, or their respective legal representatives shall be considered to be a direct and tangible interest.

*b.* For the purpose of securing information or obtaining certified copies of vital records, the term legal representative shall include an attorney, physician, funeral director, insurance company, or an authorized agency acting in behalf of the registrant or the registrant's family.

*c.* For the purpose of securing and obtaining data from vital records, requests from natural parents of adopted children, in the absence of a court order, and requests from commercial firms or agencies requesting listings of names and addresses shall not be considered to be direct and tangible interest.

**103.1(2)** The state registrar may permit use of data of vital statistics records for research purposes subject to conditions the state registrar may impose to ensure that the use of the data is limited to such research purposes.

**103.1(3)** The state registrar or county registrar may disclose data from vital statistics records to federal, state, county or municipal agencies of government which request such data in the conduct of their official duties, subject to conditions the state registrar may impose to ensure that the use of the data is limited to official purposes.

**103.1(4)** Information in vital records indicating a birth occurred out of wedlock shall be released by the state registrar to the registrant, to the legal parent(s), to the legal grandparents, to the legal guardian, to their respective legal representatives, to an authorized agency acting on behalf of the registrant or upon order of a district court. Information may also be released to a legal descendant, or the descendant's authorized agent, who has direct and tangible interest and satisfactorily substantiates a direct lineal consanguinity.

**103.1(5)** Whenever it shall be deemed necessary to establish an applicant's right to information from vital statistics records, the state registrar or county registrar may require written application, identification of the applicant, or a sworn affidavit.

**103.1(6)** No data shall be furnished from records for research purposes until the state registrar has prepared in writing the conditions under which the records may be used and received an agreement signed by a responsible agent of the research organization agreeing to meet with and conform to such conditions.

**103.1(7)** The state registrar or the registrar's designee shall have the right to appoint volunteers to assist with vital records. All volunteers utilized for the purging project for vital records shall be responsible to, and under the direction of, the state registrar or designees. Volunteers will be screened by the state registrar or the registrar's designee prior to participation. This purging shall be done in a secure place maintained to ensure the confidentiality of the vital records in question.

All volunteers will be required to sign an oath swearing to abide by all appropriate statutes and rules applicable to nondisclosure of confidential information contained in accessed vital records. The volunteers' obligation of confidentiality is to be clearly spelled out in the agreement as well as all penalties which the volunteers may be subjected to if violations occur.

All volunteers serve without compensation.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.3.

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CHAPTER 104  
COPIES OF VITAL RECORDS  
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**641—104.1(144) Certified copies and verifications.** Certified copies of vital statistics certificates may be prepared and issued by the state registrar or the county registrar.

**104.1(1)** Full- or short-form certified copies of vital records may be made by mechanical, electronic, or other reproductive processes, except that the medical and health data on birth and fetal death certificates, other than the cause of fetal death, shall not be included.

**104.1(2)** When a certified copy is issued, each certification shall contain a statement certifying that the facts are the true facts recorded in the issuing office; the date issued; the name of the issuing office; the registrar's signature or an authorized facsimile thereof; and the seal of the issuing office.

**104.1(3)** Confidential verifications of the facts contained in vital statistics records may be furnished by the state registrar to any federal, state, county or municipal government agency or other entity representing the interest of the registrant. Such confidential verifications shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the state registrar or on forms furnished by the requesting agency and acceptable to the state registrar, or the state registrar may authorize the verification in other ways.

**641—104.2(144) Cancellation of fraudulent records.** When the state registrar is satisfied that a certificate was registered through fraud or misrepresentation, the state registrar shall give to the person named in the certificate a notice in writing of the state registrar's intention to cancel said certificate. The notice shall give such person an opportunity to appear and show cause why the certificate should not be canceled. The notice may be served on such person, or in the case of a minor or incompetent, on parent or guardian by forwarding the notice by certified mail to the last-known address on file in the division. Unless such person or the parent or guardian shall within 30 days after the date of mailing the notice show cause satisfactory to the state registrar why the certificate shall not be canceled, the state registrar may cancel the certificate, and it shall not be available for certification.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.3.

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CHAPTER 105  
DECLARATION OF PATERNITY REGISTRY

**641—105.1(144) Definitions.**

“*Child*” means a person under 18 years of age for whom paternity has not been established.

“*Court*” means the juvenile court.

“*Father*” means the male, biological parent of a child.

“*Putative father*” means a man who is alleged to be or who claims to be the biological father of a child born to a woman to whom the man is not married at the time of the birth of the child.

“*Registrant*” means a person who has registered and who claims to be the father of a child.

“*Registrar*” means the state registrar of vital statistics.

“*Registry*” means the declaration of paternity registry.

**641—105.2(144) Registry established.** There is established in the Bureau of Vital Records a registry for the declaration of paternity to be kept separately from paternity. The declaration may be filed prior to the birth of a child and no later than the date of the filing of a petition for termination of parental rights. Failure or refusal to file a declaration of paternity shall not be used as evidence to avoid a legally established obligation of financial support for a child.

**641—105.3(144) Information to be provided.** A person who files a declaration of paternity with the state registrar shall complete the correct form and provide all of the following:

1. Registrant’s name, current address, social security number, notarized signature and date.
2. The name, last known address, and social security number, if known, of the mother of the child.
3. The name of the child, if known, and the date and location of the birth of the child, if known.

A copy of the declaration of paternity shall be forwarded by the state registrar to the mother as notification that the person has registered if the mother’s name and address are known.

**641—105.4(144) Change of address.** The person who files the declaration will be responsible to notify the state registrar in writing of any change in address.

**641—105.5(144) Fees.** There shall be no fee required to file the declaration.

There shall be a fee charged for searches of the registry and the fee shall be the same as the fee charged for searches of other vital records as established by IAC 641—96.4(144). After a search is completed and no declaration of paternity is on file, a written statement to that effect shall be provided to the person making the inquiry. The fee shall be retained for the search.

**641—105.6(144) Access to registry information.** The information shall not be divulged to any other person and shall be considered a confidential record as to any other person, except upon order of the court for good cause shown.

The department shall, upon request, provide the name, address, and social security number of a registrant to the following:

1. The biological mother of the child;
2. A court;
3. The department of human services, child support recovery unit, for an action to establish paternity or support.
4. The attorney of any party to an adoption, termination of parental rights, or establishment of paternity or support action.

If the registry has not received a declaration of paternity, the department shall provide a written statement to that effect to the person making the inquiry.

**641—105.7(144) Revocation.** Information provided to the registry may be revoked by the registrant by submission of a written statement provided by the department, signed and acknowledged by the registrant before a notary public. The statement shall include a declaration that to the best of the registrant’s

knowledge, the registrant is not the father of the named child or that paternity of the true father has been established. Revocation shall be deemed a nullity and the information provided by the registrant shall be expunged. Revocation is effective only following the birth of the child.

**641—105.8(144) Forms.** All forms for the declaration of paternity shall be available from the state registrar of vital records and the county registrar which is the clerk of the district court located in each county.

These rules are intended to implement 1994 Iowa Acts, chapter 1174.

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CHAPTER 106  
REPORTING OF TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY

**641—106.1(144) Definitions.**

*“Aggregate form”* means a compilation of the information received by the department on termination of pregnancies for each information item listed, with the exception of the report tracking number, the health care provider code, and any set of information for which the number is so small that the confidentiality of any person to whom the information relates may be compromised.

*“Health care provider”* means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 148C, 148D, 150, 150A, or 152 or any individual who provides medical services under the authorization of the licensee.

*“Inducing a termination of pregnancy”* means the use of any means to terminate the pregnancy of a woman known to be pregnant with the intent other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead fetus.

*“Spontaneous termination of pregnancy”* means occurrence of an unintended termination of pregnancy at any time during the period from conception to 20 weeks’ gestation and which is not a spontaneous termination of pregnancy at any time during the period from 20 weeks or greater which is reported to the department as a fetal death under this chapter.

**641—106.2(144) Report of termination of pregnancy.** A health care provider who initially identifies and diagnoses a spontaneous termination of pregnancy or who induces a termination of pregnancy shall file with the department a report for each termination. The health care provider shall make a good-faith effort to obtain all of the following information that is available with respect to each termination:

1. The confidential health care provider code as assigned by the department;
2. The report tracking number;
3. The maternal health services region of the Iowa department of public health, as designated as of July 1, 1997, in which the patient resides. If the patient resides in another state, the residence shall be reported as nonresident;
4. The race of the patient;
5. The age of the patient;
6. The marital status of the patient;
7. The educational level of the patient;
8. The number of previous pregnancies, live births, and spontaneous or induced termination of pregnancies;
9. The month and year in which the termination occurred;
10. The number of weeks since the patient’s last menstrual period and clinical estimate of gestation.

The health care provider who identifies a spontaneous or induced termination shall prepare the report on the standard form and forward to the state registrar on or before the tenth day of each calendar month all records for the preceding month. Reports shall be sent certified restricted mail to the Bureau of Vital Statistics. Termination reports shall be returned within 30 days of the date of occurrence. Forms shall be provided by the department.

**641—106.3(144) Confidentiality of released information.** The information shall be collected, reproduced, released, and disclosed in a manner which ensures the anonymity of the patient who experiences a termination of pregnancy, the health care provider who identifies and diagnoses or induces a termination of pregnancy, and the hospital, clinic, or other health facility in which a termination of pregnancy is identified and diagnosed or induced. The department may share information with federal public health officials for the purpose of securing federal funding or conducting public health research. However, in sharing the information, the department shall not relinquish control of the information, and any agreement entered into by the department with federal public health officials to share information shall prohibit the use, reproduction, release, or disclosure of the information by federal public health officials in a manner which violates this chapter. The department shall annually publish a demographic summary of the information obtained pursuant to this chapter, except that the department shall not

reproduce, release, or disclose any information obtained pursuant to this chapter which reveals the identity of any patient, health care provider, hospital, clinic, or other health facility, and shall ensure anonymity in the following ways:

**106.3(1)** The department may use information concerning the report tracking number or concerning the identity of a reporting health care provider, hospital, clinic, or other health facility only for purposes of information collection. The department shall not reproduce, release, or disclose this information for any purpose other than for use in annually publishing the demographic summary under this chapter.

**106.3(2)** The department shall enter the information, from any report of termination submitted, within 30 days of receipt of the report, and shall immediately destroy by shredding the report following entry of the information. However, entry of the information from a report shall not include any health care provider, hospital, clinic, or other health facility identification information including, but not limited to, the confidential health care provider code, as assigned by the department.

**106.3(3)** To protect confidentiality, the department shall limit release of information to release in an aggregate form which prevents identification of any individual patient, health care provider, hospital, clinic, or other health facility.

The department shall establish and use a methodology to provide a statistically verifiable basis for any determination of the aggregate level at which information may be released so that the confidentiality of any person is not compromised. The methodology shall consider both the counts of the events for each item of information and the population that could be represented.

**641—106.4(144) Confidentiality of reports submitted.** Reports, information, and records submitted and maintained pursuant to this chapter are strictly confidential and shall not be released or made public upon subpoena, search warrant, discovery proceedings, or by any other means.

**641—106.5(144) Provider codes.** The department shall assign a code to any health care provider who may be required to report a termination under this chapter. An application procedure shall not be required for assignment of a code to a health care provider.

A health care provider shall assign a report tracking number which enables the health care provider to access the patient's medical information without identifying the patient. The report tracking number shall be maintained by the provider for a period of six months after the end of the calendar year.

To ensure proper performance of the reporting requirements under this chapter, it is preferred that a health care provider who practices within a hospital, clinic, or other health facility authorize one staff person to fulfill the reporting requirements.

**641—106.6(144) Unlawful acts—punishment.** Any person who knowingly violates a provision of these rules is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

These rules are intended to implement 1997 Iowa Acts, Senate File 128.

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CHAPTER 107  
MUTUAL CONSENT VOLUNTARY ADOPTION REGISTRY

**641—107.1(78GA, HF497) Definitions.**

“*Adult*” means an individual who has reached the age of 18 years at the time of making application to the registry.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Sibling*” means one of two or more persons born of the same parents or, sometimes, having one parent in common; brother or sister.

**641—107.2(78GA, HF497) Eligibility.** The state registrar shall establish a mutual consent voluntary adoption registry through which adult adopted children, adult siblings and the biological parents of adult adoptees may register to obtain identifying information. All identifying information maintained in the registry is confidential. Any person who discloses such information in violation of Iowa law is subject to criminal penalties. All requests shall be completed on the form provided by the department.

**107.2(1)** The state registrar shall reveal the identity of the biological parent to the adult adopted child or the identity of the adult adopted child to the biological parent if the following conditions are met:

*a.* A biological parent has filed a completed request form and provided consent to the revelation of the biological parent’s identity to the adult adopted child, upon request of the adult adopted child; and

*b.* An adult adopted child has filed a completed request form and provided consent to the revelation of the identity of the adult adopted child to a biological parent, upon request of the biological parent.

**107.2(2)** The state registrar shall reveal the identity of the adult adopted child to an adult sibling and shall notify the parties involved that the requests have been matched, and disclose the identifying information to those parties if all of the following conditions are met:

*a.* An adult adopted child has filed a completed request form and provided consent to the revelation of the adult adopted child’s identity to an adult sibling;

*b.* The adult sibling has filed a completed request form and provided consent to the revelation of the identity of the adult sibling to the adult adopted child; and

*c.* The state registrar has been provided sufficient information to make the requested match.

**641—107.3(78GA, HF497) Exception.** If the adult adopted person has a sibling who is a minor and who has also been adopted, the state registrar shall not grant the request of either the adult adopted person or the biological parent to reveal the identities of the parties.

**641—107.4(78GA, HF497) Application.** Application forms shall be provided by the department and shall be the only application accepted for registration. The adult adoptee, adult sibling, and biological parent completing an application shall be responsible for updating the contact information required.

**641—107.5(78GA, HF497) Notification.** Notification of parties shall be initiated via telephone at which time address information shall be verified and written notice sent to the parties involved. Written notice shall be mailed via certified mail with return notification requested.

**641—107.6(78GA, HF497) Withdrawal.** A person who has filed a request or provided consent may withdraw the consent at any time prior to the release of any information by completing and filing a written withdrawal of consent statement on the form provided by the department.

**641—107.7(78GA, HF497) Fees.** The state registrar shall collect a fee of \$25 for the filing of a completed application for the registry. A fee of \$2 shall be charged for updating applicant information maintained in the registry.

These rules are intended to implement 1999 Iowa Acts, House File 497, section 19.

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CHAPTER 108  
Reserved



CHAPTER 109  
PRESCRIPTION DRUG DONATION REPOSITORY PROGRAM

**641—109.1(135M) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

*“Centralized repository”* means a distributor approved by the contractor and licensed pursuant to 657 IAC Chapter 17 that accepts donated drugs, conducts a safety inspection of the drugs, and ships the donated drugs to a local repository to be dispensed in compliance with this chapter and federal and state laws, rules and regulations.

*“Contractor”* means the third party approved by the department to implement and administer the prescription drug donation repository program.

*“Controlled substance”* means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 124.101.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Indigent”* means a person with an income that is below 200 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) as defined by the most recently revised poverty income guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*“Local repository”* means a pharmacy or medical facility that elects to accept and dispense donated drugs and that meets the eligibility requirements of rule 641—109.3(135M).

*“Medical facility”* means any of the following:

1. A physician’s office.
2. A hospital.
3. A health clinic.
4. A nonprofit health clinic, including a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(1)(2)(B); a rural health clinic as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(1)(1); and a nonprofit health clinic that provides medical care to patients who are indigent, uninsured, or underinsured.
5. A free clinic as defined in Iowa Code section 135.24.
6. A charitable organization as defined in Iowa Code section 135.24.
7. A nursing facility as defined in Iowa Code section 135C.1.

*“NDC #”* means the unique national drug code number that identifies a specific approved drug.

*“Nurse practitioner”* means an advanced registered nurse practitioner as defined in 655 IAC Chapter 7.

*“Pharmacist”* means a pharmacist as defined in Iowa Code section 155A.3.

*“Pharmacy”* means a pharmacy as defined in Iowa Code section 155A.3.

*“Physician”* means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Prescription drug”* means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 155A.3 and includes cancer drugs and antirejection drugs, but does not include controlled substances.

*“Supplies”* means the supplies necessary to administer the prescription drugs donated.

*“USP”* means United States Pharmacopoeia.

**641—109.2(135M) Purpose.** The overall purpose of this chapter is to establish administrative rules in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 135M relative to the following:

1. Requirements for medical facilities and pharmacies to accept and dispense donated prescription drugs and supplies.
2. Eligibility criteria for individuals to receive donated prescription drugs and supplies.

**641—109.3(135M) Eligibility criteria for program participation by medical facilities and pharmacies.**

**109.3(1)** To be eligible for participation in the prescription drug donation repository program, a medical facility or pharmacy shall be in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws, including laws applicable to the storage and distribution of drugs and the appropriate licensure standards, and shall hold active, nonrestricted, state-issued licenses or registrations in good standing.

**109.3(2)** Participation in the prescription drug donation repository program is voluntary.

**109.3(3)** A pharmacy or medical facility may elect to participate in the prescription drug donation repository program by providing, on a form prescribed by the department and available on the program's Web page, written notification to the centralized repository of all of the following:

*a.* The name, street address, and telephone number of the pharmacy or medical facility, and any state-issued license or registration number issued to the pharmacy or medical facility, including the name of the issuing agency.

*b.* The name and telephone number of the responsible pharmacist, physician or nurse practitioner who is employed by or under contract with the pharmacy or medical facility.

*c.* A statement, signed and dated by the responsible pharmacist, physician or nurse practitioner, indicating that the pharmacy or medical facility meets the eligibility requirements under this rule and shall comply with the requirements of this chapter.

**109.3(4)** Withdrawal from participation. A pharmacy or medical facility may withdraw from participation in the prescription drug donation repository program at any time by providing written notice to the centralized repository on a form prescribed by the department and available on the program's Web page.

**641—109.4(135M) Standards and procedures for accepting donated prescription drugs and supplies.**

**109.4(1)** Any individual who is 18 years of age or older may donate legally obtained prescription drugs or supplies to the centralized repository or a local repository if the drugs or supplies meet the requirements of this rule, as determined by a pharmacist who is employed by or under contract with a drug repository.

**109.4(2)** No drugs that require storage temperatures other than normal room temperature as specified by the manufacturer or United States Pharmacopoeia shall be donated or accepted as part of the prescription drug donation repository program. Drugs that require storage temperatures other than normal room temperature as specified by the manufacturer or USP shall not be donated or accepted because of the increased potential for these drugs to become adulterated. Excluded from this restriction are drugs donated directly from a drug manufacturer.

**109.4(3)** Controlled substances shall not be donated or accepted. Pursuant to federal and state laws, a controlled substance cannot be returned or reused once the drug has been dispensed to a patient.

**109.4(4)** The centralized repository or a local repository may accept a prescription drug only if all of the following requirements are met:

*a.* The drug is in its original sealed and tamper-evident packaging. However, a drug in a single-unit dose or blister pack with the outside packaging opened may be accepted if the single-unit-dose packaging is undisturbed;

*b.* The drug has been stored according to manufacturer or USP storage requirements;

*c.* The packaging contains the lot number and expiration date of the drug. If the lot number is not retrievable, all specified medications will be destroyed in the event of a recall, pursuant to Iowa board of pharmacy rules;

*d.* The drug has an expiration date that is more than six months after the date that the drug was donated;

*e.* The drug does not have any physical signs of tampering or adulteration, and there is no reason to believe that the drug is adulterated;

*f.* The packaging does not have any physical signs of tampering, misbranding, deterioration, compromised integrity or adulteration; and

*g.* All drugs shall be inventoried at the centralized repository or a local repository. The inventory shall include the name of the drug, strength of the drug, quantity of the drug, and the date of donation if the drug has been continually under the control of a health care professional. If the drug has not been continually under the control of a health care professional, the repository shall collect a donation form provided by the prescription drug donation repository program that is signed by the person making the donation or that person's authorized representative.



**109.4(5)** A repository may accept supplies necessary to administer the prescription drugs donated only if all of the following requirements are met:

- a. The supplies are in their original, unopened, sealed packaging;
- b. The supplies are not adulterated or misbranded; and
- c. All supplies shall be inventoried at the centralized repository or a local repository. The inventory shall include a description of the supplies and the date donated. Such inventory shall be recorded on a form provided by the prescription drug donation repository program.

**109.4(6)** Drugs and supplies may be donated on the premises of a participating centralized repository or a local repository to a person designated by the repository. A drop box may not be used to deliver or accept donations.

**641—109.5(135M) Standards and procedures for inspecting and storing donated prescription drugs and supplies.**

**109.5(1)** A licensed pharmacist employed by or under contract with the centralized repository or a local repository shall inspect donated prescription drugs and supplies to determine, to the extent reasonably possible in the judgment of the pharmacist, that the drugs and supplies are not adulterated or misbranded, are safe and suitable for dispensing, and are not ineligible drugs or supplies. The pharmacist who inspects the drugs shall sign an inspection record stating the above and attach it to the copy of the inventory or donor record provided with the drugs. If a local repository receives drugs and supplies from the centralized repository, the local repository does not need to reinspect the drugs and supplies.

**109.5(2)** The centralized repository and local repositories shall store donated drugs and supplies in a secure storage area under environmental conditions appropriate for the drugs or supplies being stored. Donated drugs and supplies may not be stored with nondonated inventory. When donated drugs are not inspected immediately upon receipt, a repository shall quarantine the donated drugs separately from all dispensing stock until the donated drugs have been inspected and approved for dispensing under the program.

**109.5(3)** Repositories shall destroy donated noncontrolled substances that are not suitable for dispensing and make a record of such destruction according to board of pharmacy rule 657—8.8(124,155A). The destruction record shall be made in the same manner as prescribed for the record of return or destruction of a controlled substance in subrule 109.5(4).

**109.5(4)** Controlled substances shall not be accepted for donation.

a. Controlled substances submitted for donation shall be documented and returned immediately to the donor or the donor's representative that provided the drugs.

b. In the event controlled substances enter the centralized repository or a local repository and it is not possible or practicable to return the controlled substances to the donor or the donor's representative due to inability to identify the donor or the donor's representative or due to refusal by the donor or the donor's representative to receive them, abandoned controlled substances shall be documented and destroyed beyond reclamation pursuant to rules of the board of pharmacy examiners. Such destruction shall be performed by a pharmacist or other person that has authority to dispense controlled substances and shall be witnessed by another responsible adult employee of the repository.

**109.5(5)** If a repository receives a recall notification, the repository shall perform a uniform destruction of all of the recalled prescription drugs in the repository and complete the destruction information form for all donated drugs destroyed. If a recalled drug has been dispensed, the repository shall immediately notify the recipient of the recalled drug pursuant to established drug recall procedures.

**641—109.6(135M) Standards and procedures for dispensing donated prescription drugs and supplies.**

**109.6(1)** Donated drugs and supplies may be dispensed only if the drugs or supplies are prescribed by a health care practitioner for use by an eligible individual and are dispensed by a licensed pharmacist, physician or nurse practitioner.

**109.6(2)** A repository shall prioritize dispensing to an individual requesting drugs through the program as follows:

- a.* First, to an indigent individual;
- b.* Second, to an individual who has no active third-party prescription drug reimbursement coverage for the drug prescribed; and
- c.* Third, to any other individual if an indigent or uninsured individual is unavailable.

**109.6(3)** A repository shall dispense donated prescription drugs in compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations for dispensing prescription drugs, including all requirements relating to packaging, labeling, record keeping, drug utilization review, and patient counseling.

**109.6(4)** The centralized repository and a local repository shall remove the original donor's identification and the name of the dispensing pharmacy from the package prior to dispensing the drugs or supplies.

**109.6(5)** The centralized repository and a local repository shall be responsible for drug recalls and shall have an established mechanism to notify recipients in the event of a drug recall.

**109.6(6)** Prescription drugs or supplies donated under this program shall not be resold.

**109.6(7)** The participating centralized repository and local repositories may distribute drugs and supplies donated under this program to other participating repositories for use pursuant to the program. The repository distributing the drugs or supplies shall complete a transfer form.

**641—109.7(135M) Eligibility criteria for individuals to receive donated prescription drugs and supplies.**

**109.7(1)** An individual who requests drugs from the prescription drug donation repository program shall certify to the repository that the individual is a resident of Iowa and meets one or both of the following criteria:

- a.* Is indigent;
- b.* Has no active third-party prescription drug reimbursement coverage for the drug prescribed.

**109.7(2)** The repository shall collect a signed intake form provided by the department or its contractor from each individual recipient.

*a.* The intake form shall attest that:

- (1) The individual is a resident of the state of Iowa;
- (2) The individual's income does not exceed 200 percent of the FPL;
- (3) The individual is uninsured and has no prescription coverage or is underinsured and has no prescription coverage;
- (4) The individual acknowledges that the drugs may have been donated; and
- (5) The individual consents to a waiver of the requirement for child resistant packaging of the Poison Prevention Packaging Act.

*b.* The intake form will include a receipt to be given to the recipient for continued use for one year.

**109.7(3)** The receipt is valid for one year or until the new federal poverty guidelines have been published for all prescriptions and supplies.

**109.7(4)** A copy of the intake form is to be sent via regular mail, E-mail or facsimile to the centralized repository for data collection.

**641—109.8(135M) Forms and record keeping.**

**109.8(1)** The following forms developed for the administration of this program shall be utilized by participants of the program and are available on the program's Web page on the department's Web site, [www.idph.state.ia.us](http://www.idph.state.ia.us).

- a.* Prescription drug donation repository program notice of participation or withdrawal.
- b.* Prescription drug donation repository program donation, transfer, inventory or destruction record.
- c.* Prescription drug donation repository program recipient intake form and identification card.
- d.* A record of medications dispensed.

**109.8(2)** Record-keeping requirements.

*a.* All records required to be maintained as a part of the prescription drug donation repository program shall be maintained for a minimum of five years by participating pharmacies and medical facilities.

*b.* Records required as part of this program shall be maintained pursuant to all current applicable practice acts.

*c.* Data collected by the prescription drug donation repository program from all participating repositories shall be submitted quarterly or upon request to the centralized repository. The data will consist of the information collected in accordance with 641—109.8(135M), Forms and record keeping.

*d.* The centralized repository and the contractor shall submit reports to the department as required by the contract or upon request of the department.

**641—109.9(135M) Handling fee.** A repository may charge the recipient of a donated drug a handling fee, not to exceed a maximum of 200 percent of the Medicaid professional dispensing fee as established by rule of the department of human services, to cover stocking and dispensing costs. A prescription drug dispensed through the prescription drug donation repository program shall not be eligible for reimbursement under the medical assistance program.

**641—109.10(135M) List of drugs and supplies program will accept.** All prescription drugs, excluding controlled substances, that have been approved for medical use in the United States, that are listed in the USP or National Formulary (USP/NF), and that meet the criteria for donation established by these rules may be accepted for donation under the prescription drug donation repository program.

**641—109.11(135M) Exemption from disciplinary action, civil liability and criminal prosecution.**

**109.11(1)** A drug manufacturer acting reasonably and in good faith is not subject to criminal prosecution or civil liability for injury, death, or loss to a person or property for matters related to the donation, acceptance, or dispensing of a prescription drug manufactured by the drug manufacturer that is donated under this chapter, including liability for failure to transfer or communicate product or consumer information or the expiration date of the donated prescription drug.

**109.11(2)** Except as provided in subrule 109.11(3), a person other than a drug manufacturer subject to subrule 109.11(1), acting reasonably and in good faith, is immune from civil liability and criminal prosecution for injury to or the death of an individual to whom a donated prescription drug is dispensed under this chapter and shall be exempt from disciplinary action related to the person's acts or omissions related to the donation, acceptance, distribution, or dispensing of a donated prescription drug under this chapter.

**109.11(3)** The immunity and exemption provided in subrule 109.11(2) does not extend to any of the following:

*a.* The donation, acceptance, distribution, or dispensing of a donated prescription drug under this chapter by a person if the person's acts or omissions are not performed reasonably and in good faith.

*b.* Acts or omissions outside the scope of the program.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 135M.

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CHAPTER 110  
CENTER FOR RURAL HEALTH  
AND PRIMARY CARE

**641—110.1(135) Purpose and scope.** The following rules developed by the department of public health govern the organization of the center for rural health and primary care within the bureau of health delivery systems of the department of public health.

**641—110.2(135) Definitions.**

*“Area health education center (AHEC)”* means the linking of university health centers with community-based delivery systems in order to improve delivery of health care.

*“Center for rural health and primary care”* means the department of public health administrative entity that is responsible for provision of technical planning assistance to rural communities and counties, administration of a comprehensive primary care provider recruitment and retention endeavor, coordination of services to provide research of rural occupational health injuries and hazards, and coordination with the following: the center for agricultural health and safety, the center for health effects of environmental contamination, and the department of agriculture and land stewardship.

*“Center for rural health and primary care advisory committee”* means a group of individuals appointed by the governor, department directors and the Iowa legislature whose purpose is to provide advice and make recommendations on rural health issues to the center for rural health and primary care, department of public health.

*“Community grant program”* means a program that provides assistance in the form of a forgivable loan, grant, or other nonfinancial assistance to communities, to support the effort of a community which is part of the community’s long-term community health services assessment and developmental plan.

*“Community health services assessment and developmental plan”* means a comprehensive health services assessment and plan which has been developed through a community-wide collaborative effort of public and private entities, including citizens at large, located in rural communities.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the department of public health.

*“Primary care collaborative work group”* means a group of individuals who, at a minimum, represent the following entities, who are responsible for coordination of all statewide recruitment and retention activities and for recommendations related to the implementation of the primary care provider recruitment and retention endeavor (PRIMECARRE): University of Iowa college of medicine, University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences, University of Iowa physician assistant school, University of Iowa nurse practitioner school, University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences physician assistant program, Iowa-Nebraska primary care association, Iowa medical society, Iowa osteopathic medical association, Iowa chapter of American college of osteopathic family physicians, Iowa academy of family physicians, nurse practitioner association, Iowa nurses association, Iowa hospital association, and Iowa physician assistants association.

*“Primary care health professional”* means an individual who is providing primary health services, and is licensed to practice in the state of Iowa.

*“Primary care provider community scholarship program”* means a scholarship program that provides obligated-service scholarships to eligible health professional students for qualifying educational expenses incurred to obtain the credentials in that profession in return for providing primary care services in health professional shortage areas in the state.

*“Primary care provider loan repayment program”* means a loan repayment for qualifying loans to eligible health professionals who choose to establish practices in designated health professional shortage areas of the state.

*“Primary care provider recruitment and retention endeavor (PRIMECARRE)”* means a comprehensive primary health care initiative to promote and assist local efforts in developing health care provider recruitment and retention programs, and which includes a community grant program, a

primary care provider loan repayment program, primary care provider community scholarships, and area health education centers.

*“Primary health services”* means health services regarding family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, dentistry, or mental health that are provided by physicians or other health professionals.

**641—110.3(135) Responsibilities of the center.**

**110.3(1)** The center for rural health and primary care shall provide technical planning assistance to rural communities and counties exploring innovative means of delivering rural health services through community health services assessment, planning, and implementation, including but not limited to hospital conversions, cooperative agreements among hospitals, physician and health practitioner support, recruitment and retention of primary health care providers, public health services, emergency medical services, medical assistance facilities, rural health care clinics, and alternative means which may be included in the long-term community health services assessment and developmental plan.

**110.3(2)** The center for rural health and primary care shall encourage collaborative efforts of the local boards of health, hospital governing boards, and other public and private entities located in rural communities to adopt a long-term community health services assessment and developmental plan.

**110.3(3)** The center for rural health and primary care shall provide technical assistance to assist rural communities in improving Medicare reimbursements or establishing additional sources of funding through initiatives such as rural health clinics, distinct part skilled nursing facility beds, and the swing-bed program.

**110.3(4)** The center for rural health and primary care shall coordinate services to provide research for the following:

- a. Examination of the prevalence of rural occupational health injuries in the state.
- b. Assessment of training and continuing education available through local hospitals and others relating to diagnosis and treatment of diseases associated with rural occupational health hazards.
- c. Determination of continuing education support necessary for rural health practitioners to diagnose and treat illnesses caused by exposure to rural occupational health hazards.
- d. Determination of the types of actions that can help prevent agricultural accidents, surveillance and reporting of disabilities suffered by persons engaged in agricultural-related injuries and diseases in the state.
- e. Identifying causal factors associated with agricultural-related injuries and diseases, and indicating the effectiveness of intervention programs designed to reduce injuries and diseases.
- f. Cooperation with the center for agricultural health and safety, the center for health effects of environmental contamination and the department of agriculture and land stewardship, to coordinate programs to the extent practicable.

**110.3(5)** The center for rural health and primary care shall administer grants for farm safety education efforts directed to rural families for the purpose of preventing farm-related injuries to children.

**110.3(6)** The center for rural health and primary care shall administer a primary care provider recruitment and retention endeavor (PRIMECARRE).

**110.3(7)** The department of public health shall, in cooperation with the primary care collaborative work group, coordinate the initiative for the development of area health education centers, including making application for a federal grant.

**641—110.4(135) Advisory committee to the center for rural health and primary care.**

**110.4(1)** The purpose of the advisory committee is to provide advice and make recommendations on rural health issues to the center for rural health and primary care, department of public health.

**110.4(2)** The advisory committee will provide the expertise and technical assistance necessary to review and recommend policies pertinent to rural health issues, as well as guidelines for grants and other programs of the center for rural health and primary care.

**110.4(3)** The advisory committee will review reports prepared for the general assembly and make recommendations regarding the reports compiled.

**110.4(4)** The advisory committee will evaluate new care delivery concepts arising to meet the needs of the rural population.

**641—110.5(135) Organization.** The advisory committee to the center for rural health and primary care shall consist of one representative, approved by the respective agency, of each of the following agencies: the department of agriculture and land stewardship, the Iowa department of public health, the department of inspections and appeals, the national institute for rural health policy, the social and behavioral research center for rural health, the institute of agricultural medicine and occupational health, and the Iowa state association of counties. The governor shall appoint two representatives of consumer groups active in rural health issues and a representative of each of two farm organizations active within the state, a representative of an agricultural business in the state, a practicing rural family physician, a practicing rural physician assistant, a practicing rural advanced registered nurse practitioner, and a rural health practitioner who is not a physician, physician assistant, or advanced registered nurse practitioner, as members of the advisory committee. The advisory committee shall also include as members two state representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one by the minority leader of the house, and two state senators, one appointed by the majority leader of the senate and one by the minority leader of the senate.

**641—110.6(135) Meetings.**

**110.6(1) Meeting dates.** The advisory committee shall meet at least quarterly to conduct its business. Meetings can be scheduled as business requires, but notice to committee members must be at least five working days prior to the meeting date. The administrative head of the center for rural health and primary care shall attend these meetings.

**110.6(2) Meeting procedures.** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern at all meetings.

**110.6(3) Quorum.** A majority of the total membership shall constitute a quorum. Action can be taken by a vote of the majority of the membership.

**110.6(4) Vacancies.** Vacancies will be filled in the same manner as was prescribed in the Code of Iowa. In the case of a vacancy the chairperson will notify the agency of the need to appoint another representative.

**110.6(5) Term of appointment.** Unless otherwise specified by law, term of appointment is for two years with no more than three consecutive terms, excepting the department of public health representative. Exceptions for individual reappointment from organizations represented shall be determined by the director of public health.

**110.6(6) Subcommittees.** The advisory committee for the center for rural health and primary care may designate one or more subcommittees to have such powers and perform such duties as may be deemed necessary by the committee.

**641—110.7 to 110.10** Reserved.

PRIMECARRE COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

**641—110.11(135) Purpose.** The purpose of the PRIMECARRE community grant program is to support community efforts which are part of the community's long-term community health services assessment and developmental plan. A community or region applying for assistance must complete a community health services assessment and adopt a long-term developmental plan. The community may request assistance with the assessment from the center for rural health and primary care. The long-term developmental plan shall include a clear commitment to informing high school students of the health care opportunities which may be available to such students. The grant assistance may be in the form of a forgivable loan, grant, or other nonfinancial assistance as deemed appropriate by the center for rural health and primary care. Grants or other assistance provided by the center are intended to promote and accommodate local creativity in efforts to recruit and retain health care professionals to provide services in the locality. Notice of the availability of these public funds shall be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.11(1) Eligibility.** The following requirements must be met in order to be eligible for the program:

- a. The applicant must be a single community with a population of 10,000 or less, or a region consisting of communities with populations of 10,000 or less, respectively.
- b. The community or region must have illustrated efforts to meet the health care provider needs of the locality and surrounding area.
- c. The community or region must have completed a community health services assessment and adopted a long-term developmental plan as established herein.
- d. A letter of intent must be submitted by January 1 preceding the year for which application for assistance is to be made.

**110.11(2) Funding limitations.** Grants awarded under the program shall be subject to the following limitations:

- a. An award of no more than \$10,000 for a single community or region with a population of 10,000 or less.
- b. An award of no more than \$1 per capita for a region in which the population exceeds 10,000.

**110.11(3) Use of funds.** Funds may be used for the following:

- a. The procurement of clinical equipment, clinical facilities, and telecommunications facilities.
- b. Support for locum tenens arrangements and primary care provider mentor programs.
- c. Other capacity-building activities as they relate to recruitment and retention of primary health care providers.

**110.11(4) Matching requirements.** Applications submitted shall contain a commitment of at least a dollar-for-dollar match of the grant assistance.

**110.11(5) Application process.** Applicants for grant funds must complete application forms provided by the department. Application materials shall be made available by the department at least 45 days prior to the application due date. Grant applications will be issued in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.11(6) Selection criteria and review process.** Selection criteria will be based on illustrated efforts to meet the health care provider needs of the locality and surrounding area. Selection criteria and the process for evaluation of applications shall be described in the application materials provided by the department. A competitive grant application review committee shall be appointed by the administrative head of the center for rural health and primary care. Grants will be awarded according to review criteria developed by the center, in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.11(7) Notice of grant award.** The director of public health shall notify all applicants in writing of the decision of grant awards.

**110.11(8) Appeals.** Applicants with a denied request for funding may appeal the decision of grant awards. The appeal shall be made in writing to the director, Iowa department of public health, within 10 days of the notification date of the grant awards decision. The appeal shall be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The decision of the director of public health becomes the department's final action and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within 14 days of the receipt of the appeal.

**110.11(9) Grantee oversight.** The department shall monitor the use of funds granted to communities to ensure accountability and conformance with legislative intent. Oversight processes shall be described in the application materials provided by the department.

**641—110.12 to 110.15** Reserved.

PRIMECARRE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER  
COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**641—110.16(135) Purpose.** A primary care provider community scholarship program is established to recruit and to provide scholarships to train primary health care practitioners in federally designated health professional shortage areas of the state. If sufficient state funds are available, applications will be considered for scholarship placement in communities not located in federally designated shortage areas. Under the program, scholarships may be awarded to a recipient for educational expenses incurred



while completing an accredited health education program directly related to obtaining the credentials necessary to practice the recipient's health profession. Notice of the availability of these public funds shall be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.16(1) *Student eligibility.*** The following requirements must be met by students in order to be eligible for the program:

*a.* The status of the student's citizenship must meet requirements of the National Health Service Corps scholarship program.

*b.* The student must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a student in an accredited primary care health professions program, and meet eligibility requirements of Section 338A of the Public Health Service Act as amended November 16, 1990, by Public Law 101-597.

*c.* The student must agree, while enrolled in a health professional school, to maintain an acceptable level of academic standing as determined by the school.

*d.* The student must agree to meet educational and licensure requirements necessary to become a licensed primary care health professional in the state.

*e.* The student must agree to provide full-time primary health care services in a designated shortage area in the state for the minimum number of years required by federal programs providing funding support for the program.

*f.* The student must agree not to discriminate on the basis of the ability of the individual to pay for such care or on the basis that payment for such care will be made pursuant to the program established in Title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, or pursuant to the program established in Title XIX (Medicaid) of such Act.

*g.* The student must agree to accept assignment under Section 1842(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Social Security Act for all services for which payment may be made under Part B of Title XVIII and agree to enter into an appropriate agreement with the state agency that administers the state plan for medical assistance under Title XIX of such Act to provide service to individuals entitled to medical assistance under the plan.

*h.* The student must complete an application form provided by the Iowa department of public health.

**110.16(2) *Site eligibility.*** The following requirements must be met, in order for a site to be eligible for placement of PRIMECARRE scholars:

*a.* The site must be located in a designated health professional shortage area in the state.

*b.* The site must agree to accept Medicare/Medicaid assignment.

*c.* The site must have a sliding fee schedule in place that is based upon the ability to pay.

*d.* The site must have completed a community health services assessment and adopted a long-term developmental plan.

*e.* The site must be part of a system of care. For the purpose of receiving federal assistance, a system of care is defined as a service continuum that includes comprehensive primary care for all regardless of ability to pay, and appropriate arrangements for secondary and tertiary care, including a referral system and arrangements for call coverage.

*f.* The site must complete an application form provided by the department.

*g.* The site must agree to report to the department those health professionals unable to fulfill the contract.

*h.* The site must meet matching funds requirements consistent with current federal requirements.

**110.16(3) *Federal grant requirements.*** Use of federal grant dollars for scholarships requires that eligibility be determined as authorized by federal grant requirements.

**110.16(4) *Funding limitations.*** Scholarships awarded under this program shall be determined annually, based upon the legislative appropriation for the PRIMECARRE initiative and other sources of funds.

**110.16(5) *Other sources of funds.*** The department of public health shall seek participation in federal programs supporting scholarships for health care providers and shall accept gifts, grants, and other aid or amounts from any person, association, foundation, trust, corporation, governmental agency, or other entity for the purposes of the program.

**110.16(6) *Review process.*** The department of public health shall establish a review committee which will review all community applications and make recommendations for scholarship awards. The department shall provide the review committee with a methodology for prioritization of federal shortage areas and eligible nonfederal shortage areas to be utilized in the application review process. The department of public health shall provide the review committee with the criteria and scoring methodology to be used in reviewing the applications, in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.16(7) *Contract oversight and administration.*** The department of public health shall establish and enforce the terms of the contract, including implementation of any methods, including legal action, that may be necessary to recoup scholarship funds in the event of failure on the part of an individual scholarship recipient to fulfill the terms and conditions of the contract. The department shall take into consideration mitigating circumstances which may prohibit a recipient from fulfilling the recipient's contractual obligation or for whom fulfilling the obligation would cause undue hardship. The department of public health shall also provide for cancellation of contracts for reasonable cause to be determined by the department.

**110.16(8) *Appeals.*** A community with a denied request for funding may appeal the decision of scholarship awards. The appeal shall be made in writing to the director, Iowa department of public health, within 10 days of the notification date of the grant awards decision. The appeal shall be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The decision of the director of public health becomes the department's final action and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within 14 days of the receipt of the appeal.

**641—110.17 to 110.20** Reserved.

PRIMECARRE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

**641—110.21(135) Purpose.** A primary care provider loan repayment program is established to increase the number of health professionals practicing primary care in federally designated health professional shortage areas of the state. If sufficient state funds are available, applications will be considered for loan repayment for primary care providers practicing in communities not located in federally designated shortage areas. Under the program, loan repayment may be made to a recipient for educational loans incurred while completing an accredited health education program directly related to obtaining credentials necessary to practice the recipient's health profession. Notice of the availability of these public funds shall be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 641—Chapter 176.

**110.21(1) *Health care professional eligibility.*** The following requirements must be met by health care professionals in order to be eligible for the program:

*a.* The status of the health care professional's citizenship must meet requirements of the National Health Service Corps loan repayment program.

*b.* The health care professional must be licensed or certified to practice in the state of Iowa as a primary care health professional as defined in 110.2(135) and approved by the state for purposes of program priorities and requirements. Physicians must have completed a primary care residency and be board-eligible or board-certified.

*c.* The health care provider must possess evidence of a contractual agreement to practice full-time at a site in a designated shortage area within the state and approved by the state for the minimum number of years required by federal programs providing support for the program.

*d.* The health care provider must agree to comply with all contract provisions and the rules and regulations as promulgated by the department.

*e.* The health care provider must possess a license that is not restricted by a medical regulatory authority of any jurisdiction of the United States, other nations, or territories.

*f.* The health care professional must be eligible under Section 338B of the Public Health Service Act as amended November 16, 1990, by Public Law 101-597.

g. The health care provider must agree to provide full-time primary health care services at a clinical site in a designated health professional shortage area.

h. The health care provider must agree not to discriminate on the basis of the ability of the individual to pay for such care or on the basis that payment for such care will be made pursuant to the program established in Title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, or pursuant to the program established in Title XIX (Medicaid) of such Act.

i. The health care provider must agree to accept assignment under Section 1842(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Social Security Act for all services for which payment may be made under Part B of Title XVIII and to enter into an appropriate agreement with the state agency that administers the state plan for medical assistance under Title XIX of such Act to provide service to individuals entitled to medical assistance under the plan.

j. The health care provider must complete an application form provided by the Iowa department of public health.

**110.21(2) *Site eligibility.*** The following requirements must be met in order to be eligible for placement of a health professional qualified under the PRIMECARRE loan repayment program:

a. The site must be located in a designated health professional shortage area in the state.

b. The site must agree to accept Medicare/Medicaid assignment.

c. The site must have a sliding fee schedule in place that is based upon the ability to pay.

d. The site must have completed a community health services assessment and adopted a long-term developmental plan.

e. The site must be part of a system of care. For the purpose of receiving federal assistance, a system of care is defined as a service continuum that includes comprehensive primary care for all regardless of ability to pay, and appropriate arrangements for secondary and tertiary care, including a referral system and arrangements for call coverage.

f. The site must complete an application form provided by the department.

g. The site must agree to report to the department those individuals unable to fulfill the contract.

**110.21(3) *Federal grant requirements.*** Use of federal grant dollars for loan repayment contracts requires that eligibility be determined as authorized by federal grant requirements.

**110.21(4) *Funding limitations.*** Loan repayment contracts provided under this program shall be determined annually, based upon the legislative appropriation for the PRIMECARRE initiative and other sources of funds.

**110.21(5) *Other sources of funds.*** The department of public health shall seek participation in federal programs supporting repayment of loans of health care providers and acceptance of gifts, grants, and other aid or amounts from any person, association, foundation, trust, corporation, governmental agency, or other entity for the purposes of the program.

**110.21(6) *Review process.*** The department of public health shall establish a review committee which will review all applications and make recommendations for loan repayment contracts. The department shall provide the review committee with a methodology for prioritization of federal shortage areas and eligible nonfederal shortage areas to be utilized in the application review process. The department shall provide the review committee with the criteria and scoring methodology to be used in reviewing the applications, in accordance with 641—Chapter 176. Evaluation criteria will include the applicant's outstanding educational loans and professional credentials.

**110.21(7) *Contract oversight and administration.*** The department of public health shall establish and enforce the terms of the contract, including implementation of any methods, e.g., legal action, that may be necessary to recoup loan repayment funds in the event of failure on the part of a program recipient to fulfill the terms and conditions of the contract. The department shall take into consideration mitigating circumstances which may prohibit a recipient from fulfilling the recipient's contractual obligation or for whom fulfilling the obligation would cause undue hardship. The department of public health shall also provide for cancellation of contracts for reasonable cause to be determined by the department.

**110.21(8) *Appeals.*** Applicants with a denied request for loan repayment funding may appeal the decision of loan repayment awards. The appeal shall be made in writing to the director, Iowa department of public health, within 10 days of the notification date of the loan repayment awards decision. The appeal

shall be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The decision of the director of public health becomes the department's final action and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within 14 days of the receipt of the appeal.

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CHAPTER 111  
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE PATIENTS  
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CHAPTER 112  
BIOLOGICAL AGENT RISK ASSESSMENT

**641—112.1(135) Purpose.** The purpose of a statewide biological agent risk assessment is to protect the citizens of Iowa from exposure to biological agents which are or have the potential to be biological weapons. In order to protect the public health, the department is charged with identifying sources, locations, safety and security of select biological agents.

**641—112.2(135) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Biological agent”* means any microorganism (including bacteria, viruses, fungi, rickettsiae or protozoa), pathogen, or infectious substance, toxin, or any naturally occurring, bioengineered or synthesized component of any such microorganism, pathogen or infectious substance, whatever its origin or method of production.

*“Biosecurity council”* or *“council”* means a council established by the director to advise the department on biosecurity issues and to recommend guidelines to protect the citizens of Iowa from exposure to select biological agents.

*“CDC”* means the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“DOJ”* means the federal Department of Justice.

*“EMD”* means the emergency management division of the department of public defense.

*“FBI”* means Federal Bureau of Investigation.

*“HHS”* means the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

*“Laboratory”* means a facility for the examination of biological, microbiological, serological, chemical, immunohematological, hematological, biophysical, cytological or pathological materials or other materials derived from humans, animals, or plants to provide information for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of any disease or impairment of, or for the assessment of the health of, humans, animals, or plants.

*“Lethality”* or *“L”* means the relative power and degree of pathogenicity possessed by organisms to produce disease.

*“Select biological agent”* means a biological agent identified by the director, upon recommendation from the biosecurity council, for heightened monitoring and security, including but not limited to any biological agent that is listed as a Category A, B, or C biological agent by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, any agent identified as a select agent in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Part 72, Appendix A, and any biological agent identified by the United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases as appropriate for a heightened level of monitoring and security.

*“Suitability”* or *“S”* means suitability for weaponization.

*“Transmissibility”* or *“T”* means degree of contagion.

*“USAMRIID”* means the United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases.

*“Weaponization”* means manipulation of a biological agent to increase the potential for use as a weapon.

**641—112.3(135) Biosecurity council established.** The director shall appoint a biosecurity council to advise the department on biosecurity issues and to recommend guidelines to protect the citizens of Iowa from exposure to select biological agents.

**112.3(1)** The council shall, at a minimum, consist of the following members:

- a. The director of the department of public health;
- b. The governor’s homeland security advisor;
- c. The director of the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory;
- d. A representative from the FBI as made available by the director of the FBI or a representative of the U.S. Secret Service as made available by the director of the U.S. Secret Service;
- e. A representative appointed by the Iowa adjutant general;

- f.* A representative from the Iowa attorney general's office;
- g.* The medical director of the department of public health;
- h.* The executive director of the office of disease epidemiology and disaster preparedness, department of public health;
- i.* A microbiologist at the master's or doctorate level who has expertise in human microbiology;
- j.* A microbiologist at the master's or doctorate level who has expertise in zoonosis;
- k.* A biological safety professional; and
- l.* The emergency management division administrator.

**112.3(2)** The council shall make recommendations to the department on classification of select biological agents, select biological agent risk assessment guidelines, and security guidelines.

**112.3(3)** Security guidelines shall be consistent with applicable state and federal laws, including but not limited to specific antiterrorism regulations of HHS and DOJ.

**641—112.4(135) Biological agent risk assessment.**

**112.4(1) Questionnaire.**

*a. Duty to complete and submit.* Any laboratory, clinic, research facility, commercial enterprise, or other entity which possesses select biological agents shall complete and submit to EMD a biological agent risk assessment questionnaire on an annual basis or more frequently as requested by EMD. The questionnaire shall identify the select biological agents possessed and shall contain such other information as required by the department and EMD.

*b. Purpose and use.* The questionnaires shall be used in the development of the critical asset protection plan prepared pursuant to Iowa Code section 29C.8. EMD shall provide the department with the completed questionnaires for the purpose of preparing relevant security guidelines. The department shall not disseminate the information contained in the questionnaires.

**112.4(2) Assessment criteria.** The criteria for assessing the risk of a select biological agent shall be based on, but not limited to, current CDC guidelines, recommendations from USAMRIID, recommendations from the biosecurity council, and this subrule. The biosecurity council may modify the criteria based on new scientific information, treatments, or public perceptions, or any combination thereof.

*a. Biological agent rating criteria.* Biological agents shall be rated by the department based on the following three categories:

- (1) Transmissibility (T). 0 = nontransmissible, 1 = transmissible only by injection, sexual interface or bite, 2 = transmissible by ingestion, 3 = transmissible by air or touch.
- (2) Lethality (L). 0 = nonlethal, 1 = 0-25 percent mortality, 2 = 26-50 percent mortality, 3 = 51-100 percent mortality.
- (3) Suitability for or degree of weaponization (S). 0 = not suitable, 1 = suitable but not modified, 2 = modified for antibiotic resistance or improved environmental resilience, 3 = modified and packaged for effective delivery on a mass scale.

*b.* The final rating for a biological agent is determined by adding the score the biological agent received in each of the three categories (T + L + S = biological agent rating).

**112.4(3) On-site examination.**

*a. Notification.* The department or its designee may conduct an on-site examination of any premises containing select biological agents. Prior to conducting the on-site examination, the department shall notify the owner or person in charge of the premises.

- b. Examination.* An on-site examination shall include each of the following components:
- (1) A review of laboratory safety and security policies and procedures;
  - (2) A review of external and internal access to the premises;
  - (3) A review of access controls to areas where select biological agents are used and stored;
  - (4) A review of employee, student and visitor access to the premises, including the identification required to access the premises and the method of recording access to the premises;
  - (5) A review of background and security clearance measures implemented;
  - (6) A review of the screening process for packages brought into or taken out of the premises;



- (7) A review of the emergency plan;
- (8) A review of appropriate biocontainment within a laboratory;
- (9) A review of the training and knowledge of research staff;
- (10) A review of the process for reporting and investigating breach-of-security incidents;
- (11) A review of disposal procedures; and
- (12) A tour of the premises to view access security, select biological agent locations, storage, inventory, records, coding and database procedures.

*c. Administrative search warrant.* If the owner or person in charge of the premises refuses the department's employee or designee admittance or if the department's employee or designee is not permitted to conduct a full examination, the department may obtain an administrative search warrant under Iowa Code section 808.14.

**112.4(4) Security guidelines.** After a biological agent risk assessment questionnaire has been completed and the on-site examination has been conducted, the department shall provide the entity with a biological agent risk assessment report and security guidelines. A select biological agent which is listed as a CDC Category A biological agent or as determined by the biosecurity council shall be maintained in accordance with maximum security guidelines as established by the biosecurity council and the director.

**112.4(5) Confidentiality.** The biological agent risk assessment questionnaire, the biological agent risk report and security guidelines, and any other information if it relates to the imminent threat of death, disease, biological malfunction in a human, animal, plant or other living thing, deterioration of food, water, equipment, supplies, or a deleterious alteration of the environment provided to or by EMD or the department pursuant to this chapter may be considered critical asset protection plan information and may be maintained as confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7(43).

**641—112.5(135) Requests for biological agent information.** A laboratory, clinic, research facility, commercial enterprise, or other entity which possesses select biological agents shall respond to written requests from the department regarding the presence, location, and security of biological agents within 30 days of the request. In the event of a disaster emergency, a laboratory, clinic, research facility, commercial enterprise, or other entity which possesses select biological agents shall immediately respond to a request from the department or its designee regarding the presence, location, and security of biological agents.

**641—112.6(135) Exceptions.**

**112.6(1)** The requirements of this chapter are not applicable to hospital laboratories which possess select biological agents solely as a result of a patient culture provided that the culture is destroyed within 14 days after referral to and confirmation by the University of Iowa Hygienic Laboratory or other laboratory approved by the council.

**112.6(2)** The requirements of this chapter are not applicable to a person who detects a biological agent in a clinical or environmental sample for the purpose of diagnosing disease, epidemiological surveillance, exposure assessment, reference, verification or proficiency testing, and who discards the agent within 14 calendar days. If a biological agent is kept for more than 14 calendar days, the laboratory shall provide written notice to the department identifying the agent and reason for continued or extended possession.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement section 135.11(28).

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CHAPTER 113  
PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE TEAMS

**641—113.1(135) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Defend”* means that the office of the Iowa attorney general shall provide a public health response team member with legal representation at no cost to the public health response team member.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Disaster medical assistance team”* or *“DMAT”* means a public health response team that is sponsored by a sponsor agency and approved by the department to provide medical assistance in the event of a disaster or threatened disaster or other incident as defined in Iowa Code section 135.143.

*“Environmental health response team”* or *“EHRT”* means a public health response team that is sponsored and approved by the department to provide environmental health expertise and assistance in the event of a disaster or threatened disaster or other incident defined in Iowa Code section 135.143.

*“Epidemiology response team”* or *“EpiRT”* means a public health response team that is sponsored and approved by the department to provide epidemiological assistance in the event of a disaster or threatened disaster or other incident as defined in Iowa Code section 135.143.

*“Indemnify”* means that the state of Iowa shall pay all sums that a public health response team member is legally obligated to pay as damages because of any claim made against the public health response team member which arises out of the provision of direct medical care or other support services rendered or which should have been rendered during a disaster, threatened disaster, or other incident defined in Iowa Code section 135.143, or arising out of a training exercise to prepare for a disaster or other incident defined in Iowa Code section 135.143.

*“Physician”* means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Public health response team”* or *“PHRT”* means a team of professionals, including licensed health care providers, nonmedical professionals skilled and trained in disaster or emergency response, and public health practitioners, that is sponsored by the department, a hospital or other entity and approved by the department to provide assistance in the event of a disaster or threatened disaster or other incident defined in Iowa Code section 135.143. “Public health response team” shall include disaster medical assistance teams, environmental health response teams, epidemiology response teams, and other teams established and approved upon written order of the director, to supplement and support disrupted or overburdened local medical and public health personnel, hospitals, and resources.

*“Public health response team member,” “DMAT member,” “EHRT member,”* or *“EpiRT member”* means an individual who has registered with the department and has received approval from the department to serve on a public health response team.

*“Registered nurse”* or *“RN”* means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

*“Sponsor agency”* means a hospital, public health agency, health care organization, licensed health care entity, or other entity approved by the department to act as a sponsor for a public health response team.

*“Sponsor agreement”* means a signed agreement between a sponsor agency and the department which defines the terms and conditions under which the agency shall sponsor a public health response team.

**641—113.2(135) Purpose.**

**113.2(1)** The department, through the division of acute disease prevention and emergency response, center for disaster operations and response, shall establish, register, and approve public health response teams, including at a minimum five DMATs and one EHRT, to supplement and support disrupted or overburdened local medical and public health personnel, hospitals, and resources in the event of a disaster or threatened disaster or other incident as defined in Iowa Code section 135.143. The primary purpose of the public health response teams is to respond to Iowa incidents and to provide support for Iowa medical and public health personnel, hospitals, and resources. A public health response team may also

be requested to respond to an out-of-state disaster or emergency pursuant to the Emergency Management Assistance Compact at Iowa Code section 29C.21.

**113.2(2)** DMAT and EHRT shall be established, registered and approved pursuant to this chapter. Other PHRTs may be established, registered and approved as necessary upon written order of the director.

**641—113.3(135) Sponsor agency.**

**113.3(1)** *Sponsor agency approval.* A hospital or other entity may apply to the department to be a sponsor agency of a public health response team. The applicant shall apply on a form approved by the department and shall provide all information requested by the department. The department may approve an application when the department is satisfied that the sponsor agency will operate the PHRT in compliance with Iowa Code section 135.143 and this chapter. Upon approval of the application, the department and the sponsor agency shall execute a sponsor agreement which shall provide that the agency is registered with the department and has been approved to sponsor a public health response team. The sponsor agreement shall also include the effective date of the approval and the terms and conditions of approval.

**113.3(2)** *Sponsor agency denial and revocation.* The department may deny approval to an applicant sponsor agency or may revoke a sponsor agency's approval if the department determines that the sponsor agency has violated or failed to comply with Iowa Code section 135.143 or this chapter, any term or condition contained in the sponsor agreement, any operational procedure, or state or federal law. The department shall notify the applicant or sponsor agency of the department's decision in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested. In the event an applicant or a sponsor agency is dissatisfied with the department's decision, the applicant or sponsor agency may submit a request for reconsideration with the division director. Such request shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the date of the denial or revocation notification, to Division Director, Division of Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The division director shall review the matter and issue a written decision within 20 days of receipt of the request. The division director's decision shall be final agency action. This appeal process does not constitute a contested case proceeding as defined in Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—113.4(135) Public health response team members.**

**113.4(1)** *Registration and approval.* An individual may apply to the department through a sponsor agency to be a public health response team member. The applicant shall apply on a form approved by the department and shall provide all information requested by the department and sponsor agency. The department shall register and approve an individual to serve as a PHRT member when the department is satisfied that the individual satisfies the requirements of this chapter and will perform on a PHRT in compliance with Iowa Code section 135.143 and this chapter. Upon registration and approval of an individual, the department shall provide the individual with written notification that the individual is registered with the department and has been approved to serve on a public health response team. The written notification shall also include the effective date of the approval and the terms and conditions of approval.

**113.4(2)** *Denial and revocation.* The department may deny approval to an individual or may revoke an individual's approval if the department determines that the individual has violated or failed to comply with Iowa Code section 135.143 or this chapter, any term or condition contained in the written approval notification from the department, any operational procedure, or state or federal law, or has exposed or may expose the state to undue risk. The department shall notify the individual of the department's decision in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested. In the event an individual is dissatisfied with the department's decision, the individual may submit a request for reconsideration with the division director. Such request shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the date of the denial or revocation notification, to Division Director, Division of Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines Iowa 50319. The division director shall review the matter and issue a written decision within 20 days of receipt of

the request. The division director's decision shall be final agency action. This appeal process does not constitute a contested case proceeding as defined in Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**113.4(3) *Effect of revocation.*** If the department revokes a public health response team member's approval, the action shall revoke future eligibility, but shall not negate defense and indemnification coverage or other protection for covered acts or omissions which occurred during the effective date of approval.

**641—113.5(135) Disaster medical assistance team.**

**113.5(1) *General requirements.***

*a.* An entity may make application to the department to be a sponsor agency of a DMAT pursuant to subrule 113.3(1). An individual may make application to the department to be a member of a DMAT pursuant to subrule 113.4(1).

*b.* The department, in conjunction with the sponsor agencies, shall establish the DMAT operational procedures. The operational procedures shall be in writing and shall be provided to each DMAT member. All DMAT members and sponsor agencies shall follow the DMAT operational procedures as established by the department. The Iowa DMAT Operational Procedures Manual is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Center for Disaster Operations and Response, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*c.* If the department notifies a DMAT, DMAT member, or sponsor agency of a violation of Iowa Code section 135.143, this chapter, or an operational procedure, the DMAT, DMAT member, or sponsor agency shall correct the deficiency or violation identified by the department within a time frame determined by the department. If a DMAT, DMAT member, or sponsor agency fails to correct a deficiency or violation within the time frame identified by the department, or if the deficiency or violation constitutes an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the department may initiate action to revoke approval pursuant to subrule 113.3(2) or 113.4(2).

**113.5(2) *Team composition.***

*a.* A DMAT shall be comprised of a minimum of 35 health care professionals and administrative personnel as identified in the Iowa DMAT Operational Procedures Manual.

*b.* The sponsor agency for each team shall be responsible for maintaining adequate staffing.

**113.5(3) *Licensure and educational requirements.***

*a.* Each DMAT member shall hold and maintain an active unrestricted license, registration, or certification to practice in Iowa in the member's respective medical or health care profession.

*b.* Each DMAT member shall complete the following courses or shall complete other substantially similar courses approved by the department:

- (1) Incident command structure;
- (2) Weapons of mass destruction awareness; and
- (3) Hazardous materials awareness or operations.

*c.* In addition to the requirements in paragraph 113.5(3)"*b*," the DMAT's leadership shall complete training in:

- (1) Hospital emergency incident command structure; and
- (2) Risk communication.

*d.* A sponsor agency shall provide specific position training to DMAT members as determined to be necessary by the sponsor agency and as approved by the department.

*e.* A sponsor agency, in conjunction with the department, shall develop and implement training exercises to test the team's notification process, deployment readiness, and response capabilities.

*f.* The sponsor agency shall be responsible for documenting each DMAT member's completion of required training.

**113.5(4) *Deployment and standdown.***

*a.* DMATs shall prepare to deploy within two to four hours of notification by the department. DMATs shall not self-deploy and shall not be covered by the provisions of Iowa Code section 135.143 and this chapter if self-deployed or deployed by another agency or entity.

b. On-call team schedules shall be established and distributed by the department and shall be followed by the DMATs and sponsor agencies.

c. Deployment and standdown procedures are outlined in the Iowa DMAT Operational Procedures Manual and shall be followed by all DMAT members.

**641—113.6(135) Environmental health response team.**

**113.6(1) General requirements.**

a. An entity may make application to the department to be a sponsor agency of an EHRT pursuant to subrule 113.3(1), or the department may elect to sponsor an EHRT. An individual may make application to the department to be a member of an EHRT pursuant to subrule 113.4(1).

b. The department shall establish EHRT operational procedures. The operational procedures shall be in writing and shall be provided to each EHRT member. All EHRT members shall follow the EHRT operational procedures as established by the department. The Iowa EHRT Operational Procedures Manual is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Center for Disaster Operations and Response, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

c. If the department notifies an EHRT member of a violation of Iowa Code section 135.143, this chapter, or an operational procedure, the EHRT member shall correct the deficiency or violation identified by the department within a time frame determined by the department. If an EHRT member fails to correct a deficiency or violation within the time frame identified by the department, or if the deficiency or violation constitutes an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the department may initiate action to revoke approval pursuant to subrule 113.3(2) or 113.4(2).

**113.6(2) Team composition.**

a. An EHRT shall be comprised of a minimum of 20 environmental health professionals and administrative personnel as identified in the Iowa EHRT Operational Procedures Manual.

b. The department shall be responsible for maintaining adequate staffing.

**113.6(3) Licensure and educational requirements.**

a. Each EHRT member shall complete the following courses or shall complete other substantially similar courses approved by the department:

- (1) Incident command structure;
- (2) Weapons of mass destruction awareness;
- (3) Environmental health core competencies and essential services;
- (4) Hazardous materials awareness or operations; and
- (5) Basic, intermediate and advanced epidemiology training.

b. In addition to the requirements in paragraph 113.5(3)“a,” the EHRT’s leadership shall complete training in risk communication.

c. The department shall provide specific position training to EHRT members as determined to be necessary by the department.

d. The department shall develop and implement training exercises to test each team’s notification process, deployment readiness, and response capabilities.

e. The department shall be responsible for documenting each EHRT member’s completion of required training.

**113.6(4) Deployment and standdown.**

a. EHRTs shall prepare to deploy within two to four hours of notification by the department. EHRTs shall not self-deploy and shall not be covered by the provisions of Iowa Code section 135.143 and this chapter if self-deployed or deployed by another agency or entity.

b. On-call team schedules shall be established and distributed by the department and shall be followed by the EHRT.

c. Deployment and standdown procedures are outlined in the Iowa EHRT Operational Procedures Manual and shall be followed by all EHRT members.

**641—113.7(135) Legal and other protections.** A public health response team member acting pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.143 and this chapter shall be considered an employee of the state under Iowa

Code section 29C.21 and chapter 669, shall be afforded protection as an employee of the state under Iowa Code section 669.21 whom the state shall defend and indemnify, and shall be considered an employee of the state for purposes of workers' compensation, disability, and death benefits, provided that the member has done all of the following:

1. Registered with and received approval from the department pursuant to subrule 113.4(1) to serve on a public health response team.
2. Provided direct medical care or other support services during a disaster, threatened disaster, or other incident described in Iowa Code section 135.143(1); or participated in a training exercise to prepare for a disaster or other incident described in Iowa Code section 135.143(1).

**641—113.8(135) Reporting requirements and duties.**

**113.8(1)** Upon obtaining knowledge or becoming aware of any injury allegedly arising out of the negligent rendering of, or the negligent failure to render, medical or other services as a public health response team member, such member or the member's sponsor agency shall provide written notice to the department, as soon as practicable, containing to the extent obtainable the circumstance of the alleged injury, the name and address of the injured, and any other relevant information.

**113.8(2)** Upon obtaining knowledge or becoming aware of any injury as defined in subrule 113.8(1), a public health response team member shall promptly take all reasonable steps to prevent further or additional injury from the same or similar circumstances, situations, or conditions.

**113.8(3)** A public health response team member shall immediately notify the Iowa Department of Justice, Special Litigation Division, Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, of service or receipt of an original petition, suit, or claim seeking damage from the public health response team member related to participation on a public health response team.

**113.8(4)** Each public health response team member shall fully cooperate with the state in the defense of any claim or suit related to participation on a public health response team, including attending hearings, depositions, and trials and assisting in securing and giving evidence, responding to discovery and ensuring the attendance of witnesses.

**113.8(5)** Each public health response team member shall accept financial responsibility for personal expenses and costs incurred in the defense of any claim or suit related to participation on a public health response team, including travel, meals, and compensation for time and lost practice.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.143.

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CHAPTERS 114 to 120  
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CHAPTER 121  
STANDARD FOR IMPACT RESISTANCE AND METHOD OF TESTING  
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**641—121.1(135) Standard for impact-resistant lenses.** In order for a lens to be considered impact resistant, the lens must not fracture when subjected to the test specified below. For the purpose of these rules, a lens will be considered to have fractured if it cracks through its entire thickness, including a laminar layer, if any, and across a complete diameter into two or more separate pieces or if any lens material visible to the naked eye becomes detached from the ocular surface.

**641—121.2(135) Method of testing lenses.** All lenses used in eyeglasses or sunglasses must be capable of withstanding an impact test in which a 5/8-inch steel ball weighing approximately 0.56 ounces is dropped from a height of 50 inches upon the horizontal upper surface of the lens. The ball shall strike within a 5/8-inch diameter circle located at the geometric center on the exterior surface of the lens. The ball may be guided, but not restricted, in its fall by being dropped through a tube extending to within approximately 4 inches of the lens. The test shall be conducted with the lens supported by a tube (1-inch inside diameter, 1¼-inch outside diameter, and approximately 1-inch high) affixed to a rigid iron or steel base plate. The total weight of the base plate and its rigidly attached fixtures shall not be less than 27 pounds. For lenses of small minimum diameter, a support tube having an outside diameter of less than 1¼ inches may be used. The support tube shall be made of rigid acrylic plastic, steel or other suitable substance and shall have securely bonded on the top edge a 1/8- by 1/8-inch neoprene gasket having a hardness of 40±5, as determined by ASTM Method D 1415; a minimum tensile strength of 1,200 pounds, as determined by ASTM Method D 412; and a minimum ultimate elongation of 400 percent, as determined by ASTM Method D 412. The diameter and the contour of the lens support may be modified as necessary so that the 1/8- by 1/8-inch neoprene gasket supports the lens at its periphery. Each finished impact-resistant glass lens for prescription use shall be subjected to the impact test prescribed by this rule.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.30.

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CHAPTERS 122 and 123  
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CHAPTER 124  
INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL  
FOR THE STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER

**641—124.1(691) Purpose.** The purpose of the interagency coordinating council for the state medical examiner is to provide a venue for the effective coordination of the functions and operations of the office of the state medical examiner with the needs and interests of the department of public safety and the department of public health, with input and guidance from the governor's office.

**641—124.2(691) Membership.** Members shall include the chief state medical examiner or, when the state medical examiner is not available, the deputy state medical examiner, the commissioner of public safety or the commissioner's designee, the director of public health or the director's designee, and the governor or the governor's designee.

**641—124.3(691) Meetings.**

**124.3(1)** The interagency coordinating council shall schedule quarterly meetings to be held at the office of the director of public health.

**124.3(2)** Meetings may be scheduled more frequently or less frequently depending upon the circumstances and the need for consultation.

**124.3(3)** Meetings may be canceled by any member with the agreement of the other members.

**124.3(4)** All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the open meetings law, Iowa Code chapter 21.

**641—124.4(691) Duties.** The interagency coordinating council shall perform the following duties:

**124.4(1)** Provide a venue to coordinate the functions and operations of the office of the state medical examiner with the department of public safety and the department of public health in order to better serve the needs of the citizens of Iowa.

**124.4(2)** Provide to and receive from the governor's office updated information relevant to the mission of the state medical examiner's office.

**124.4(3)** Discuss legislative and budgetary decisions that may impact the functions and operations of one, two, or all three agencies represented by the interagency coordinating council.

**641—124.5(691) Minutes.** The office of the state medical examiner shall keep minutes of all meetings showing the date, time, place, members present, and the general topics presented.

**124.5(1)** The minutes shall be provided to the members of the interagency coordinating council prior to the next scheduled meeting.

**124.5(2)** The minutes shall be available at the office of the state medical examiner for public inspection Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 691.6B.

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CHAPTER 125  
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER

**641—125.1(691) Purpose.** The purposes of the advisory council for the state medical examiner are to provide guidance concerning medicolegal death investigation for the state of Iowa, facilitate optimal relationships between the state and county medical examiners and other agencies involved in death investigation, and provide a venue for the exchange of information vital to the continued operations of the Iowa office of the state medical examiner.

**641—125.2(691) Membership.** Members shall include representatives from agencies and organizations that are directly involved with the office of the state medical examiner and medicolegal death investigation in the state of Iowa.

**125.2(1)** The advisory council shall include but not be limited to a representative from the following agencies:

- a.* The office of the attorney general;
- b.* The Iowa County Attorneys Association;
- c.* The Iowa Medical Society;
- d.* The Iowa Association of Pathologists;
- e.* The Iowa Association of County Medical Examiners;
- f.* The department of public safety;
- g.* The department of public health;
- h.* The Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association;
- i.* The Iowa Funeral Directors Association;
- j.* The University of Iowa department of pathology;
- k.* The state public defender's office; and
- l.* The office of the state medical examiner.

**125.2(2)** Each specific organization shall designate a representative to serve on the advisory council. Representatives shall be approved by the chief state medical examiner in consultation with the director of public health. Members may be selected from other organizations not specified in subrule 125.2(1) at the discretion of the chief state medical examiner.

**125.2(3)** The chair and presiding member of the council shall be the chief state medical examiner or a designee from the office of the state medical examiner.

**641—125.3(691) Meetings.** The advisory council will hold a meeting at the Iowa laboratory facility in Ankeny at least quarterly or on a more frequent basis as deemed necessary by the chief state medical examiner with approval of a majority of members of the council.

**125.3(1)** Meetings may be conducted via the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) for members who cannot physically be present at the laboratory facilities.

**125.3(2)** Meetings may be conducted by telephone at the discretion of the chief state medical examiner depending upon the complexity of the agenda.

**125.3(3)** Notice of routine meetings and agenda will be made available to the members a minimum of five working days prior to the meeting.

**125.3(4)** The chief state medical examiner or any member of the council may ask for a special meeting to discuss emergent issues within a 24-hour time period.

**125.3(5)** All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the open meetings law, Iowa Code chapter 21.

**125.3(6)** The operation of council meetings will be governed by the following rules of procedure:

- a.* A simple majority will be defined as a quorum, but the chair may choose to continue with the meeting even if a quorum is not present.
- b.* A course of action for topics under debate will be agreed upon by a simple majority vote of the members present at the meeting.

c. Any council member or a designated replacement who is unable to attend a meeting will notify the office of the state medical examiner at least 24 hours prior to the start of a regularly scheduled meeting; a meeting may be canceled if attendance is expected to be low.

**641—125.4(691) Duties.** The advisory council shall perform the following duties:

**125.4(1)** Provide information to council members regarding the current operations and functions of the office of the state medical examiner.

**125.4(2)** Provide information to council members regarding any legislative or budgetary decisions that impact the office of the state medical examiner.

**125.4(3)** Elicit council members' suggestions and recommendations to improve the overall operations of the office of the state medical examiner.

**641—125.5(691) Minutes.** The advisory council shall keep minutes of all its meetings showing the date, time, place, members present, members absent, and the general topics discussed.

**125.5(1)** The minutes shall reflect the actions agreed upon by the members for topics requiring the members' input or consensus.

**125.5(2)** If a meeting is convened within a 24-hour time period to discuss emergent issues, then the minutes shall reflect the emergent nature of this meeting.

**125.5(3)** If a meeting is conducted via telephone, then the minutes shall reflect the reason for the use of this method of communication.

**125.5(4)** The minutes shall be available at the office of the state medical examiner for inspection Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 691.6C.

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CHAPTER 126  
 STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER  
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**641—126.1(144,331,691) Definitions.**

“Autopsy” means the external and internal postmortem examination of a deceased person.

“County of appointment” means the county which requests a medical examiner to conduct an investigation, perform or order an autopsy, or prepare a report(s) in a death investigation case. The request may be authorized by the county attorney or the county medical examiner. The county of appointment shall be the county in which the death occurred.

**641—126.2(691) Medical examiner coverage.** Rescinded IAB 12/12/01, effective 1/16/02.

**641—126.3(691) Fees for autopsies and related services and reimbursement for related expenses.** Autopsies performed by the state medical examiner division are provided on a fee-for-service basis. Costs of autopsies and related services and expenses are the responsibility of the county of appointment. The county of residence of the deceased shall reimburse the county of appointment.

**126.3(1) Fee schedule.** The following fees shall apply to autopsies conducted by the state medical examiner division:

Autopsy . . . . .	\$1200
Copies of reports . . . . .	\$20

EXCEPTIONS: A copy of the autopsy report is included in the autopsy fee. A single copy of an autopsy report may be provided to the immediate next of kin of the deceased without fee. Copies of autopsy reports may be provided to public officials and physicians of record for official purposes without fee.

State, deputy, or associate medical examiner(s) time for all court cases . . . . .	\$350 per hour with a one-hour minimum
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This fee is for time spent reviewing case materials, preparing for deposition or court, testifying in deposition or court, and travel time.

**126.3(2) Expense reimbursement.** Other laboratory services associated with an autopsy, which shall include, but not be limited to, photography, toxicology, radiology, microbiology, and morgue fees, shall be billed by the department to the county of appointment. Moneys collected pursuant to this subrule shall be paid by the department to the laboratory or other entity providing the service.

**126.3(3) State medical examiner acting as county medical examiner.** When the state medical examiner acts in the capacity of county medical examiner, the state medical examiner shall receive from the county of appointment a fee of \$100 per hour, with a one-hour minimum, for each report prepared plus the state medical examiner’s actual expenses. Counties may not depend on the state medical examiner for full-time coverage.

**641—126.4(691) Fees for tissue recovery.** When the tissue recovery room located within the office of the state medical examiner is utilized by an authorized tissue recovery agency, a fee of \$400 per case shall be assessed. The tissue recovery agency is responsible for this fee, payable to the office of the state medical examiner.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 691.6.

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CHAPTER 127  
COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
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**641—127.1(144,331,691) Definitions.**

“*Autopsy*” means the external and internal postmortem examination of a deceased person.

“*Cause of death*” means the disease or injury which sets in motion the chain of events which eventually result in the death of a person. The physician shall consider “but for” this injury or disease the person would still be living.

“*County medical examiner*” or “*CME*” means a medical or osteopathic physician or surgeon licensed in the state of Iowa and appointed by the board of supervisors to serve in this capacity.

“*County medical examiner investigator*” or “*CME-I*” means an individual appointed by a county medical examiner, with approval by the board of supervisors and the state medical examiner, to serve under the supervision of a county medical examiner to assist in death investigations.

“*County of appointment*” means the county which requests a medical examiner to conduct an investigation, perform or order an autopsy, or prepare a report(s) in a death investigation case. The request may be authorized by the county attorney or the county medical examiner. The county of appointment shall be the county in which the death occurred.

“*Cremation*” means the technical process, using heat and flame, that reduces human remains to bone fragments.

“*Day*” means calendar day.

“*Death*” means the condition as described in Iowa Code section 702.8.

“*Death affecting the public interest*” means any death of a human being in which the circumstances are sudden, unexpected, violent, suspicious, or unattended, including but not limited to those deaths listed at Iowa Code section 331.802(3) and described as follows:

1. Violent death. Violent death includes homicide, suicide, or accidental death resulting from physical, mechanical, thermal, chemical, electrical, or radiation injury. A medical examiner’s investigation and report are required irrespective of the period of survival following injury.

2. Death caused by criminal abortion, including self-induced.

3. Death related to disease thought to be virulent or contagious which may constitute a public hazard. Any such case investigated by a medical examiner shall be reported to the department and to the local health authority.

4. Death that has occurred unexpectedly or from an unexplained cause. This term includes the following situations:

- Death without prior medical conditions accounting for the death.

- Apparently instantaneous death without obvious cause.

- Death during or following an unexplained syncope or coma.

- Death during an unexplained, acute, or rapidly fatal illness.

5. Death of a person confined in a prison, jail, or correctional institution.

6. Death of a person when unattended by a physician during the period of 36 hours immediately preceding death.

- This term includes the following situations:

— Persons found dead without obvious or probable cause.

— Death when the person was unattended by a physician during a terminal illness.

— Fetal death unattended by a physician. A fetal death is a fetus born dead after a gestation period of 20 completed weeks or greater or a fetus which weighs 350 grams or more (Iowa Code section 144.29).

- This term does not include a prediagnosed terminal or bedfast case in which a physician has been in attendance within 30 days preceding the death.

- This term does not include a terminally ill patient who was admitted to and received services from a hospice program as defined in Iowa Code section 135J.1, if a physician or registered nurse employed by the program was in attendance within 30 days preceding the death.

7. Death of a person if the body is not claimed by a relative or friend.

8. Death of a person if the identity of the deceased is unknown.
9. Death of a child under the age of two years if death results from an unknown cause or if the circumstances surrounding the death indicate that sudden infant death syndrome may be the cause of death.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Deputy county medical examiner*” or “*DCME*” means an individual appointed by a county medical examiner, with approval by the board of supervisors and the state medical examiner, to assist the county medical examiner in the performance of the county medical examiner’s duties.

“*External examination*” means a close inspection of the exterior of a deceased human body for the purpose of locating, describing, and delineating any and all injuries or other abnormalities. External examination of a body does not constitute an autopsy, even if toxicology samples are obtained.

“*Fee*” means an amount to be paid to a county medical examiner’s office as determined by the board of supervisors of the county of appointment for completion of an investigation, autopsy, or report(s). Fees for services provided by the state medical examiner’s office are established at 641—126.3(691).

“*Form ME-1*” means the Preliminary Report of Investigation by Medical Examiner form.

“*Form ME-2*” means the Medical Examiner Embalming Certificate form.

“*Form ME-3*” means the Permit by Medical Examiner for Autopsy form.

“*Form ME-4*” means the Preliminary Report of Child/Infant Death Scene Investigation form.

“*Form ME-5*” means the Cremation Permit by Medical Examiner form.

“*Form ME-6*” means the Iowa State Medical Examiner’s Office Personal Effects form.

“*Form ME-7*” means the Medication List form.

“*Form ME-8*” means the Body Identification Record form.

“*Manner of death*” means the circumstances under which the cause of death occurred and may be specified as follows: natural, accident, suicide, homicide, undetermined, or pending.

“*Medical care provider*” means an individual licensed or certified in any medical profession, including but not limited to a physician, physician assistant, nurse, emergency medical care provider, certified nurse’s aide, pharmacist, physical therapist, and medical technologist.

“*Medical examiner*” means the state medical examiner, deputy state medical examiner, county medical examiner, or deputy county medical examiner.

**641—127.2(331,691) Duties of medical examiners—jurisdiction over deaths which affect the public interest.**

**127.2(1) Jurisdiction.** Upon receiving notification of a death which affects the public interest, a medical examiner shall notify any appropriate law enforcement agency not otherwise notified and shall take charge of the body of the decedent. The body shall not be disturbed or removed from the position in which it was found without authorization from the medical examiner except for the purpose of preserving the body from loss or destruction or permitting the passage of traffic on a highway, railroad, or airport, or unless the failure to remove the body might endanger life, safety, or health.

**127.2(2) Investigation.** A county medical examiner shall conduct a preliminary investigation of the cause and manner of death and shall utilize the investigative protocol outlined in the most current edition of the County Medical Examiner’s Handbook, available from the state medical examiner’s office. A medical examiner may perform or authorize performance of any scientific study to assist in identifying the cause, circumstances, and manner of death. A medical examiner shall cooperate with other investigating officials and agencies involved and shall share reports, information, and conclusions with these officials and agencies.

**127.2(3) Reports required.**

a. *Form ME-1.*

(1) Preparation and filing. A county medical examiner shall prepare a written report of the examiner’s findings on the Preliminary Report of Investigation by Medical Examiner, Form ME-1. A county medical examiner shall file the original Form ME-1 with the state medical examiner’s office within 14 days of the date of death and shall file a copy of the Form ME-1 with the county attorney within 14 days of the date of the death and shall retain a copy for the medical examiner’s records.

(2) Content. Form ME-1 shall be completed as fully as possible in light of all available information and may be signed by either a county medical examiner or a county medical examiner investigator acting under the supervision of a county medical examiner. If the cause or manner of death, identity of the decedent, or other information is unknown or pending at the time of filing, “unknown” or “pending” may be written in the appropriate area of the form. If additional information becomes available, this information shall be forwarded to the state medical examiner in written form at such time as it becomes available to be added as a supplement to the file.

*b. Jurisdiction declined or terminated.* A form designated by the office of the state medical examiner shall be completed and filed in accordance with subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph “a” above in cases reported to the county medical examiner where jurisdiction is terminated or declined.

**127.2(4) Disposition of body.** After an investigation, including an autopsy if one was performed, the body of the decedent shall be made available to the funeral home designated by a relative or friend of the decedent for burial or appropriate disposition. A medical examiner shall not use influence in favor of a particular funeral director or funeral home. If no one claims a body, it shall be disposed of as provided in Iowa Code chapter 142.

**127.2(5) Coverage.**

*a.* When an individual is required to report a death to a medical examiner and the county medical examiner cannot be located or is not available, the individual shall contact a county medical examiner from any adjacent Iowa county to perform those duties outlined in this chapter. The responding medical examiner shall have full authority to conduct any procedures necessary to the investigation of the cause and manner of death. If an adjacent county medical examiner is not available, the state medical examiner shall be contacted and may act in the capacity of a county medical examiner.

*b.* The responding county medical examiner shall be reimbursed by the county for which the service is provided for all fees and expenses at the rate which is customarily paid by the county for which the service is provided or at a rate agreed upon by the medical examiner and the board of supervisors of the county for which the service is provided.

**641—127.3(331,691) Autopsies.**

**127.3(1) Autopsy required.** A county medical examiner shall perform an autopsy or order that an autopsy be performed in the following cases:

*a.* All cases of homicide or suspected homicide, irrespective of the period of survival following injury.

*b.* All cases in which the manner of death is undetermined.

*c.* All cases involving unidentified bodies.

*d.* All deaths of children under the age of two when there is not a clear cause of death, including suspected cases of sudden infant death syndrome. A summary of the findings of the autopsy shall be transmitted by the physician who performed the autopsy to the county medical examiner within two days of completion of the report. Autopsies performed on children under the age of two when the circumstances surrounding the death indicate that sudden infant death syndrome may be the cause of death or the cause of death is not clearly explained by known medical history shall conform to Form ME-4.

*e.* All work- and farm-related deaths unless there is an obvious natural cause of death.

*f.* All drowning deaths.

*g.* All deaths of commercial vehicle drivers that occur during the performance of their job duties.

*h.* Deaths due to poisoning.

*i.* Deaths of airplane pilots who die as a result of an airplane crash. The National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration should be contacted prior to the autopsy to request specimen kit(s).

*j.* Deaths due to a natural disaster, including tornadoes and floods.

*k.* Deaths in a prison, jail or correctional institution or under police custody, where there is not a natural disease process that accounts for the death.

**127.3(2) *Autopsy recommended.*** It is recommended that a county medical examiner should perform an autopsy or order that an autopsy be performed in the following cases:

- a. Deaths of adolescents less than 18 years of age when there is not a natural cause of death.
- b. All cases which involve a motor vehicle crash, unless it is a single motor vehicle accident with no potential for litigation and there is an obvious cause of death or the injuries have been clearly documented by hospitalization.
- c. Rescinded IAB 3/29/06, effective 5/3/06.
- d. Deaths from suicide.
- e. All pedestrian, bicycle, motorcycle, snowmobile, boating, watercraft, three- or four-wheeler or all-terrain vehicle fatalities.
- f. Deaths due to failure of a consumer product.
- g. Deaths due to a possible public health hazard.
- h. Deaths due to drug or alcohol abuse or overdose.
- i. Electrical- and lightning-related deaths.
- j. Deaths from burns or smoke or soot inhalation.
- k. All deaths related to exposure, such as hypothermia and hyperthermia.
- l. All sport-related deaths, including but not limited to deaths from auto racing and deaths resulting from injuries sustained in football, basketball, baseball, softball, soccer, or other games or sports.

**127.3(3) *Other deaths.*** For those deaths not listed in subrule 127.3(1) or 127.3(2), a county medical examiner shall determine whether the public interest requires an autopsy and may perform an autopsy or order that an autopsy be performed. A county medical examiner may consult with the state medical examiner to assist in determining the need for an autopsy.

**127.3(4) *Performance of autopsy.***

a. *Who may authorize.* Autopsies may be authorized by the state medical examiner, the county medical examiner for the county in which the death occurred or the county where any injury contributing to or causing the death was sustained, or the county attorney who would have jurisdiction in any criminal proceeding related to the death.

b. *Who may perform.* An autopsy shall be performed by a pathologist trained or with experience in forensic pathology, licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in the state of Iowa and board-certified by the American Board of Pathology, or under the direct supervision of a physician with these qualifications. If an autopsy is performed by a physician who does not satisfy these criteria and who is not performing under the direct supervision of a physician who satisfies these criteria, the physician shall submit a supplemental report with the Permit by Medical Examiner for Autopsy, Form ME-3, which details the specific training, education, and experience which qualify the physician to perform an autopsy. The following cases/types of deaths shall be transported to the office of the state medical examiner for autopsy unless otherwise approved by the state medical examiner:

- (1) Deaths of adolescents through 18 years of age when there is not a known or preexisting natural cause of death.
- (2) All cases of homicide or suspected homicide, irrespective of the period of survival following injury.
- (3) Deaths of children under the age of 2 years if death results from an unknown cause or if the circumstances surrounding the death indicate that Sudden Infant Death Syndrome may be the cause of death.
- (4) All suspicious suicides.
- (5) All high-profile deaths including, but not limited to, deaths of elected officials in municipal, state or federal government.
- (6) All deaths of inmates occurring in any institutions under the department of corrections as outlined in Iowa Code section 904.102, excluding those deaths that result from a pre-existing medical condition.

c. *Permit required—Form ME-3.* A medical examiner shall complete the Permit by Medical Examiner for Autopsy, Form ME-3. All reasonable efforts shall be made to complete the Form ME-3



prior to the performance of an autopsy and to submit the form with the body of the decedent or to submit the form via facsimile to the state medical examiner.

**127.3(5) Autopsy report.** A complete record of the findings of the autopsy shall be submitted to the state medical examiner's office, the county attorney of the county where the death occurred and the county attorney of the county where the injury contributing to or causing the death was sustained within 90 days following the date of death, unless unusual circumstances requiring further investigation or testing exist. The report filed shall include all diagrams, transcriptions of the autopsy observations and opinions, and toxicology reports.

**127.3(6) Out-of-state autopsy.** The body of a decedent may be sent out of state for an autopsy or postmortem examination only if the county medical examiner certifies in writing that the out-of-state autopsy or examination is necessary for any of the following reasons:

- a. A forensic pathologist practicing in the state of Iowa is unavailable;
- b. Requiring an in-state autopsy would cause financial hardship; or
- c. Requiring an in-state autopsy would delay the funeral or burial more than three days.

**127.3(7) Retention and disposal of tissues, organs, and bodily fluids.** The office of the state medical examiner shall retain tissues, organs, and bodily fluids as necessary to determine the cause and manner of death or as deemed advisable by the state medical examiner for medical or public health investigation, teaching, or research. Tissues, organs, and bodily fluids shall be retained at a minimum for the time periods established by the National Association of Medical Examiners and may be retained for a longer time period at the discretion of the state medical examiner. Tissues, organs, and bodily fluids retained under this subrule shall be disposed of without the specific consent or notification of the legal next of kin and in accordance with applicable federal and state regulations including but not limited to OSHA-recommended biohazard and blood-borne pathogen standards. The anatomical material shall be removed from the laboratory premises through use of a contracted, licensed, and bonded medical waste removal service to a medical waste processing center for final disposition.

#### **641—127.4(331,691) Fees.**

##### **127.4(1) Payment of fee and expenses.**

a. A medical examiner shall receive from the county of appointment a fee for each preliminary investigation and report submitted in a case in which a death affects the public interest. A county medical examiner shall also receive from the county of appointment the examiner's actual expenses.

b. A pathologist or other physician who performs an autopsy under medical examiner authorization shall be paid for the services by the county of appointment.

##### **127.4(2) Reimbursement.**

a. *County of residence different from county of appointment—Iowa resident.* The county of the decedent's residence shall reimburse the county of appointment for the fee and expenses paid by the county of appointment.

b. *Death caused by criminal defendant.* If the person's death is caused by a criminal defendant who has been convicted and sentenced for murder, voluntary manslaughter, involuntary manslaughter, or homicide by vehicle, the county of the person's residence may recover from the defendant the fee and expenses.

c. *Out-of-state resident—law enforcement involvement.* The fee and expenses of a county medical examiner who performs an investigation or autopsy of a person who dies after being brought into the state for emergency medical treatment by or at the direction of an out-of-state law enforcement officer or public authority shall be paid by the state. A claim for payment shall be filed with the department.

d. *Out-of-state resident—no law enforcement involvement.* The fee and expenses of a county medical examiner who performs an investigation or autopsy of an out-of-state resident shall be paid by the county of appointment.

e. *Child under the age of two.* If the death of a child under the age of two results from an unknown cause or if the circumstances surrounding the death indicate that sudden infant death syndrome may be the cause of death, the department shall reimburse the county of appointment up to \$400 toward the expense of the autopsy. A county auditor may submit a copy of the bill and the autopsy report to Iowa

SIDS Program, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. A request for reimbursement shall be submitted within one year after the date of death.

**641—127.5(144,331,691) Death certificates—deaths affecting the public interest.**

**127.5(1) Completion.** The funeral director to whom the body is released shall complete the personal data on the death certificate. The medical examiner shall complete the manner of death and cause of death sections of the death certificate within 72 hours after determination of the cause of death. If an autopsy is performed by the state medical examiner, the death certificate shall be submitted to the state medical examiner's office for completion. All information included on the certificate shall be typewritten.

**127.5(2) Filing.** The funeral director shall file the certificate with the county registrar in the county in which the death occurred. A death certificate shall be filed prior to the issuance of a burial transit permit and prior to disposal of the body.

**127.5(3) Extension of time.** If a medical examiner is unable to complete the manner of death and cause of death sections of the death certificate within the 24-hour time period, the funeral director shall file a death certificate form completed with all available information. Such certificate shall be authority for the issuance of a burial transit permit. Within 15 days, a supplemental report shall be filed with the local registrar which provides the information missing from the original certificate.

**127.5(4) Additional standards.** Additional rules relative to death certificates may be found at 641—Chapter 101.

**641—127.6(331,691) Cremation.**

**127.6(1) Permit obtained prior to cremation—Form ME-5.** A permit for cremation shall be obtained from a county medical examiner prior to cremation of a body of a decedent. For purposes of this requirement, a facsimile or electronic copy of the cremation permit has the same legal effect as the original. Cremation permits shall be issued on the Cremation Permit by Medical Examiner, Form ME-5.

**127.6(2) Requirements for issuance of permit.** A county medical examiner shall direct an inquiry into the cause and manner of death and shall determine whether the death is one which affects the public interest prior to issuing a cremation permit.

*a. Death which affects the public interest.* If the death occurred in a manner specified in Iowa Code section 331.802(3) or if reasonable suspicion that the death occurred in such a manner exists, a medical examiner shall view the body, make a personal inquiry into the cause and manner of death, and complete or cause to be completed all necessary autopsy or postmortem examinations prior to issuing a cremation permit.

*b. Death which does not affect the public interest.* If, following an inquiry into the cause and manner of death, the county medical examiner determines that the death did not occur in a manner specified in Iowa Code section 331.802(3), a medical examiner is not required to view the body prior to issuing a cremation permit. A county medical examiner shall certify on the Cremation Permit by Medical Examiner, Form ME-5, that the medical examiner's inquiry into the cause and manner of death did not disclose evidence that the death occurred in a manner specified in Iowa Code section 331.802(3).

**127.6(3) Fee.** A fee for the Cremation Permit by Medical Examiner, Form ME-5, shall be paid by the family, next of kin, guardian of the decedent, or other person authorized to act on behalf of the decedent.

**641—127.7(331,691) County medical examiner investigators.**

**127.7(1) Appointment.** A county medical examiner may appoint one or more county medical examiner investigators upon approval by the board of supervisors and the state medical examiner.

**127.7(2) Qualifications.**

*a.* Prior to appointment, a CME-I shall possess a minimum of two years of experience as a licensed or certified nurse or medical care provider; and

*b.* Prior to or within three years of appointment, a CME-I shall satisfy the following criteria:

(1) Attend the St. Louis School of Medicine Medicolegal, Basic and Master's Death Investigation Course or its state medical examiner-approved equivalent; and

(2) Obtain and maintain certification as a death investigator by the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators.

*c.* A CME-I is not required to meet the requirements of paragraph “a” or “b” if the individual has functioned in the capacity of a CME-I for a period of five years as of January 1, 2002.

*d.* If a CME is unable to appoint a CME-I who possesses the qualifications required by paragraph “a,” “b,” or “c,” the CME may request a waiver. Waiver requests shall be submitted in writing to the state medical examiner and shall include the efforts undertaken by the CME to locate a CME-I who meets the above qualifications; the qualifications of the individual willing to serve in the capacity of CME-I; and the period of time for which the waiver is requested, not to exceed two years. The state medical examiner has sole discretion to waive the requirements of this rule and may withdraw or modify a waiver request upon a finding that the CME-I has failed to adequately perform the duties of the position or for other good cause.

**127.7(3) Duties.** A CME-I shall assist in death investigations. A CME-I acting under the supervision of a county medical examiner may sign the Form ME-1. A CME-I shall not sign a certificate of death or a Form ME-5.

**127.7(4) Supervision.** A CME-I shall serve under the supervision of a county medical examiner. A CME-I may provide services only when in the personal presence of a county medical examiner or under the direction of a county medical examiner who is available in person or under the direction of a county medical examiner when the county medical examiner or the state medical examiner’s office is available by telephonic communication. A CME-I shall at all times perform services in a manner which is consistent with the protocol outlined in the most current edition of the County Medical Examiner’s Handbook and any policies or protocols of the supervising county medical examiner.

**127.7(5) Fees.** Fees for the services provided by a CME-I shall be paid by the county of appointment.

#### **641—127.8(331,691) Deputy county medical examiners.**

**127.8(1) Appointment.** A county medical examiner may appoint one or more deputy county medical examiners upon approval by the board of supervisors and the state medical examiner.

**127.8(2) Qualifications.** A DCME shall be licensed in the state of Iowa as a medical or osteopathic physician or surgeon.

**127.8(3) Duties.** A DCME shall serve at the direction of the county medical examiner and may perform any duty of a county medical examiner which is delegated by the county medical examiner to the DCME.

**127.8(4) Fees.** Fees for the services provided by a DCME shall be paid by the county of appointment.

**641—127.9(331,691) Failure to comply with rules.** If a county medical examiner, deputy county medical examiner, county medical examiner investigator, pathologist, or other physician fails to comply with these rules, the state medical examiner may provide written notice of the failure to comply to that individual, the appropriate county medical examiner, and the appropriate county board of supervisors. Within 30 days of the date of the notice, the individual to whom the notice was provided shall submit a written response to the state medical examiner, outlining a proposed corrective action plan. If no response is received within the 30 days or if the proposed corrective action plan is unacceptable, the state medical examiner shall forward copies of the notice and all pertinent correspondence and information to the board of supervisors for the county which appointed the individual, notifying the board of the individual’s failure to comply with these rules.

**641—127.10(331,691,22) Confidentiality.** Records and reports of a medical examiner may be confidential records pursuant to Iowa Code sections 22.7(2), 22.7(5), and 22.7(41) and other provisions of Iowa law. Prior to releasing a medical examiner record or report to a member of the public, a county medical examiner may inform the appropriate law enforcement agency, the county attorney, and the state medical examiner to determine whether release is authorized under Iowa law.

**641—127.11(331,691,670) Indemnification.** A board of supervisors shall defend, hold harmless, and indemnify a county medical examiner and any properly appointed staff members to the extent provided in Iowa Code chapter 670.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 331 and 691.

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CHAPTER 128  
DOGS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH  
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**641—128.1(145B) Application.** An institution as defined in Iowa Code section 145B.1 may make application to the department for authority to request dogs from a pound. Such application shall be on a form furnished by the department, and will include the following:

**128.1(1)** Name and principal function of institution;

**128.1(2)** The name and title of its principal officer or manager;

**128.1(3)** The names and qualifications of the principal persons in charge of research or teaching involving the use of dogs;

**128.1(4)** The names and qualifications of the principal persons in charge of dog care;

**128.1(5)** A description of the physical facilities available for the care and custody of dogs;

**128.1(6)** A general statement of the use proposed to be made of dogs.

**641—128.2(145B) Investigation and authorization of applicant.** The department may make such investigation of the applicant as it deems necessary, and if satisfied that the institution is fit and proper and that the public interest would be served by so doing, the department will issue its authorization to the institution. The authorization will be in writing.

**641—128.3(145B) Expiration of authorization.** An authorization will expire on June 30 of each year, but an institution may at any time apply for further authorization as provided herein for initial authorization.

**641—128.4(145B) Minimum requirements for animal care.** Authorized institutions shall at all times and in all respects comply with Iowa Code section 145B.5 and shall further comply with the following minimum requirements for the care and comfort of animals:

**128.4(1)** All dogs used for experimental purposes must be lawfully acquired and their retention shall be in strict compliance with the law.

**128.4(2)** Research projects involving live dogs must be performed by, or under the immediate supervision of, a qualified biological scientist.

**128.4(3)** The housing, care and feeding of all experimental dogs shall be supervised by a qualified veterinarian or other biological scientist competent in such matters.

**128.4(4)** Rooms in which dogs are to be housed shall be provided with a floor which can be kept clean, and the room shall be adequately lighted and ventilated. The temperature shall be held within reasonable limits. Cages should be of sufficient size to permit the dogs to stand and lie in a normal position. It is generally conceded that dogs maintained for long periods are in better physiological condition if they exercise regularly. Dogs housed out of doors should be given adequate protection from direct sunlight or inclement weather.

**128.4(5)** The food and water supplied to all experimental dogs, subject to the nature of the research, must be palatable, and of sufficient quantity and proper quality to maintain the dogs in good health.

**128.4(6)** In any operation likely to cause greater discomfort than the attending anesthetization, the dog shall first be anesthetized and be maintained in that condition until the operation is ended. Whenever anesthesia would defeat the purpose of the experiment, the experiment must be approved and directly supervised by the principal person in charge of the research as named in 128.1(145B).

**641—128.5(145B) Investigation of noncompliance.** An institution reporting to a public body the noncompliance of any pound with the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 145B shall forthwith send a duplicate of such notice or report to the department. The department will make such investigation as is

necessary, and notify the complaining institution and the public body receiving the report of the result of such investigation.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 145B.2.

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CHAPTER 130  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

**641—130.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Chairperson*” means the chair of the advisory council, who has been elected by the majority of the advisory council’s members.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist, or other certification level recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*Emergency medical services*” or “*EMS*” means an integrated medical care delivery system to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the scene or during out-of-hospital patient transportation in an ambulance.

**641—130.2(147A) Purpose.** The EMS advisory council shall advise the director and develop policy recommendations concerning the regulation, administration, and coordination of emergency medical services in the state.

**641—130.3(147A) Appointment.**

**130.3(1)** The EMS advisory council shall be appointed by the director. The appointments shall be for three-year staggered terms which shall expire on June 30. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made for the balance of the unexpired term.

**130.3(2)** Membership of the council shall be comprised of individuals nominated from, but not limited to, the following state or national organizations:

*a.* One physician from each of the following organizations:

- (1) Iowa Osteopathic Medical Association.
- (2) Iowa Medical Society.
- (3) American College of Emergency Physicians.
- (4) Iowa Academy of Family Physicians.
- (5) University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.
- (6) American Academy of Emergency Medicine.
- (7) American Academy of Pediatrics.

*b.* Representatives from each of the following organizations:

- (1) Iowa Physician Assistant Society.
- (2) EMS Education Programs Committee.
- (3) EMS Regional Council.
- (4) Iowa Nurses Association.
- (5) Iowa Hospital Association.
- (6) Iowa State Association of Counties.

*c.* Two out-of-hospital emergency medical care providers from the Iowa Firemen’s Association.

*d.* One out-of-hospital emergency medical care provider from the Iowa Professional Firefighters.

*e.* Three out-of-hospital emergency medical care providers, with at least one representing volunteer EMS, from the Iowa EMS Association.

**641—130.4(147A) Absences.** Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the advisory council member and to appoint another. The chairperson of the advisory council is charged with providing notification of absences.

**641—130.5(147A) Officers.**

**130.5(1)** Officers of the advisory council shall be a chairperson and a vice chairperson who shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year unless they are designated as officers at the time of their appointment.

- a. Officers may serve no more than three consecutive terms as an officer.
- b. Vacancies in the office of chairperson shall be filled by the vice chairperson.
- c. Vacancies in the office of vice chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs.

**130.5(2)** Duties of officers. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the advisory council, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting, the vice chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**641—130.6(147A) Meetings.**

**130.6(1)** The advisory council shall establish a meeting schedule on an annual basis to conduct business. There shall be a minimum of four meetings per year. Meetings may be scheduled as business requires, but notice to members must be at least five working days prior to the meeting date. Four weeks' notice is encouraged to accommodate the schedules of professional members.

**130.6(2)** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

**130.6(3)** A majority of appointed members shall be considered a quorum.

**130.6(4)** Any advisory council member who is unable to attend a meeting will notify the chairperson; there may not be a meeting if a quorum is not present.

**130.6(5)** When a quorum is present, a position is carried by affirmative vote of the majority of those present.

**130.6(6)** Persons wishing to make a presentation to the advisory council shall submit the request to the chairperson not less than 14 days prior to the meeting. Presentations may be made either at the discretion of the chairperson or upon matters appearing on the agenda.

**130.6(7)** Persons wishing to submit written materials should do so at least 14 days in advance of the scheduled meeting to ensure that advisory council members have adequate time to receive and evaluate the materials.

**130.6(8)** The advisory council may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances in which an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8.

**641—130.7(147A) Subcommittees.** The advisory council may designate one or more subcommittees to perform such duties as may be deemed necessary.

**641—130.8(147A) Expenses of advisory council members.** The following may be considered necessary expenses for reimbursement of advisory council members when the expenses are incurred on behalf of advisory council business and are subject to established state reimbursement rates.

1. Reimbursement for travel in a private car.
2. Actual lodging and meal expenses, including sales tax on lodging and meals.
3. Actual expenses of public transportation.

**641—130.9(147A) Gender balance.** If not otherwise provided by law, all advisory bodies of the department appointed by the governor, director or designee shall be gender-balanced.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

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CHAPTER 131  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
PROVIDER EDUCATION/TRAINING/CERTIFICATION

**641—131.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Automated external defibrillator*” or “*AED*” means an external semiautomatic device that determines whether defibrillation is required.

“*Basic care*” means treatment interventions, appropriate to certification level, that provide minimum care to the patient including, but not limited to, CPR, bandaging, splinting, oxygen administration, spinal immobilization, oral airway insertion and suctioning, antishock garment, vital sign assessment and administration of over-the-counter drugs.

“*Candidate*” means an individual who has successfully completed a course of study as a first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other level certified by the department and who has been recommended by a training program for a state-approved certification examination.

“*CECBEMS*” means the continuing education coordinating board for emergency medical services.

“*CEH*” means “continuing education hour” which is based upon a minimum of 50 minutes of training per hour.

“*Certification period*” means the length of time an EMS provider certificate is valid. The certification period shall be for two years from initial issuance or from renewal, unless otherwise specified on the certificate or unless sooner suspended or revoked.

“*Certification status*” means a condition placed on an individual certificate for identification as active, deceased, denied, dropped, expired, failed, hold, idle, inactive, incomplete, pending, probation, retired, revoked, surrendered, suspended, or temporary.

“*Continuing education*” means training approved by the department which is obtained by a certified emergency medical care provider to maintain, improve, or expand relevant skills and knowledge and to satisfy renewal of certification requirements.

“*Course completion date*” means the date of the final classroom session of an emergency medical care provider course.

“*Course coordinator*” means an individual who has been assigned by the training program to coordinate the activities of an emergency medical care provider course.

“*CPR*” means training and successful course completion in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, AED, and obstructed airway procedures for all age groups according to recognized national standards.

“*Critical care paramedic (CCP)*” means a currently certified paramedic specialist who has successfully completed a critical care course of instruction approved by the department and has received endorsement from the department as a critical care paramedic.

“*Current course completion*” means written recognition given for training and successful course completion of CPR with an expiration date or a recommended renewal date that exceeds the current date.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*DOT*” means the United States Department of Transportation.

“*Emergency medical care*” means such medical procedures as:

1. Administration of intravenous solutions.
2. Intubation.
3. Performance of cardiac defibrillation and synchronized cardioversion.
4. Administration of emergency drugs as provided by protocol.
5. Any medical procedure authorized by 131.3(3).

“*Emergency medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

*“Emergency medical services”* or *“EMS”* means an integrated medical care delivery system to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the scene or during out-of-hospital patient transportation in an ambulance.

*“Emergency medical technician-ambulance (EMT-A)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the 1984 United States Department of Transportation’s Emergency Medical Technician-Ambulance curriculum, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-A.

*“Emergency medical technician-basic (EMT-B)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s Emergency Medical Technician-Basic curriculum and department enhancements, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-B.

*“Emergency medical technician-defibrillation (EMT-D)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an approved program which specifically addresses manual or automated defibrillation, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-D.

*“Emergency medical technician-intermediate (EMT-I)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an EMT-intermediate curriculum approved by the department, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-I.

*“Emergency medical technician-paramedic (EMT-P)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s EMT-Intermediate curriculum or the 1985 or earlier DOT EMT-P curriculum, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-P.

*“Emergency rescue technician (ERT)”* means an emergency medical care provider trained in various rescue techniques including, but not limited to, extrication from vehicles and agricultural rescue, and who has successfully completed a curriculum approved by the department in cooperation with the department of public safety.

*“EMS advisory council”* means a council appointed by the director, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A, to advise the director and develop policy recommendations concerning regulation, administration, and coordination of emergency medical services in the state.

*“EMS evaluator (EMS-E)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an EMS evaluator curriculum approved by the department and is currently endorsed by the department as an EMS-E.

*“EMS instructor (EMS-I)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an EMS instructor curriculum approved by the department and is currently endorsed by the department as an EMS-I.

*“Endorsement”* means providing approval in an area related to emergency medical care including, but not limited to, emergency rescue technician and emergency medical services-instructor.

*“First responder (FR)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s first responder curriculum and department enhancements, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an FR.

*“First responder-defibrillation (FR-D)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an approved program that specifically addresses defibrillation, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an FR-D.

*“Good standing”* means a student or candidate in compliance with these rules and training program requirements.

*“Idle”* means the status of a lower certification level when a higher level is held.

*“Inactive”* means the status of a certification level when an individual moves from a higher certification level to a lower certification level that was previously idle or requests inactive status.

*“Intermediate”* means an emergency medical technician-intermediate.

*“NCA”* means North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

*“NREMT”* means National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

*“Out-of-state student”* means any individual enrolled in an approved out-of-state training program and participating in clinical or field experience portions.

*“Out-of-state training program”* means an EMS program located outside the state of Iowa that is approved by the authorizing agency of the program’s home state to conduct initial EMS training for first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other level certified by the department.

*“Outreach course coordinator”* means an individual who has been assigned by the training program to coordinate the activities of an emergency medical care provider course held outside the training program facilities.

*“Paramedic (EMT-P)”* means an emergency medical technician-paramedic.

*“Paramedic specialist (PS)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s EMT-Paramedic curriculum or equivalent, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as a paramedic specialist.

*“Patient”* means an individual who is sick, injured, or otherwise incapacitated.

*“Physician”* means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Physician assistant (PA)”* means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C.

*“Physician designee”* means a registered nurse licensed under Iowa Code chapter 152, or any physician assistant licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148C and approved by the board of physician assistant examiners. The physician designee acts as an intermediary for a supervising physician in accordance with written policies and protocols in directing the care provided by emergency medical care providers.

*“Preceptor”* means an individual who has been assigned by the training program, clinical facility or service program to supervise students while the students are completing their clinical or field experience. A preceptor must be an emergency medical care provider certified at the level at which the preceptor is providing supervision or a higher level, or must be licensed as a registered nurse, physician assistant or physician.

*“Primary instructor”* means an individual who is responsible for teaching the majority of an emergency medical care provider course.

*“Protocols”* means written directions and orders, consistent with the department’s standard of care, that are to be followed by an emergency medical care provider in emergency and nonemergency situations. Protocols must be approved by the service program’s medical director and address the care of both adult and pediatric patients.

*“Registered nurse (RN)”* means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

*“Service program”* or *“service”* means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

*“Service program area”* means the geographic area of responsibility served by any given ambulance or nontransport service program.

*“Student”* means any individual enrolled in a training program and participating in the didactic, clinical, or field experience portions.

*“Training program”* means an NCA-approved Iowa college or an Iowa hospital approved by the department to conduct emergency medical care training.

*“Training program director”* means an appropriate health care professional (full-time educator or practitioner of emergency or critical care) assigned by the training program to direct the operation of the training program.

*“Training program medical director”* means a physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A who is responsible for directing an emergency medical care training program.

**641—131.2(147A) Emergency medical care providers—requirements for enrollment in training programs.** To be enrolled in an EMS training program course leading to certification by the department, an applicant shall:

1. Be at least 17 years of age at the time of enrollment.
2. Have a high school diploma or its equivalent if enrolling in an EMT-I, EMT-P, or PS course.
3. Be able to speak, write and read English.

4. Hold a current course completion card in CPR if enrolling in an EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P, or PS course.
5. Be currently certified, as a minimum, as an EMT-B, if enrolling in an EMT-I, EMT-P, or PS course. If currently certified in another state as an EMT-B, the applicant must submit an endorsement application to the department within two weeks of the course start date.
6. Be a current EMS provider, RN, PA, or physician and submit a recommendation in writing from an approved EMS training program if enrolling in an EMS instructor course.
7. Be currently certified as a PS if enrolling in a CCP course.

**641—131.3(147A) Emergency medical care providers—EMS provider authority.**

**131.3(1)** Authority of emergency medical care personnel. An emergency medical care provider who holds an active certification issued by the department may:

*a.* Render, via on-line medical direction, emergency and nonemergency medical care in those areas for which the emergency medical care provider is certified as part of an authorized service program:

- (1) At the scene of an emergency;
- (2) During transportation to a hospital;
- (3) While in the hospital emergency department;
- (4) Until patient care is directly assumed by a physician or by authorized hospital personnel; and
- (5) During transfer from one medical care facility to another or to a private home.

*b.* Function in any hospital or any other entity in which health care is ordinarily provided only when under the direct supervision of a physician when:

- (1) Enrolled as a student in, and approved by, a training program;
- (2) Fulfilling continuing education requirements;
- (3) Employed by or assigned to a hospital or other entity in which health care is ordinarily provided only when under the direct supervision of a physician as a member of an authorized service program, or in an individual capacity, by rendering lifesaving services in the facility in which employed or assigned pursuant to the emergency medical care provider's certification and under direct supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse. An emergency medical care provider shall not routinely function without the direct supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse. However, when the physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse cannot directly assume emergency care of the patient, the emergency medical care provider may perform, without direct supervision, emergency medical care procedures for which certified, if the life of the patient is in immediate danger and such care is required to preserve the patient's life;

(4) Employed by or assigned to a hospital or other entity in which health care is ordinarily provided only under the direct supervision of a physician, as a member of an authorized service program, or in an individual capacity, to perform nonlifesaving procedures for which certified and designated in a written job description. Such procedures may be performed after the patient is observed by and when the emergency medical care provider is under the supervision of the physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse, including when the registered nurse is not acting in the capacity of a physician designee, and where the procedure may be immediately abandoned without risk to the patient.

**131.3(2)** When emergency medical care personnel are functioning in a capacity identified in subrule 131.3(1), paragraph "*a*," they may perform emergency and nonemergency medical care without contacting a supervising physician or physician designee if written protocols have been approved by the service program medical director which clearly identify when the protocols may be used in lieu of voice contact.

**131.3(3)** Scope of practice.

*a.* Emergency medical care providers shall provide only those services and procedures as are authorized within the scope of practice for which they are certified.

*b.* Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers (April 2005) is incorporated and adopted by reference for EMS providers. For any differences that may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

c. The department may grant a variance for changes to the Scope of Practice that have not yet been adopted by these rules. A variance to these rules may be granted by the department pursuant to 641—subrule 132.14(1).

d. Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319- 0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

**131.3(4)** The department may approve other emergency medical pilot project(s) on a limited basis. Requests for a pilot project application shall be made to the department.

**131.3(5)** An emergency medical care provider who has knowledge of an emergency medical care provider, service program or training program that has violated Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules shall report such information to the department within 30 days.

**641—131.4(147A) Emergency medical care providers—certification, renewal standards, procedures, continuing education, and fees.**

**131.4(1) Student application and candidate examination.**

a. Applicants shall complete the EMS Student Registration at the beginning of the course. EMS Student Registration shall be completed via the bureau of EMS Web site at [www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems).

b. EMS Student Registration shall be completed within 14 days after the course start date.

c. Upon satisfactory completion of the course and all training program requirements, including payment of appropriate fees, the candidate shall be recommended by the training program to take the state-approved certification examinations. A candidate recommended for state certification is not eligible to continue functioning as a student in the clinical and field setting. State certification must be obtained to perform appropriate skills.

d. The practical examination shall be administered using the standards and forms provided by the department. The training program shall notify the department at least four weeks prior to the administration of a practical examination.

e. Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

f. Candidates eligible to take the state written examination shall submit an EMS Certification Application form to the department. EMS Certification Application forms are provided by the department.

g. When a student's EMS Student Registration or a candidate's EMS Certification Application is referred to the department for investigation, the individual shall not be eligible for certification testing until approved by the department.

h. The written certification examination shall be administered at times and places determined by the department.

i. No oral certification examinations shall be permitted; however, candidates may be eligible for appropriate accommodations. The candidate should contact the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075 at least four weeks prior to the test date.

j. Certifying examination fees shall be approved by the department.

k. The fee for certification as an emergency medical care provider is \$30, payable to the Iowa Department of Public Health. This nonrefundable fee shall be paid prior to a candidate receiving certification.

l. A candidate who fails the practical certification examination shall be required to repeat only those stations that were failed and shall have two additional opportunities to attain a passing score. A candidate failing the practical certification examination on three full attempts must repeat the entire EMS training program to be eligible for certification.

(1) An FR or EMT-B candidate will test three practical stations and have three opportunities to pass those three stations. The candidate's first attempt at all three stations will constitute the first full attempt. Each retest of failed stations will constitute an additional full attempt.

(2) A full attempt for an EMT-I, EMT-P or PS candidate will consist of completing all skills and two retesting opportunities, if eligible. The candidate must provide documentation of remediation before taking a second or third full attempt.

*m.* The practical examination remains valid for a 12-month period from the date it was successfully completed. Required passing practical scores for FR, EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P, and PS shall be based on criteria established by the department.

*n.* A candidate who fails to attain the appropriate overall score on the written certification examination shall have two additional opportunities to complete the entire examination and attain a passing score. Required passing written scores for FR, EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P, and PS shall be based on criteria established by the department.

*o.* A candidate who fails to pass the written certification examination on the third attempt and who wishes to pursue certification must submit, at a minimum, written verification from an approved training program of successful completion of an appropriate refresher course or equivalent. Candidates failing the examination on six attempts must repeat the entire EMT training program to be eligible for certification.

*p.* All examination attempts shall be completed within two years of the initial course completion date. If an individual is unable to complete the testing within two years due to medical reasons or military obligation, an extension may be granted upon submission of a signed statement from an appropriate medical/military authority and approval by the department.

*q.* Examination scores shall be confidential except that they may be released to the training program that provided the training or to other appropriate state agencies, or released in a manner which does not permit the identification of an individual.

*r.* To be eligible to take the practical examination, FR candidates shall have a current course completion card in CPR.

*s.* Applicants for EMS-I endorsement shall successfully complete an EMS-Instructor curriculum approved by the department.

*t.* Applicants for ERT endorsement shall successfully complete an ERT curriculum approved by the department in cooperation with the department of public safety.

*u.* Payment of all appropriate certification/examination fees shall be made prior to the candidate's receiving certification.

**131.4(2) *Multiple certificates and renewal.***

*a.* The department shall consider the highest level of certification attained to be active. Any lower levels of certification shall be considered idle.

*b.* A lower level certificate may be issued if the individual fails to renew the higher level of certification or voluntarily chooses to move from a higher level to a lower level. To be issued a certificate in these instances, an individual shall:

(1) Complete all applicable continuing education requirements for the lower level during the certification period and submit a change of status request, available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

(2) Complete and submit to the department an EMS Affirmative Renewal of Certification Application and the applicable fee.

(3) Complete the reinstatement process in 131.4(3) "f" if renewal of the higher level is requested later.

*c.* A citation and warning, denial, probation, suspension or revocation imposed upon an individual certificate holder by the department shall be considered applicable to all certificates issued to that individual by the department.

**131.4(3) *Renewal of certification.***

*a.* A certificate shall be valid for two years from issuance unless specified otherwise on the certificate or unless sooner suspended or revoked.



b. All continuing education requirements shall be completed during the certification period prior to the certificate's expiration date. Failure to complete the continuing education requirements prior to the expiration date shall result in an expired certification.

c. The EMS Affirmative Renewal of Certification Application shall be submitted to the department within 90 days prior to the expiration date. Failure to submit a renewal application to the department within 90 days prior to the expiration date (based upon the postmark date) shall cause the current certification to expire.

d. Emergency medical care providers shall not function on an expired certification.

e. An individual who completes the required continuing education during the certification period, but fails to submit the EMS Affirmative Renewal of Certification Application within 90 days prior to the expiration date, shall be required to submit a late fee of \$30 (in addition to the renewal fee) and complete the audit process pursuant to 131.4(4) "i" to obtain renewal of certification.

f. An individual who has not completed the required continuing education during the certification period or who is seeking to reinstate an expired, inactive, or retired certificate shall:

- (1) Complete a refresher course or equivalent approved by the department.
- (2) Meet all applicable eligibility requirements.
- (3) Submit an EMS Reinstatement Application and the applicable fees to the department.
- (4) Pass the appropriate practical and written certification examinations.

g. If an individual is unable to complete the required continuing education during the certification period due to medical reasons or military obligation, an extension of certification may be issued upon submission of a signed statement from an appropriate medical/military authority and approval by the department.

h. An individual may request an inactive or retired status for a certificate. The request must be made to the department in writing. A certification card reflecting the inactive or retired status may be issued to the individual for a fee of \$30. Reinstatement of an inactive or retired certificate shall be made pursuant to 131.4(3) "f." A request for inactive or retired status, when accepted in connection with a disciplinary investigation or proceeding, has the same effect as an order of revocation.

**131.4(4) Continuing education renewal standards.** To be eligible for renewal through continuing education, the following standards shall apply:

a. The applicant shall sign and submit an Affirmative Renewal of Certification Application provided by the department and submit the applicable fee within 90 days prior to the certificate's expiration date.

b. The applicant shall complete the continuing education requirements, including current course completion in CPR, during the certification period for the following EMS provider levels:

- (1) FR, FR-D—12 hours of approved continuing education.
- (2) EMT-A, EMT-B, EMT-D—24 hours of approved continuing education.
- (3) EMT-I—36 hours of approved continuing education.
- (4) EMT-P—48 hours of approved continuing education.
- (5) PS—60 hours of approved continuing education.
- (6) EMS-I—Attend at least one EMS-I workshop sponsored by the department.
- (7) CCP—8 hours of approved CCP core curriculum topics.

c. At least 50 percent of the required hours for renewal shall be formal continuing education including, but not limited to, refresher programs, seminars, lecture programs, scenario-based programs, conferences, and Internet-delivered courses approved by CECBEMS and shall meet the criteria established in paragraph 131.4(6) "d."

d. Up to 50 percent of the required continuing education hours may be made up of any of the following:

- (1) Nationally recognized EMS-related courses;
- (2) EMS self-study courses;
- (3) Medical director or designee case reviews;
- (4) Clinical rounds with medical team (grand rounds);
- (5) Rescinded IAB 8/1/07, effective 9/5/07.

- (6) Working with students as an EMS field preceptor;
- (7) Hospital or nursing home clinical performance;
- (8) Skills workshops/maintenance;
- (9) Community public information education projects;
- (10) Emergency driver training;
- (11) EMS course audits;
- (12) Injury prevention or wellness initiatives;
- (13) EMS service operations, e.g., management programs, continuous quality improvement;
- (14) EMS system development meetings to include county, regional and state;
- (15) Disaster preparedness;
- (16) Emergency runs/responses as a volunteer member of an authorized EMS service program (primary attendant).

*e.* Additional hours may be allowed for any of the following (maximum):

- (1) CPR—2 hours;
- (2) Disaster drill—4 hours;
- (3) Rescue—4 hours;
- (4) Hazardous materials—8 hours;
- (5) Practical examination evaluator—4 hours;
- (6) Topics outside the provider's core curriculum—8 hours.

*f.* With training program approval, persons who are not enrolled in an emergency medical care provider course may audit those courses for CEHs.

*g.* Certificate holders must notify the department within 30 days of a change in address.

*h.* The certificate holder shall maintain a file containing documentation of continuing education hours accrued during each certification period for four years from the end of each certification period.

*i.* A group of individual certificate holders will be audited for each certification period. Certificate holders to be audited will be chosen in a random manner or at the discretion of the bureau of EMS. Falsifying reports or failure to comply with the audit request may result in formal disciplinary action. Certificate holders who are audited will be required to submit verification of continuing education compliance within 45 days of the request. If audited, the certificate holders must provide the following information:

- (1) Date of program.
- (2) Program sponsor number.
- (3) Title of program.
- (4) Number of approved hours.
- (5) Appropriate supervisor signatures if clinical or practical evaluator hours are claimed.

*j.* Instructors of EMS initial or continuing education courses may use those courses for renewal as approved under subrule 131.4(6).

**131.4(5) *Renewal by testing.***

*a.* To be eligible for renewal by testing, candidates shall meet the following standards:

(1) Submit a request to renew by testing to the department six months prior to the certificate's expiration date. Any testing fees will be in addition to renewal fees.

(2) Complete a Renewal by Testing Application provided by the department and schedule a test date with an EMS training program.

(3) Successfully complete the practical and written examinations.

*b.* Candidates who are unsuccessful by testing may renew under the continuing education standards in subrule 131.4(4); however, renewal must be completed prior to the certificate's expiration date.

*c.* Candidates who are unsuccessful by testing or who do not complete the continuing education requirements prior to the expiration date shall reinstate an expired certificate pursuant to 131.4(3) "f" if active certification is sought.

**131.4(6) *Continuing education approval.*** The following standards shall be applied for approval of continuing education:

a. Required CEHs identified in 131.4(4) “c” shall be approved by the department, CECBEMS, or an authorized EMS training program, using a sponsor number assignment system approved by the department.

b. Optional CEHs identified in 131.4(4) “d” and 131.4(4) “e” require no formal sponsor number; however, CEHs awarded shall be verified by an authorized EMS training program, a national EMS continuing education accreditation entity, a service program medical director, an appropriate community sponsor, or the department. Documentation of CEHs awarded shall include program or event, date and title, number of hours approved, and applicable signatures.

c. Courses in physical, social or behavioral sciences offered by accredited colleges and universities are approved for CEHs and need no further approval.

d. Courses approved as formal education must meet the following criteria:

(1) Involve live interaction with an instructor or be an Internet-delivered course approved by CECBEMS; and

(2) Be based on the appropriate department curricula for EMS providers and include one or more of the following topic areas: airway, patient assessment, trauma assessment and management, medical assessment and management, behavioral emergencies, obstetrics, gynecology, pediatrics, or patient care record documentation.

e. Programs developed and delivered by the department may be approved for formal education.

**131.4(7) Out-of-state continuing education.** Out-of-state continuing education courses will be accepted for CEHs if they meet the criteria in subrule 131.4(4) and have been approved for emergency medical care personnel in the state in which the courses were held. A copy of course completion certificates (or other verifying documentation) shall, upon request, be submitted to the department with the EMS Affirmative Renewal of Certification Application.

**131.4(8) Fees.** The following fees shall be collected by the department and shall be nonrefundable:

a. FR, EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P, and PS certification fee—\$30.

b. Certification renewal fees:

(1) FR and EMT-B—no fee.

(2) Renewal of EMT-I certification fee—\$10.

(3) Renewal of EMT-P and PS certification fee—\$25.

This fee is refundable if the applicant’s certification renewal status is not posted on the bureau of EMS Web site in the certification database within ten working days from the date the department receives the completed renewal application.

c. Endorsement certification fee—\$50.

d. Reinstatement fee—\$30.

e. Late fee—\$30.

f. Inactive or retired certificate—\$30.

g. Duplicate/replacement card—\$10.

h. Returned check—\$20.

**131.4(9) Certification through endorsement.** An individual currently certified by another state or a registrant of the National Registry of EMTs must also possess a current Iowa certificate to be considered certified in this state. The department shall contact the state of certification or the National Registry of EMTs to verify certification or registry and good standing.

a. To receive Iowa certification, the individual shall:

(1) Complete and submit the EMS Endorsement Application available from the department.

(2) Provide verification of current certification in another state or registration with the National Registry of EMTs.

(3) Provide verification of current course completion in CPR.

(4) Pass the appropriate Iowa practical and written certification examinations in accordance with subrule 131.4(1) within one year of the department’s approval of the endorsement candidate’s application. Current National Registry endorsement candidates are exempt from testing.

(5) Meet all other applicable eligibility requirements necessary for Iowa certification pursuant to these rules.

(6) Submit all applicable fees to the department.

b. An individual certified through endorsement shall satisfy the renewal and continuing education requirements set forth in subrule 131.4(3) to renew Iowa certification.

**131.4(10) *Temporary certification through endorsement.*** Upon written request, the endorsement applicant may be issued a temporary FR or EMT-B certification by the department. Temporary certification shall not exceed 12 months per application.

**131.4(11) *National registration in lieu of continuing education.***

a. An individual who is certified in Iowa and is registered with the NREMT may renew the individual's certification by meeting the NREMT reregistration requirements.

b. The individual shall submit the NREMT Registration in Lieu of Continuing Education Application, available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)), to the department, with proof of NREMT registration exceeding the current certification expiration date, within 90 days prior to the expiration date.

### **641—131.5(147A) Training programs—standards, application, inspection and approval.**

**131.5(1) *Curricula.***

a. The training program shall use the following course curricula approved by the department for certification.

(1) EMS provider curricula and course length:

1. First responder—Current DOT FR curriculum plus department enhancements, 50 to 60 hours.

2. EMT-B—Current DOT EMT-B curriculum plus department enhancements, 120 to 130 hours, clinical time or field time or both as necessary to complete objectives.

3. EMT-I—Iowa curriculum, 54 to 60 didactic hours, clinical and field time as necessary to complete objectives.

4. EMT-P—Current DOT EMT-I curriculum, 280 to 310 didactic hours, clinical and field time as necessary to complete objectives.

5. PS—Current DOT EMT-P curriculum, 600 to 660 didactic hours, clinical and field time as necessary to complete objectives.

6. Training programs that hold current accreditation by the Commission of Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs for the EMT-P are exempt from the minimum and maximum didactic hours for the EMT-P and PS courses.

(2) Specialty curricula:

1. EMS-I—Current DOT curriculum plus department enhancements.

2. ERT—Iowa curriculum.

3. CCP—Iowa curriculum, 80 to 90 didactic hours, clinical and field time as necessary to complete objectives.

4. EMS-E—Iowa curriculum.

b. Curriculum enhancements are available from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

c. The training program may waive portions of the required EMS provider training for individuals certified or licensed in other health care professions including, but not limited to, nursing, physician assistant, respiratory therapist, dentistry, and military. The training program shall document equivalent training and what portions of the course have been waived for equivalency.

**131.5(2) *Clinical or field experience resources.*** If clinical or field experience resources are located outside the framework of the training program, written agreements for such resources shall be obtained by the training program.

**131.5(3) *Facilities.***

a. There shall be adequate classroom, laboratory, and practice space to conduct the training program. A library with reference materials on emergency and critical care shall also be available.

b. Opportunities for the student to accomplish the appropriate skill competencies in the clinical environment shall be ensured. The following hospital units shall be available for clinical experience for each training program as required in approved curricula pursuant to subrule 131.5(1):

- (1) Emergency department;
- (2) Intensive care unit or coronary care unit or both;
- (3) Operating room and recovery room;
- (4) Intravenous or phlebotomy team, or other method to obtain IV experience;
- (5) Pediatric unit;
- (6) Labor and delivery suite, and newborn nursery; and
- (7) Psychiatric unit.

c. Opportunities for the student to accomplish the appropriate skill competencies in the field environment shall be ensured. The training program shall use an appropriate emergency medical care service program to provide field experience as required in approved curricula pursuant to subrule 131.5(1).

d. The training program shall have liability insurance and shall offer liability insurance to students while they are enrolled in a training program.

**131.5(4) Staff.**

a. The training program medical director shall be a physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A. It is recommended that the training program medical director complete a medical director workshop sponsored by the department.

b. A training program director shall be appointed who is an appropriate health care professional. This individual shall be a full-time educator or a practitioner in emergency or critical care. Current EMS instructor endorsement is also recommended, but not mandatory.

c. Course coordinators, outreach course coordinators, and primary instructors used by the training program shall be currently endorsed as EMS instructors.

d. The instructional staff shall be comprised of physicians, nurses, pharmacists, emergency medical care personnel, or other health care professionals who have appropriate education and experience in emergency and critical care. Current EMS instructor endorsement is also recommended, but not mandatory.

e. Preceptors shall be assigned in each of the clinical units in which emergency medical care students are obtaining clinical experience and field experience. The preceptors shall supervise student activities to ensure the quality and relevance of the experience. Student activity records shall be kept and reviewed by the immediate supervisor(s) and by the program director and course coordinator.

f. If a training program's medical director resigns, the training program director shall report this to the department and provide a curriculum vitae for the medical director's replacement. A new course shall not be started until a qualified medical director has been appointed.

g. The training program shall maintain records for each instructor used which include, as a minimum, the instructor's qualifications.

h. The training program is responsible for ensuring that each course instructor is experienced in the area being taught and adheres to the course curricula.

i. The training program shall ensure that each practical examination evaluator and mock patient is familiar with the practical examination requirements and procedures. Practical examination evaluators shall attend a workshop sponsored by the department.

**131.5(5) Advisory committee.** There shall be an advisory committee, which includes training program representatives, and other groups such as affiliated medical facilities, local medical establishments, and ambulance, rescue and first response service programs.

**131.5(6) Student records.** The training program shall maintain an individual record for each student. Training program policy and department requirements will determine contents. These requirements may include:

- a. Application;
- b. Current certifications and endorsements;

c. Student record or transcript of hours and performance (including examinations) in classroom, clinical, and field experience settings.

**131.5(7) Selection of students.** There may be a selection committee to select students using, as a minimum, the prerequisites outlined in rule 131.2(147A).

**131.5(8) Students.**

a. A student may perform any procedures and skills for which the student has received training, if the student is under the direct supervision of a physician or physician designee, or under the remote supervision of a physician or physician designee, with direct field supervision by an appropriately certified emergency medical care provider.

b. A student shall not be substituted for personnel of any affiliated medical facility or service program, but may be employed while enrolled in the training program.

c. A student is not eligible to continue functioning as a student of the training program in the clinical or field setting if the student is not in good standing with the training program, once the student has met the training program requirements, or once the student has been approved for certification testing.

**131.5(9) Financing and administration.**

a. There shall be sufficient funding available to the training program to ensure that each class started can be completed.

b. Tuition charged to students shall be accurately stated.

c. Advertising for training programs shall be appropriate.

d. The training program shall provide to each student, no later than the first session of the course, a guide that outlines, as a minimum:

(1) Course objectives.

(2) Required hours for completion.

(3) Minimum acceptable scores on interim testing.

(4) Attendance requirements.

(5) Grievance procedure.

(6) Disciplinary actions that may be invoked, the grounds for such actions, and the process provided.

(7) Requirements for certification.

**131.5(10) Training program application, inspection and approval.**

a. An applicant seeking initial or renewal training program approval shall use the EMS Training Program Application provided by the department. The application shall include, as a minimum:

(1) Names of appropriate officials of the applicant;

(2) Evidence of availability of clinical resources;

(3) Evidence of availability of physical facilities;

(4) Evidence of qualified faculty;

(5) Qualifications and major responsibilities of each faculty member;

(6) Policies used for selection, promotion, and graduation of trainees;

(7) Practices followed in safeguarding the health and well-being of trainees and of patients receiving emergency medical care within the scope of the training program; and

(8) Level(s) of EMS certification to be offered.

b. New training programs shall submit a needs assessment which justifies the need for the training program.

c. Applications shall be reviewed in accordance with the 2005 Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in the Emergency Medical Services Professions, published by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. Failure to comply with the standards may lead to disciplinary action as described in rule 641—131.8(152C).

d. An on-site inspection of the applicant's facilities and clinical resources will be performed. The purpose of the inspection is to examine educational objectives, patient care practices, facilities and administrative practices, and to prepare a written report for review and action by the department.

*e.* The department shall inspect each training program at least once every five years. The department without prior notification may make additional inspections at times, places and under such circumstances as it deems necessary to ensure compliance with Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules.

*f.* No person shall interfere with the inspection activities of the department or its agents. Interference with or failure to allow an inspection may be cause for disciplinary action regarding training program approval.

*g.* Representatives of the applicant may be required by the department to meet with the department at the time the application and inspection report are discussed.

*h.* A written report of department action accompanied by the department inspection report shall be sent to the applicant.

*i.* Training program approval shall not exceed five years.

*j.* The training program shall notify the department, in writing, of any change in ownership or control within 30 days.

*k.* Temporary variances. If during a period of authorization there is some occurrence that temporarily causes a training program to be in noncompliance with these rules, the department may grant a temporary variance. Temporary variances to these rules (not to exceed six months in length per any approved request) may be granted by the department to a currently authorized training program. Requests for temporary variances shall apply only to the training program requesting the variance and shall apply only to those requirements and standards for which the department is responsible. To request a variance, the training program shall:

(1) Notify the department verbally (as soon as possible) of the need to request a temporary variance. The program shall submit to the department, within ten days after having given verbal notification to the department, a written explanation for the temporary variance request. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

(2) Cite the rule from which the variance is requested.

(3) State why compliance with the rule cannot be maintained.

(4) Explain the alternative arrangements that have been or will be made regarding the variance request.

(5) Estimate the period of time for which the variance will be needed.

*l.* Training program applications and on-site inspection reports are public information.

**131.5(11) *Out-of-state training program application and approval.***

*a.* An out-of-state training program shall apply to the department for approval.

*b.* An applicant seeking department approval shall use the out-of-state training program application provided by the department. The application shall include, as a minimum:

(1) Verification of approval to conduct initial EMS training by the authorizing agency within the applicant's home state;

(2) Evidence of physician medical direction oversight;

(3) Evidence of qualified faculty;

(4) Evidence of curriculum utilized;

(5) Evidence of written contracts between the out-of-state training program and clinical and field sites being utilized within Iowa; and

(6) Description of practices followed in safeguarding the health and well-being of trainees and of patients receiving emergency medical care within the scope of the training program.

*c.* An out-of-state training program shall provide the department with a roster of students who will be participating in the clinical or field experience within the state of Iowa and, for each program, the sites where they will be participating.

*d.* An out-of-state training program shall not be authorized to provide initial EMS training within the state of Iowa.

*e.* An out-of-state training program shall be limited to utilization of clinical or field sites or both within Iowa.

*f.* Representatives of the applicant may be required by the department to meet with the department at the time the application is discussed.

*g.* An out-of-state training program approval shall not exceed five years.

*h.* An out-of-state training program shall notify the department, in writing, of any change in ownership, control, or approval status by the out-of-state training program's authorizing state agency within 30 days.

**131.5(12) *Out-of-state students.***

*a.* An out-of-state student shall be a registered student in good standing of an approved out-of-state training program.

*b.* An out-of-state student may perform any procedure and skills that the student is training for provided that the skill is within the Iowa scope of practice policy of a comparable Iowa EMS provider. The student must be under the direct supervision of a physician or physician designee, or under the remote supervision of a physician or physician designee, with direct supervision by an appropriately certified emergency medical care provider.

*c.* An out-of-state student shall not be substituted for personnel of any affiliated medical facility or service program, but may be employed while enrolled in the training program.

*d.* An out-of-state student participating in the clinical or field setting within the state of Iowa shall provide documentation of liability insurance.

*e.* An out-of-state student is not eligible to continue functioning as a student of the approved out-of-state training program in the clinical or field setting if the student is not in good standing with the approved out-of-state training program, once the student has met the training program's requirements, or once the student has been approved for certification testing.

*f.* An out-of-state student shall not be eligible for Iowa EMS certification without meeting the requirements for certification through endorsement in 131.4(9).

**641—131.6(147A) Continuing education providers—approval, record keeping and inspection.**

**131.6(1)** Continuing education courses for emergency medical care personnel may be approved by the department, EMS training program or a national EMS continuing education accreditation entity.

**131.6(2)** A training program may conduct continuing education courses (utilizing appropriate instructors) pursuant to subrule 131.4(4).

*a.* Each training program shall assign a sponsor number to each appropriate continuing education course using an assignment system approved by the department.

*b.* Course approval shall be made prior to the course's being offered.

*c.* Each training program shall maintain a participant record that includes, as a minimum:

(1) Name.

(2) Address.

(3) Certification number.

(4) Course sponsor number.

(5) Course instructor.

(6) Date of course.

(7) CEHs awarded.

*d.* Each training program shall submit to the department on a quarterly basis a completed Approved EMS Continuing Education form.

**131.6(3) Record keeping and record inspection.**

*a.* The department may request additional information or inspect the records of any continuing education provider who is currently approved or who is seeking approval to ensure compliance or to verify the validity of any training program application.

*b.* No person shall interfere with the inspection activities of the department or its agents. Interference with or failure to allow an inspection may be cause for disciplinary action regarding training program approval.



**641—131.7(147A) Complaints and investigations—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation of emergency medical care personnel certificates or renewal.**

**131.7(1)** This rule is not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

**131.7(2)** The department may deny an application for issuance or renewal of an emergency medical care provider certificate, including endorsement, or place on probation, or issue a citation and warning, or suspend or revoke the certificate when it finds that the applicant or certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

- a.* Negligence in performing emergency medical care.
- b.* Failure to follow the directions of supervising physicians or their designees.
- c.* Rendering treatment not authorized under Iowa Code chapter 147A.
- d.* Fraud in procuring certification or renewal including, but not limited to:
  - (1) An intentional perversion of the truth in making application for a certification to practice in this state;
  - (2) False representations of a material fact, whether by word or by conduct, by false or misleading allegations, or by concealment of that which should have been disclosed when making application for a certification in this state; or
  - (3) Attempting to file or filing with the Iowa department of public health or training program any false or forged diploma or certificate or affidavit or identification or qualification in making an application for a certification in this state.
- e.* Professional incompetency. Professional incompetency includes, but is not limited to:
  - (1) A substantial lack of knowledge or ability to discharge professional obligations within the scope of practice.
  - (2) A substantial deviation from the standards of learning or skill ordinarily possessed and applied by other EMS providers in the state of Iowa acting in the same or similar circumstances.
  - (3) A failure to exercise the degree of care which is ordinarily exercised by the average EMS provider acting in the same or similar circumstances.
  - (4) Failure to conform to the minimal standard of acceptable and prevailing practice of certified EMS providers in this state.
- f.* Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue or fraudulent representations in the practice of the profession or engaging in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established. Acts which may constitute unethical conduct include, but are not limited to:
  - (1) Verbally or physically abusing a patient or coworker.
  - (2) Improper sexual contact with or making suggestive, lewd, lascivious or improper remarks or advances to a patient or coworker.
  - (3) Betrayal of a professional confidence.
  - (4) Engaging in a professional conflict of interest.
  - (5) Falsification of medical records.
- g.* Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.
- h.* Failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with an investigation of the department.
- i.* Failure to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.
- j.* Failure to report another EMS provider to the department for any violations listed in these rules, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A.
- k.* Knowingly aiding, assisting or advising a person to unlawfully practice EMS.
- l.* Representing oneself as an EMS provider when one's certification has been suspended or revoked, or when one's certification is lapsed or has been placed on inactive status.
- m.* Permitting the use of a certification by a noncertified person for any purpose.
- n.* Mental or physical inability reasonably related to and adversely affecting the EMS provider's ability to practice in a safe and competent manner.

- o.* Being adjudged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- p.* An EMS provider shall not sexually harass a patient, student, or supervisee. Sexual harassment includes sexual advances, sexual solicitation, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.
- q.* Habitual intoxication or addiction to drugs.
  - (1) The inability of an EMS provider to practice with reasonable skill and safety by reason of the excessive use of alcohol on a continuing basis.
  - (2) The excessive use of drugs which may impair an EMS provider's ability to practice with reasonable skill or safety.
  - (3) Obtaining, possessing, attempting to obtain or possess, or administering controlled substances without lawful authority.
- r.* Fraud in representation as to skill, ability or certification.
- s.* Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules.
- t.* Violating a statute of this state, another state, or the United States, without regard to its designation as either a felony or misdemeanor, which relates to the provision of emergency medical care, including but not limited to a crime involving dishonesty, fraud, theft, embezzlement, controlled substances, substance abuse, assault, sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, or homicide. A copy of the record of conviction or plea of guilty is conclusive evidence of the violation.
- u.* Having certification to practice emergency medical care suspended or revoked, or having other disciplinary action taken by a licensing or certifying authority of another state, territory or country. A certified copy of the record or order of suspension, revocation or disciplinary action is conclusive or prima facie evidence.
- v.* Falsifying certification renewal reports or failure to comply with the renewal audit request.
- w.* Acceptance of any fee by fraud or misrepresentation.
- x.* Repeated failure to comply with standard precautions for preventing transmission of infectious diseases as issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.
- y.* Privacy and confidentiality. An EMS provider shall not disclose or be compelled to disclose patient information unless required or authorized by law.
- z.* Discrimination. An EMS provider shall not practice, condone, or facilitate discrimination against a patient, student, or supervisee on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, color, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, political belief, religion, mental or physical disability, diagnosis, or social or economic status.
  - aa.* Practicing emergency medical services or using a designation of certification or otherwise holding oneself out as practicing emergency medical services at a certain level of certification when the EMS provider is not certified at such level.

**641—131.8(147A) Complaints and investigations—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation of training program or continuing education provider approval or renewal.**

**131.8(1)** This rule is not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

**131.8(2)** The department may deny an application for approval or renewal, or issue a citation and warning, or place on probation, or suspend or revoke the approval or renewal when it finds that the applicant has failed to meet the applicable provisions of these rules or has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

- a.* Fraud in procuring approval or renewal.
- b.* Falsification of training or continuing education records.
- c.* Suspension or revocation of approval to provide emergency medical care training or other disciplinary action taken pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A. A certified copy of the record or order of suspension, revocation or disciplinary action is conclusive or prima facie evidence.
- d.* Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert a department investigation.

- e.* Failure to respond within 30 days of receipt of communication from the department which was sent by registered or certified mail.
- f.* Failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with an investigation of the department.
- g.* Failure to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order.
- h.* Submission of a false report of continuing education or failure to submit the quarterly report of continuing education.
- i.* Knowingly aiding, assisting or advising a person to unlawfully practice EMS.
- j.* Representing itself as an approved training program or continuing education provider when approval has been suspended or revoked or when approval has lapsed or has been placed on inactive status.
- k.* Using an unqualified individual as an instructor or evaluator.
- l.* Allowing verbal or physical abuse of a student or coworker.
- m.* A training program provider or continuing education provider shall not sexually harass a patient, student, or supervisee. Sexual harassment includes sexual advances, sexual solicitation, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.
- n.* Betrayal of a professional confidence.
- o.* Engaging in a professional conflict of interest.
- p.* A training program or continuing education provider shall not practice, condone, or facilitate discrimination against a patient, student, or supervisee on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, color, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, political belief, religion, mental or physical disability, diagnosis, or social or economic status.
- q.* Failure to comply with the 2005 Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in the Emergency Medical Services Professions, published by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.

**641—131.9(147A) Reinstatement of certification.**

**131.9(1)** Any person whose certification to practice has been revoked or suspended may apply to the department for reinstatement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the order of revocation or suspension, unless the order of revocation provides that the certification is permanently revoked.

**131.9(2)** If the order of revocation or suspension did not establish terms and conditions upon which reinstatement might occur, or if the certification was voluntarily surrendered, an initial application for reinstatement may not be made until one year has elapsed from the date of the order or the date of the voluntary surrender.

**131.9(3)** All proceedings for reinstatement shall be initiated by the respondent, who shall file with the department an application for reinstatement of the certification. Such application shall be docketed in the original case in which the certification was revoked, suspended, or relinquished. All proceedings upon the application for reinstatement shall be subject to the same rules of procedure as other cases before the department.

**131.9(4)** An application for reinstatement shall allege facts which, if established, will be sufficient to enable the department to determine that the basis for the revocation or suspension of the respondent's certification no longer exists and that it will be in the public interest for the certification to be reinstated. The burden of proof to establish such facts shall be on the respondent.

**131.9(5)** An order denying or granting reinstatement shall be based upon a decision which incorporates findings of facts and conclusions of law. The order shall be published as provided for in this chapter.

**641—131.10(147A) Certification denial.**

**131.10(1)** An applicant who has been denied certification by the department may appeal the denial and request a hearing on the issues related to the licensure denial by serving a notice of appeal and request for hearing upon the department not more than 20 days following the date of mailing of the notification

of certification denial to the applicant. The request for hearing shall specifically delineate the facts to be contested at hearing.

**131.10(2)** All hearings held pursuant to this rule shall be held pursuant to the process outlined in this chapter.

**641—131.11(147A) Emergency adjudicative proceedings.** To the extent necessary to prevent or avoid immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, and consistent with the Constitution and other provisions of law, the department may issue a written order in compliance with Iowa Code section 17A.18 to suspend a certificate in whole or in part, order the cessation of any continuing activity, order affirmative action, or take other action within the jurisdiction of the department by emergency adjudicative order.

**131.11(1)** Before issuing an emergency adjudicative order, the department shall consider factors including, but not limited to, the following:

- a.* Whether there has been a sufficient factual investigation to ensure that the department is proceeding on the basis of reliable information;
- b.* Whether the specific circumstances which pose immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare have been identified and determined to be continuing;
- c.* Whether the individual required to comply with the emergency adjudicative order may continue to engage in other activities without posing immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare;
- d.* Whether imposition of monitoring requirements or other interim safeguards would be sufficient to protect the public health, safety or welfare; and
- e.* Whether the specific action contemplated by the department is necessary to avoid the immediate danger.

**131.11(2)** Issuance of order.

*a.* An emergency adjudicative order shall contain findings of fact, conclusions of law, and policy reasons to justify the determination of an immediate danger in the department's decision to take immediate action. The order is a public record.

*b.* The written emergency adjudicative order shall be immediately delivered to the individual who is required to comply with the order by utilizing one or more of the following procedures:

- (1) Personal delivery.
- (2) Certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last address on file with the department.
- (3) Fax. Fax may be used as the sole method of delivery if the service program required to comply with the order has filed a written request that agency orders be sent by fax and has provided a fax number for that purpose.

*c.* To the degree practicable, the department shall select the procedure for providing written notice that best ensures prompt, reliable delivery.

*d.* Unless the written emergency adjudicative order is provided by personal delivery on the same day that the order issues, the department shall make reasonable immediate efforts to contact by telephone the individual who is required to comply with the order.

*e.* After the issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, the department shall proceed as quickly as feasible to complete any proceedings that would be required if the matter did not involve an immediate danger.

*f.* Issuance of a written emergency adjudicative order shall include notification of the date on which department proceedings are scheduled for completion. After issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, continuance of further department proceedings to a later date will be granted only in compelling circumstances upon application in writing unless the service program that is required to comply with the order is the party requesting the continuance.

**641—131.12(147A) Complaints, investigations and appeals.**

**131.12(1)** This rule is not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

**131.12(2)** All complaints regarding emergency medical care personnel, training programs or continuing education providers, or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported

to the department in writing. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**131.12(3)** An emergency medical care provider who has knowledge of an emergency medical care provider or service program that has violated Iowa Code chapter 147A, 641—Chapter 132 or these rules shall report such information to the department.

**131.12(4)** Complaint investigations may result in the department's issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**131.12(5)** A determination of mental incompetence by a court of competent jurisdiction automatically suspends a certificate for the duration of the certificate unless the department orders otherwise.

**131.12(6)** Notice of denial, issuance of a citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the alleged violator of denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**131.12(7)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice to take action. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**131.12(8)** Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the department shall forward the request within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**131.12(9)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10.

**131.12(10)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 131.12(11).

**131.12(11)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**131.12(12)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**131.12(13)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**131.12(14)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**131.12(15)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**131.12(16)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**131.12(17)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, the news media or employer.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

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CHAPTER 132  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES—SERVICE PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION

[Joint Rules pursuant to 147A.4]

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**641—132.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Air ambulance*” means any privately or publicly owned rotorcraft or fixed-wing aircraft which may be specifically designed, modified, constructed, equipped, staffed and used regularly to transport the sick, injured or otherwise incapacitated who are in need of out-of-hospital emergency medical care or whose condition requires treatment or continuous observation while being transported.

“*Ambulance*” means any privately or publicly owned ground vehicle specifically designed, modified, constructed, equipped, staffed and used regularly to transport the sick, injured or otherwise incapacitated.

“*Ambulance service*” means any privately or publicly owned service program which utilizes ambulances in order to provide patient transportation and emergency medical services.

“*Automated defibrillator*” means any external semiautomatic device that determines whether defibrillation is required.

“*Automated external defibrillator*” or “*AED*” means an external semiautomated device that determines whether defibrillation is required.

“*Basic ambulance service*” means an ambulance service that provides patient treatment at the basic care level.

“*Basic care*” means treatment interventions, appropriate to certification level, that provide minimum care to the patient including, but not limited to, CPR, bandaging, splinting, oxygen administration, spinal immobilization, oral airway insertion and suctioning, antishock garment, vital sign assessment and administration of over-the-counter drugs.

“*CEH*” means “continuing education hour” which is based upon a minimum of 50 minutes of training per hour.

“*Continuous quality improvement (CQI)*” means a program that is an ongoing process to monitor standards at all EMS operational levels including the structure, process, and outcomes of the patient care event.

“*CPR*” means training and successful course completion in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, AED and obstructed airway procedures for all age groups according to recognized national standards.

“*Critical care paramedic (CCP)*” means a currently certified paramedic specialist who has successfully completed a critical care course of instruction approved by the department and has received endorsement from the department as a critical care paramedic.

“*Critical care transport (CCT)*” means specialty care patient transportation when medically necessary, for a critically ill or injured patient needing critical care paramedic (CCP) skills, between medical care facilities, and provided by an authorized ambulance service that is approved by the department to provide critical care transportation and staffed by one or more critical care paramedics or other health care professional in an appropriate specialty area.

“*Current course completion*” means written recognition given for training and successful course completion of CPR with an expiration date or a recommended renewal date that exceeds the current date.

“*Deficiency*” means noncompliance with Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Direct supervision*” means services provided by an EMS provider in a hospital setting or other health care entity in which health care is ordinarily performed when in the personal presence of a physician or under the direction of a physician who is immediately available or under the direction of a physician assistant or registered nurse who is immediately available and is acting consistent with adopted policies and protocols of a hospital or other health care entity.

“*Emergency medical care*” means such medical procedures as:

1. Administration of intravenous solutions.
2. Intubation.
3. Performance of cardiac defibrillation and synchronized cardioversion.
4. Administration of emergency drugs as provided by protocol.
5. Any medical procedure authorized by 131.3(3).

*“Emergency medical care provider”* means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

*“Emergency medical services”* or *“EMS”* means an integrated medical care delivery system to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the scene or during out-of-hospital patient transportation in an ambulance.

*“Emergency medical technician-basic (EMT-B)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s Emergency Medical Technician-Basic curriculum and department enhancements, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-B.

*“Emergency medical technician-intermediate (EMT-I)”* means an individual who has successfully completed an EMT-intermediate curriculum approved by the department, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-I.

*“Emergency medical technician-paramedic (EMT-P)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s EMT-intermediate curriculum or the 1985 or earlier DOT EMT-P curriculum, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an EMT-P.

*“Emergency medical transportation”* means the transportation, by ambulance, of sick, injured or otherwise incapacitated persons who require emergency medical care.

*“EMS advisory council”* means a council appointed by the director to advise the director and develop policy recommendations concerning regulation, administration, and coordination of emergency medical services in the state.

*“EMS contingency plan”* means an agreement or dispatching policy between two or more ambulance service programs that addresses how and under what circumstances patient transportation will be provided in a given service area when coverage is not possible due to unforeseen circumstances.

*“EMS system”* is any specific arrangement of emergency medical personnel, equipment, and supplies designed to function in a coordinated fashion.

*“Endorsement”* means providing approval in an area related to emergency medical care including, but not limited to, CCP and emergency medical services.

*“First responder (FR)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s First Responder curriculum and department enhancements, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as an FR.

*“First response vehicle”* means any privately or publicly owned vehicle which is used solely for the transportation of emergency medical care personnel and equipment to and from the scene of a medical or nonmedical emergency.

*“Hospital”* means any hospital licensed under the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 135B.

*“Inclusion criteria”* means criteria determined by the department and adopted by reference to determine which patients are to be included in the Iowa EMS service program registry or the trauma registry.

*“Intermediate”* means an emergency medical technician-intermediate.

*“Iowa EMS Patient Registry Data Dictionary”* means reportable data elements for all ambulance service responses and definitions determined by the department and adopted by reference.

*“Medical direction”* means direction, advice, or orders provided by a medical director, supervising physician, or physician designee (in accordance with written parameters and protocols) to emergency medical care personnel.



*“Medical director”* means any physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A who shall be responsible for overall medical direction of the service program and who has completed a medical director workshop, sponsored by the department, within one year of assuming duties.

*“Mutual aid”* means an agreement, preferably in writing, between two or more services that addresses how and under what circumstances each service will respond to a request for assistance in situations that exhaust available resources.

*“Nonemergency transportation”* means transportation that may be provided for those persons determined to need transportation only.

*“Nontransport service”* means any privately or publicly owned rescue or first response service program which does not provide patient transportation (except when no ambulance is available or in a disaster situation) and utilizes only rescue or first response vehicles to provide emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency.

*“Off-line medical direction”* means the monitoring of EMS providers through retrospective field assessments and treatment documentation review, critiques of selected cases with the EMS personnel, and statistical review of the system.

*“On-line medical direction”* means immediate medical direction provided directly to service program EMS providers, in accordance with written parameters and protocols, by the medical director, supervising physician or physician designee either on-scene or by any telecommunications system.

*“Paramedic (EMT-P)”* means an emergency medical technician-paramedic.

*“Paramedic specialist (PS)”* means an individual who has successfully completed the current United States Department of Transportation’s EMT-Paramedic curriculum or equivalent, passed the department’s approved written and practical examinations, and is currently certified by the department as a paramedic specialist.

*“Patient”* means any individual who is sick, injured, or otherwise incapacitated.

*“Patient care report (PCR)”* means a computerized or written report that documents the assessment and management of the patient by the emergency care provider in the out-of-hospital setting.

*“Physician”* means any individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Physician assistant (PA)”* means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C.

*“Physician designee”* means any registered nurse licensed under Iowa Code chapter 152, or any physician assistant licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148C and approved by the board of physician assistant examiners. The physician designee acts as an intermediary for a supervising physician in accordance with written policies and protocols in directing the care provided by emergency medical care providers.

*“Preceptor”* means an individual who has been assigned by the training program, clinical facility or service program to supervise students while the students are completing their clinical or field experience. A preceptor must be an emergency medical care provider certified at the level being supervised or higher, or must be licensed as a registered nurse, physician’s assistant or physician.

*“Protocols”* means written directions and orders, consistent with the department’s standard of care, that are to be followed by an emergency medical care provider in emergency and nonemergency situations. Protocols must be approved by the service program’s medical director and address the care of both adult and pediatric patients.

*“Registered nurse (RN)”* means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

*“Reportable patient data”* means data elements and definitions determined by the department and adopted by reference to be reported to the Iowa EMS service program registry or the trauma registry or a trauma care facility on patients meeting the inclusion criteria.

*“Rescue vehicle”* means any privately or publicly owned vehicle which is specifically designed, modified, constructed, equipped, staffed and used regularly for rescue or extrication purposes at the scene of a medical or nonmedical emergency.

*“Rotorcraft ambulance”* means any privately or publicly owned rotorcraft specifically designed, modified, constructed, equipped, staffed and used regularly to transport the sick, injured or otherwise incapacitated who are in need of out-of-hospital emergency medical care or whose condition requires treatment or continuous observation while being transported.

“*Service director*” means an individual who is responsible for the operation and administration of a service program.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*Service program area*” means the geographic area of responsibility served by any given ambulance or nontransport service program.

“*Student*” means any individual enrolled in a training program and participating in the didactic, clinical, or field experience portions.

“*Supervising physician*” means any physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A. The supervising physician is responsible for medical direction of emergency medical care personnel when such personnel are providing emergency medical care.

“*Tiered response*” means a rendezvous of service programs to allow the transfer of patient care.

“*Training program*” means an NCA-approved Iowa college, the Iowa law enforcement academy or an Iowa hospital approved by the department to conduct emergency medical care training.

“*Transport agreement*” means a written agreement between two or more service programs that specifies the duties and responsibilities of the agreeing parties to ensure appropriate transportation of patients in a given service area.

#### **641—132.2(147A) Authority of emergency medical care provider.**

**132.2(1)** Rescinded IAB 2/7/01, effective 3/14/01.

**132.2(2)** An emergency medical care provider who holds an active certification issued by the department may:

*a.* Render via on-line medical direction emergency and nonemergency medical care in those areas for which the emergency medical care provider is certified, as part of an authorized service program:

- (1) At the scene of an emergency;
- (2) During transportation to a hospital;
- (3) While in the hospital emergency department;
- (4) Until patient care is directly assumed by a physician or by authorized hospital personnel; and
- (5) During transfer from one medical care facility to another or to a private home.

*b.* Function in any hospital or any other entity in which health care is ordinarily provided only when under the direct supervision of a physician when:

- (1) Enrolled as a student in and approved by a training program;
- (2) Fulfilling continuing education requirements;
- (3) Employed by or assigned to a hospital or other entity in which health care is ordinarily

provided only when under the direct supervision of a physician as a member of an authorized service program, or in an individual capacity, by rendering lifesaving services in the facility in which employed or assigned pursuant to the emergency medical care provider’s certification and under direct supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse. An emergency medical care provider shall not routinely function without the direct supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse. However, when the physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse cannot directly assume emergency care of the patient, the emergency medical care personnel may perform, without direct supervision, emergency medical care procedures for which certified, if the life of the patient is in immediate danger and such care is required to preserve the patient’s life;

(4) Employed by or assigned to a hospital or other entity in which health care is ordinarily provided only when under the direct supervision of a physician, as a member of an authorized service program, or in an individual capacity, to perform nonlifesaving procedures for which certified and designated in a written job description. Such procedures may be performed after the patient is observed by and when the emergency medical care provider is under the supervision of the physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse, including when the registered nurse is not acting in the capacity of a physician designee, and where the procedure may be immediately abandoned without risk to the patient.

**132.2(3)** When emergency medical care personnel are functioning in a capacity identified in subrule 132.2(2), paragraph “*a*,” they may perform emergency and nonemergency medical care without

contacting a supervising physician or physician designee if written protocols have been approved by the service program medical director which clearly identify when the protocols may be used in lieu of voice contact.

**132.2(4) Scope of practice.**

a. Emergency medical care providers shall provide only those services and procedures as are authorized within the scope of practice for which they are certified.

b. Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers (April 2005) is incorporated and adopted by reference for EMS providers. For any differences that may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

c. The department may grant a variance for changes to the Scope of Practice that have not yet been adopted by these rules. A variance to these rules may be granted by the department pursuant to 132.14(1).

d. Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

**132.2(5)** The department may approve other emergency medical care skills on a limited pilot project basis. Requests for a pilot project application shall be made to the department.

**132.2(6)** An emergency medical care provider who has knowledge of an emergency medical care provider, service program or training program that has violated Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules shall report such information to the department within 30 days.

**641—132.3(147A) Emergency medical care providers—requirements for enrollment in training programs.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.4(147A) Emergency medical care providers—certification, renewal standards and procedures, and fees.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.5(147A) Training programs—standards, application, inspection and approval.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.6(147A) Continuing education providers—approval, record keeping and inspection.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.7(147A) Service program—authorization and renewal procedures, inspections and transfer or assignment of certificates of authorization.**

**132.7(1) General requirements for authorization and renewal of authorization.**

a. An ambulance or nontransport service in this state that desires to provide emergency medical care, in the out-of-hospital setting, shall apply to the department for authorization to establish a program utilizing certified emergency medical care providers for delivery of care at the scene of an emergency or nonemergency, during transportation to a hospital, during transfer from one medical care facility to another or to a private home, or while in the hospital emergency department and until care is directly assumed by a physician or by authorized hospital personnel. Application for authorization shall be made on forms provided by the department. Applicants shall complete and submit the forms to the department at least 30 days prior to the anticipated date of authorization.

b. To renew service program authorization, the service program shall continue to meet the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules. The renewal application shall be completed and submitted to the department at least 30 days before the current authorization expires.

c. Applications for authorization and renewal of authorization may be obtained upon request to: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

d. The department shall approve an application when the department is satisfied that the program proposed by the application will be operated in compliance with Iowa Code chapter 147A and these administrative rules.

*e.* Service program authorization is valid for a period of three years from its effective date unless otherwise specified on the certificate of authorization or unless sooner suspended or revoked.

*f.* Service programs shall be fully operational upon the effective date and at the level specified on the certificate of authorization and shall meet all applicable requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules. Deficiencies that are identified shall be corrected within a time frame determined by the department.

*g.* The certificate of authorization shall be issued only to the service program based in the city named in the application and shall not be inclusive of any other base of operation when that base of operation is located in a different city. Any ambulance service or nontransport service that is based in and operates from more than one city shall apply for and, if approved, shall receive a separate authorization for each base of operation that desires to provide emergency medical care.

*h.* Any service program owner in possession of a certificate of authorization as a result of transfer or assignment shall continue to meet all applicable requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules. In addition, the new owner shall apply to the department for a new certificate of authorization within 30 days following the effective date of the transfer or assignment.

*i.* Service programs that acquire and maintain current status with a nationally recognized EMS service program accreditation entity that meets or exceeds Iowa requirements may be exempted from the service application/inspection process. A copy of the state service application and accreditation inspection must be filed with the department for approval.

**132.7(2) *Out-of-state service programs.***

*a.* Service programs located in other states which wish to provide emergency medical care in Iowa must meet all requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules and must be authorized by the department except when:

- (1) Transporting patients from locations within Iowa to destinations outside of Iowa;
- (2) Transporting patients from locations outside of Iowa to destinations within Iowa;
- (3) Transporting patients to or from locations outside of Iowa that requires travel through Iowa;
- (4) Responding to a request for mutual aid in this state; or
- (5) Making an occasional EMS response to locations within Iowa and then transporting the patients to destinations within Iowa.

*b.* An out-of-state service program that meets any of the exception criteria established in 132.7(2) shall be authorized to provide emergency medical care by the state in which the program resides and shall provide the department with verification of current state authorization upon request.

**132.7(3) *Air ambulances.***

*a.* Air ambulances shall meet all applicable requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules.

*b.* Air ambulances shall not be subject to the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules except when utilizing an emergency medical care provider to provide emergency medical care. In such instances, an emergency medical care provider shall function at the appropriate level of care as identified in the scope of practice pursuant to subrule 132.2(4).

**132.7(4) *Service program inspections.***

*a.* The department shall inspect each service program at least once every three years. The department without prior notification may make additional inspections at times, places and under such circumstances as it deems necessary to ensure compliance with Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules.

*b.* The department may request additional information from or may inspect the records of any service program which is currently authorized or which is seeking authorization to ensure continued compliance or to verify the validity of any information presented on the application for service program authorization.

*c.* The department may inspect the patient care records of a service program to verify compliance with Iowa Code chapter 147A and these rules.

*d.* No person shall interfere with the inspection activities of the department or its agents pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.36.

*e.* Interference with or failure to allow an inspection by the department or its agents may be cause for disciplinary action in reference to service program authorization.

**132.7(5) Temporary service program authorization.**

*a.* A temporary service program authorization may be issued to services that wish to operate during special events that may need emergency medical care coverage at a level other than basic care. Temporary authorization is valid for a period of 30 days unless otherwise specified on the certificate of authorization or unless sooner suspended or revoked. Temporary authorization shall apply to those requirements and standards for which the department is responsible. Applicants shall complete and submit the necessary forms to the department at least 30 days prior to the anticipated date of need.

*b.* The service shall meet applicable requirement of these rules, but may apply for a variance using the criteria outlined in rule 132.14(147A).

*c.* The service shall submit a justification which demonstrates the need for the temporary service program authorization.

*d.* The service shall submit a report, to the department, within 30 days after the expiration of the temporary authorization which includes as a minimum:

- (1) Number of patients treated;
- (2) Types of treatment rendered;
- (3) Any operational or medical problems.

**132.7(6) Conditional service program authorization.** Rescinded IAB 2/6/02, effective 3/13/02.

**641—132.8(147A) Service program levels of care and staffing standards.**

**132.8(1)** A service program seeking ambulance authorization shall:

*a.* Apply for authorization at one of the following levels:

- (1) EMT-B.
- (2) EMT-I.
- (3) EMT-P.
- (4) PS.

*b.* Maintain an adequate number of ambulances and personnel to provide 24-hour-per-day, 7-day-per-week coverage. Ambulances shall comply with paragraph 132.8(1)“*d.*” The number of ambulances and personnel to be maintained shall be determined by the department, and shall be based upon, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Number of calls;
- (2) Service area and population; and
- (3) Availability of other services in the area.

*c.* Provide as a minimum, on each ambulance call, the following staff:

- (1) One currently certified EMT-B.
- (2) One currently licensed driver. The service shall document each driver’s training in CPR (AED training not required), in emergency driving techniques and in the use of the service’s communications equipment.

*d.* Submit an EMS contingency plan that will be put into operation when coverage pursuant to the 24/7 rule in paragraph 132.8(1)“*b.*” is not possible due to unforeseen circumstances.

*e.* Report frequency of use of the contingency plan to the department upon request.

*f.* Seek approval from the department to provide nontransport coverage in addition to or in lieu of ambulance authorization.

*g.* Advertise or otherwise imply or hold itself out to the public as an authorized ambulance service only to the level of care maintained 24 hours per day, seven days a week.

*h.* Apply to the department to receive approval to provide critical care transportation based upon appropriately trained staff and approved equipment.

*i.* Unless otherwise established by protocol approved by the medical director, the emergency medical care provider with the highest level of certification (on the transporting service) shall attend the patient.

**132.8(2)** A service program seeking nontransport authorization shall:

- a. Apply for authorization at one of the following levels:
  - (1) Basic care.
  - (2) First responder.
  - (3) EMT-B.
  - (4) EMT-I.
  - (5) EMT-P.
  - (6) PS.
- b. For staffing purposes provide, as a minimum, a transport agreement.
- c. Advertise or otherwise hold itself out to the public as an authorized nontransport service program only to the level of care maintained 24 hours per day, seven days a week.
- d. Not be prohibited from transporting patients in an emergency situation when lack of transporting resources would cause an unnecessary delay in patient care.

**132.8(3)** Service program operational requirements. Ambulance and nontransport service programs shall:

- a. Complete and maintain a patient care report concerning the care provided to each patient. Ambulance services shall provide, at a minimum, a PCR verbal report upon delivery of a patient to a receiving facility and shall provide a complete PCR within 24 hours to the receiving facility.
- b. Utilize department protocols as the standard of care. The service program medical director may make changes to the department protocols provided the changes are within the EMS provider's scope of practice and within acceptable medical practice. A copy of the changes shall be filed with the department.
- c. Ensure that personnel duties are consistent with the level of certification and the service program's level of authorization.
- d. Maintain current personnel rosters and personnel files. The files shall include the names and addresses of all personnel and documentation that verifies EMS provider credentials including, but not limited to:
  - (1) Current provider level certification.
  - (2) Current course completions/certifications/endorsements as may be required by the medical director.
  - (3) PA and RN exception forms for appropriate personnel and verification that PA and RN personnel have completed the appropriate EMS level continuing education.
- e. If requested by the department, notify the department in writing of any changes in personnel rosters.
- f. Have a medical director and 24-hour-per-day, 7-day-per-week on-line medical direction available.
- g. Ensure that the appropriate service program personnel respond as required in this rule and that they respond in a reasonable amount of time.
- h. Notify the department in writing within seven days of any change in service director or ownership or control or of any reduction or discontinuance of operations.
- i. Select a new or temporary medical director if for any reason the current medical director cannot or no longer wishes to serve in that capacity. Selection shall be made before the current medical director relinquishes the duties and responsibilities of that position.
- j. Within seven days of any change of medical director, notify the department in writing of the selection of the new or temporary medical director who must have indicated in writing a willingness to serve in that capacity.
- k. Not prevent a registered nurse or physician assistant from supplementing the staffing of an authorized service program provided equivalent training is documented pursuant to Iowa Code sections 147A.12 and 147A.13.
- l. Not be authorized to utilize a manual defibrillator (except paramedic, paramedic specialist).
- m. Implement a continuous quality improvement program that provides a policy to include as a minimum:
  - (1) Medical audits.
  - (2) Skills competency.

(3) Follow-up (loop closure/resolution).

*n.* Require physician assistants and registered nurses providing care pursuant to Iowa Code sections 147A.12 and 147A.13 to meet CEH requirements approved by the medical director.

*o.* Document an equipment maintenance program to ensure proper working condition and appropriate quantities.

**132.8(4)** Equipment and vehicle standards. The following standards shall apply:

*a.* Ambulances placed into service after July 1, 2002, shall meet, as a minimum, the National Truck and Equipment Association's Ambulance Manufacture Division (AMD) performance specifications.

*b.* All EMS service programs shall carry equipment and supplies in quantities as determined by the medical director and appropriate to the service program's level of care and available certified EMS personnel and as established in the service program's approved protocols.

*c.* Pharmaceutical drugs and over-the-counter drugs may be carried and administered upon completion of training and pursuant to the service program's established protocols approved by the medical director.

*d.* All drugs shall be maintained in accordance with the rules of the state board of pharmacy examiners.

*e.* Accountability for drug exchange, distribution, storage, ownership, and security shall be subject to applicable state and federal requirements. The method of accountability shall be described in the written pharmacy agreement. A copy of the written pharmacy agreement shall be submitted to the department.

*f.* Each ambulance service program shall maintain a telecommunications system between the emergency medical care provider and the source of the service program's medical direction and other appropriate entities. Nontransport service programs shall maintain a telecommunications system between the emergency medical care provider and the responding ambulance service and other appropriate entities.

*g.* All telecommunications shall be conducted in an appropriate manner and on a frequency approved by the Federal Communications Commission and the department.

**132.8(5)** Preventative maintenance. Each ambulance service program shall document a preventative maintenance program to make certain that:

*a.* Vehicles are fully equipped and maintained in a safe operating condition. In addition:

(1) All ground ambulances shall be housed in a garage or other facility that prevents engine, equipment and supply freeze-up and windshield icing. An unobstructed exit to the street shall also be maintained;

(2) The garage or other facility shall be adequately heated or each response vehicle shall have permanently installed auxiliary heating units to sufficiently heat the engine and patient compartment; and

(3) The garage or other facility shall be maintained in a clean, safe condition free of debris or other hazards.

*b.* The exterior and interior of the vehicles are kept clean. The interior and equipment shall be cleaned after each use as necessary. When a patient with a communicable disease has been transported or treated, the interior and any equipment or nondisposable supplies coming in contact with the patient shall be thoroughly disinfected.

*c.* All equipment stored in a patient compartment is secured so that, in the event of a sudden stop or movement of the vehicle, the patient and service program personnel are not injured by moving equipment.

*d.* All airway, electrical and mechanical equipment is kept clean and in proper operating condition.

*e.* Compartments provided within the vehicles and the medical and other supplies stored therein are kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

*f.* All linens, airway and oxygen equipment or any other supplies or equipment coming in direct patient contact is of a single-use disposable type or cleaned, laundered or disinfected prior to reuse.

*g.* Freshly laundered blankets and linen or disposable linens are used on cots and pillows and are changed after each use.

- h.* Proper storage is provided for clean linen.
- i.* Soiled supplies shall be appropriately disposed of according to current biohazard practices.

**132.8(6)** Service program—incident and accident reports.

*a.* Incidents of fire or other destructive or damaging occurrences or theft of a service program ambulance, equipment, or drugs shall be reported to the department within 48 hours following the occurrence of the incident.

*b.* A copy of the motor vehicle accident report required under Iowa Code subsection 321.266(2), relating to the reporting of an accident resulting in personal injury, death or property damage, shall be submitted to the department within seven days following an accident involving a service program vehicle.

**132.8(7)** Adoption by reference. The Iowa EMS Patient Registry Data Dictionary (January 2004) is adopted and incorporated by reference for inclusion criteria and reportable patient data. For any differences which may occur between the adopted reference and this chapter, the administrative rules shall prevail.

*a.* The Iowa EMS Patient Registry Data Dictionary (January 2004) is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the EMS bureau Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

*b.* The department shall prepare compilations for release or dissemination on all reportable patient data entered into the EMS service program registry during the reporting period. The compilations shall include, but not be limited to, trends and patient care outcomes for local, regional, and statewide evaluations. The compilations shall be made available to all service programs submitting reportable patient data to the registry.

*c.* Access and release of reportable patient data and information.

(1) The data collected by and furnished to the department pursuant to this subrule are confidential records of the condition, diagnosis, care, or treatment of patients or former patients, including outpatients, pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7. The compilations prepared for release or dissemination from the data collected are not confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7, subsection 2. However, information which individually identifies patients shall not be disclosed, and state and federal law regarding patient confidentiality shall apply.

(2) The department may approve requests for reportable patient data for special studies and analysis provided the request has been reviewed and approved by the deputy director of the department with respect to the scientific merit and confidentiality safeguards, and the department has given administrative approval for the proposal. The confidentiality of patients and the EMS service program shall be protected.

(3) The department may require entities requesting the data to pay any or all of the reasonable costs associated with furnishing the reportable patient data.

*d.* To the extent possible, activities under this subrule shall be coordinated with other health data collection methods.

*e.* Quality assurance.

(1) For the purpose of ensuring the completeness and quality of reportable patient data, the department or authorized representative may examine all or part of the patient care report as necessary to verify or clarify all reportable patient data submitted by a service program.

(2) Review of a patient care report by the department shall be scheduled in advance with the service program and completed in a timely manner.

*f.* The director, pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.4, may grant a variance from the requirements of these rules for any service program, provided that the variance is related to undue hardships in complying with this chapter.

**132.8(8)** The patient care report is a confidential document and shall be exempt from disclosure pursuant to Iowa Code subsection 22.7(2) and shall not be accessible to the general public. Information contained in these reports, however, may be utilized by any of the indicated distribution recipients and may appear in any document or public health record in a manner which prevents the identification of any patient or person named in these reports.

**132.8(9)** Implementation. The director may grant exceptions and variances from the requirements of this chapter for any ambulance or nontransport service. Exceptions or variations shall be reasonably



related to undue hardships which existing services experience in complying with this chapter. Services requesting exceptions and variances shall be subject to other applicable rules adopted pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require any nontransport service to provide a level of care beyond minimum basic care standards.

**641—132.9(147A) Service program—off-line medical direction.**

**132.9(1)** The medical director shall be responsible for providing appropriate medical direction and overall supervision of the medical aspects of the service program and shall ensure that those duties and responsibilities are not relinquished before a new or temporary replacement is functioning in that capacity.

**132.9(2)** The medical director's duties include, but need not be limited to:

- a.* Developing, approving and updating protocols to be used by service program personnel that meet or exceed the minimum standard protocols developed by the department.
- b.* Developing and maintaining liaisons between the service, other physicians, physician designees, hospitals, and the medical community served by the service program.
- c.* Monitoring and evaluating the activities of the service program and individual personnel performance, including establishment of measurable outcomes that reflect the goals and standards of the EMS system.
- d.* Assessing the continuing education needs of the service and individual service program personnel and assisting them in the planning of appropriate continuing education programs.
- e.* Being available for individual evaluation and consultation to service program personnel.
- f.* Performing or appointing a designee to complete the medical audits required in subrule 132.9(4).
- g.* Developing and approving an applicable continuous quality improvement policy demonstrating type and frequency of review, including an action plan and follow-up.
- h.* Informing the medical community of the emergency medical care being provided according to approved protocols in the service program area.
- i.* Helping to resolve service operational problems.
- j.* Approving or removing an individual from service program participation.

**132.9(3)** Supervising physicians, physician designees, or other appointees as defined in the continuous quality improvement policy referenced in 132.9(2) "g" may assist the medical director by:

- a.* Providing medical direction.
- b.* Reviewing the emergency medical care provided.
- c.* Reviewing and updating protocols.
- d.* Providing and assessing continuing education needs for service program personnel.
- e.* Helping to resolve operational problems.

**132.9(4)** The medical director or other qualified designees shall randomly audit (at least quarterly) documentation of calls where emergency medical care was provided. The medical director shall randomly review audits performed by the qualified appointee. The audit shall be in writing and shall include, but need not be limited to:

- a.* Reviewing the patient care provided by service program personnel and remedying any deficiencies or potential deficiencies that may be identified regarding medical knowledge or skill performance.
- b.* Response time and time spent at the scene.
- c.* Overall EMS system response to ensure that the patient's needs were matched to available resources including, but not limited to, mutual aid and tiered response.
- d.* Completeness of documentation.

**132.9(5)** Rescinded IAB 2/6/02, effective 3/13/02.

**132.9(6)** On-line medical direction when provided through a hospital.

*a.* The medical director shall designate in writing at least one hospital which has established a written on-line medical direction agreement with the department. It shall be the medical director's responsibility to notify the department in writing of changes regarding this designation.

- b.* Hospitals signing an on-line medical direction agreement shall:
- (1) Ensure that the supervising physicians or physician designees will be available to provide on-line medical direction via telecommunications on a 24-hour-per-day basis.
  - (2) Identify the service programs for which on-line medical direction will be provided.
  - (3) Establish written protocols for use by supervising physicians and physician designees who provide on-line medical direction.
  - (4) Administer a quality assurance program to review orders given. The program shall include a mechanism for the hospital and service program medical directors to discuss and resolve any identified problems.
- c.* A hospital which has a written medical direction agreement with the department may provide medical direction for any or all service program authorization levels and may also agree to provide backup on-line medical direction for any other service program when that service program is unable to contact its primary source of on-line medical direction.
- d.* Only supervising physicians or physician designees shall provide on-line medical direction. However, a physician assistant, registered nurse or EMT (of equal or higher level) may relay orders to emergency medical care personnel, without modification, from a supervising physician. A physician designee may not deviate from approved protocols.
- e.* The hospital shall provide, upon request to the department, a list of supervising physicians and physician designees providing on-line medical direction.
- f.* Rescinded IAB 2/6/02, effective 3/13/02.
- g.* The department may verify a hospital's communications system to ensure compliance with the on-line medical direction agreement.
- h.* A supervising physician or physician designee who gives orders (directly or via communications equipment from some other point) to an emergency medical care provider is not subject to criminal liability by reason of having issued the orders and is not liable for civil damages for acts or omissions relating to the issuance of the orders unless the acts or omissions constitute recklessness.
- i.* Nothing in these rules requires or obligates a hospital, supervising physician or physician designee to approve requests for orders received from emergency medical care personnel.
- NOTE: Hospitals in other states may participate provided the applicable requirements of this subrule are met.

**641—132.10(147A) Complaints and investigations—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation of service program authorization or renewal.**

**132.10(1)** All complaints regarding the operation of authorized emergency medical care service programs, or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported to the department. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**132.10(2)** Complaints and the investigative process will be treated as confidential in accordance with Iowa Code section 22.7.

**132.10(3)** Service program authorization may be denied, issued a citation and warning, placed on probation, suspended or revoked by the department in accordance with Iowa Code subsection 147A.5(3) for any of the following reasons:

- a.* Knowingly allowing the falsifying of a patient care report (PCR).
- b.* Failure to submit required reports and documents.
- c.* Delegating professional responsibility to a person when the service program knows that the person is not qualified by training, education, experience or certification to perform the required duties.
- d.* Practicing, condoning, or facilitating discrimination against a patient, student or employee based on race, ethnicity, national origin, color, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, political belief, religion, mental or physical disability diagnosis, or social or economic status.
- e.* Knowingly allowing sexual harassment of a patient, student or employee. Sexual harassment includes sexual advances, sexual solicitations, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

*f.* Failure or repeated failure of the applicant or alleged violator to meet the requirements or standards established pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A or the rules adopted pursuant to that chapter.

*g.* Obtaining or attempting to obtain or renew or retain service program authorization by fraudulent means or misrepresentation or by submitting false information.

*h.* Engaging in conduct detrimental to the well-being or safety of the patients receiving or who may be receiving emergency medical care.

*i.* Failure to correct a deficiency within the time frame required by the department.

**132.10(4)** The department shall notify the applicant of the granting or denial of authorization or renewal, or shall notify the alleged violator of action to issue a citation and warning, place on probation or suspend or revoke authorization or renewal pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.12 and 17A.18. Notice of issuance of a denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**132.10(5)** Any requests for appeal concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation of service program authorization or renewal shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If such a request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. After the hearing, or upon default of the applicant or alleged violator, the administrative law judge shall affirm, modify or set aside the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation. If no request for appeal is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**132.10(6)** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**132.10(7)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10.

**132.10(8)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 132.10(9).

**132.10(9)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**132.10(10)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a.* All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b.* All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c.* A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d.* All questions and offers of proof, objections, and rulings thereon.
- e.* All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f.* The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**132.10(11)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**132.10(12)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**132.10(13)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**132.10(14)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**132.10(15)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, the news media or employer.

**132.10(16)** This rule is not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 641—Chapter 178 or any other provision of law.

**132.10(17)** Emergency adjudicative proceedings.

*a.* Necessary emergency action. To the extent necessary to prevent or avoid immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, and consistent with the Constitution and other provisions of law, the department may issue a written order in compliance with Iowa Code section 17A.18 to suspend a certificate in whole or in part, order the cessation of any continuing activity, order affirmative action, or take other action within the jurisdiction of the department by emergency adjudicative order.

*b.* Before issuing an emergency adjudicative order, the department shall consider factors including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) Whether there has been a sufficient factual investigation to ensure that the department is proceeding on the basis of reliable information;

(2) Whether the specific circumstances which pose immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare have been identified and determined to be continuing;

(3) Whether the program required to comply with the emergency adjudicative order may continue to engage in other activities without posing immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare;

(4) Whether imposition of monitoring requirements or other interim safeguards would be sufficient to protect the public health, safety or welfare; and

(5) Whether the specific action contemplated by the department is necessary to avoid the immediate danger.

*c.* Issuance of order.

(1) An emergency adjudicative order shall contain findings of fact, conclusions of law, and policy reasons to justify the determination of an immediate danger in the department's decision to take immediate action. The order is a public record.

(2) The written emergency adjudicative order shall be immediately delivered to the service program that is required to comply with the order by utilizing one or more of the following procedures:

1. Personal delivery.

2. Certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last address on file with the department.

3. Fax. Fax may be used as the sole method of delivery if the service program required to comply with the order has filed a written request that agency orders be sent by fax and has provided a fax number for that purpose.

(3) To the degree practicable, the department shall select the procedure for providing written notice that best ensures prompt, reliable delivery.

(4) Unless the written emergency adjudicative order is provided by personal delivery on the same day that the order issues, the department shall make reasonable immediate efforts to contact by telephone the service program that is required to comply with the order.

(5) After the issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, the department shall proceed as quickly as feasible to complete any proceedings that would be required if the matter did not involve an immediate danger.

(6) Issuance of a written emergency adjudicative order shall include notification of the date on which department proceedings are scheduled for completion. After issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, continuance of further department proceedings to a later date will be granted only in compelling circumstances upon application in writing unless the service program that is required to comply with the order is the party requesting the continuance.

**641—132.11(147A) Complaints and investigations—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation of emergency medical care personnel certificates or renewal.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.12(147A) Complaints and investigations—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation of training program or continuing education provider approval or renewal.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.13(147A) Complaints, investigations and appeals.** Rescinded IAB 2/9/00, effective 3/15/00.

**641—132.14(147A) Temporary variances.**

**132.14(1)** If during a period of authorization there is some occurrence that temporarily causes a service program to be in noncompliance with these rules, the department may grant a temporary variance. Temporary variances to these rules (not to exceed six months in length per any approved request) may be granted by the department to a currently authorized service program. Requests for temporary variances shall apply only to the service program requesting the variance and shall apply only to those requirements and standards for which the department is responsible.

**132.14(2)** To request a variance, the service program shall:

*a.* Notify the department verbally (as soon as possible) of the need to request a temporary variance. Submit to the department, within ten days after having given verbal notification to the department, a written explanation for the temporary variance request. The address and telephone number are Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075; (515)725-0326.

*b.* Cite the rule from which the variance is requested.

*c.* State why compliance with the rule cannot be maintained.

*d.* Explain the alternative arrangements that have been or will be made regarding the variance request.

*e.* Estimate the period of time for which the variance will be needed.

*f.* Rescinded IAB 2/2/05, effective 3/9/05.

**132.14(3)** Upon notification of a request for variance, the department shall take into consideration, but shall not be limited to:

*a.* Examining the rule from which the temporary variance is requested to determine if the request is appropriate and reasonable.

*b.* Evaluating the alternative arrangements that have been or will be made regarding the variance request.

*c.* Examining the effect of the requested variance upon the level of care provided to the general populace served.

*d.* Requesting additional information if necessary.

**132.14(4)** Preliminary approval or denial shall be provided verbally within 24 hours. Final approval or denial shall be issued in writing within ten days after having received the written explanation for the temporary variance request and shall include the reason for approval or denial. If approval is granted, the effective date and the duration of the temporary variance shall be clearly stated.

**132.14(5)** Rescinded, effective July 10, 1987.

**132.14(6)** Any request for appeal concerning the denial of a request for temporary variance shall be in accordance with the procedures outlined in rule 132.10(147A).

**132.14(7)** Rescinded IAB 2/3/93, effective 3/10/93.

**641—132.15(147A) Transport options for fully authorized paramedic service programs.**

**132.15(1)** Upon responding to an emergency call, ambulance or nontransport paramedic level services may make a determination at the scene as to whether emergency medical transportation or nonemergency transportation is needed. The determination shall be made by a paramedic or paramedic specialist and shall be based upon the nonemergency transportation protocol approved by the service program's medical director. When applying this protocol, the following criteria, as a minimum, shall be used to determine the appropriate transport option:

- a. Primary assessment,
- b. Focused history and physical examination,
- c. Chief complaint,
- d. Name, address and age, and
- e. Nature of the call for assistance.

Emergency medical transportation shall be provided whenever any of the above criteria indicate that treatment should be initiated.

**132.15(2)** If treatment is not indicated, the service program may make arrangements for nonemergency transportation. If arrangements are made, the service program shall remain at the scene until nonemergency transportation arrives. During the wait for nonemergency transportation, however, the ambulance or nontransport service may respond to an emergency.

**641—132.16(147A) Public access defibrillation.** Rescinded IAB 2/2/05, effective 3/9/05.

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CHAPTER 133  
WHITE FLASHING LIGHT AUTHORIZATION

**641—133.1(321) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Ambulance*” means the same as defined in 641 IAC 132.1(147A).

“*Ambulance service*” means the same as defined in 641 IAC 132.1(147A).

“*Authorization certificate*” means a permit issued to an emergency medical care provider which authorizes the use of a white flashing light.

“*Authorized vehicles*” means any vehicles owned by members of the service program that are authorized by the department to use flashing white lights.

“*Department*” means Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*First response vehicle*” means the same as defined in 641 IAC 132.1(147A).

“*Medical director*” means any physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A who shall be responsible for overall medical direction of the service program and who has completed a medical director workshop, sponsored by the department, within one year of the physician’s assuming duties.

“*Member*” means any individual utilized by an ambulance or nontransport service to provide emergency medical care.

“*Nontransport service*” means any privately or publicly owned rescue or first response service program which does not provide patient transportation (except when no ambulance is available or in a disaster situation) and utilizes only rescue or first response vehicles to provide emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency.

“*Rescue vehicle*” means the same as defined in 641 IAC 132.1(147A).

“*Service director*” means an individual who is responsible for the operation and administration of a service program.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*White light*” means a white or clear rotating, flashing, or strobe lighting device utilized for identification purposes only. Any such lighting device shall not display a constant white or clear light to the rear of the vehicle.

**641—133.2(321) Purpose.**

**133.2(1)** Flashing white lights may be used on emergency vehicles or other authorized vehicles utilized by emergency medical care providers and service programs for identification purposes only.

**133.2(2)** Flashing white lights shall be used only on an authorized vehicle and shall not be used except in any of the following circumstances:

- a. When responding to an emergency in the line of duty requiring the services of the member.
- b. When at the scene of an emergency.
- c. When transporting a patient during a disaster situation.

**133.2(3)** Owners and operators of authorized vehicles are responsible for ensuring that the lighting devices are utilized in a safe manner. This shall include, but not be limited to, ensuring that lighting devices do not:

- a. Obstruct the view of the vehicle operator.
- b. Overburden the electrical system of the vehicle.
- c. Interfere with the vision of the vehicle operator, passengers, or drivers of other vehicles.

**133.2(4)** Operators of authorized vehicles shall ensure that the authorization certificate is carried in the vehicle.

**641—133.3(321) Application.**

**133.3(1)** Authorization certificates (provided by the department) shall be issued by the service director for service vehicles and vehicles owned by emergency medical care providers who are members in good standing with the service. Vehicle authorization shall be limited to:

- a. Vehicles owned or exclusively operated by the ambulance or nontransport service.
- b. Vehicles owned or operated by emergency medical care provider members of the ambulance or nontransport service.
- c. Vehicles owned or operated by the service program's medical director.
- d. One authorization certificate per vehicle.

**133.3(2)** Nothing in these rules shall prevent the use of white flashing lights on vehicles which are authorized to use red or blue flashing lights.

**133.3(3)** The service director shall report the issuance of white light authorization certificates within 15 days to the department on forms approved by the department. Information required by the department shall include, but not be limited to:

- a. Demonstrated necessity for authorization.
- b. Vehicle liability insurance.
- c. Current Iowa vehicle registration.
- d. The member's current driver's license number, if the authorized vehicle is privately owned.

**133.3(4)** The service director shall provide, upon request of the department or its agents, proof of the information required in 133.3(3) for each authorization certificate issued.

**133.3(5)** The service director shall provide an informational sheet which explains the requirements for use of the white lights to each member who is issued an authorization certificate. The information sheet is available upon request from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**133.3(6)** The service director shall encourage members operating authorized vehicles to complete a course in emergency driving techniques and the laws and rules governing emergency vehicle operation.

**133.3(7)** The authorization shall expire five years from the date issued unless sooner suspended or revoked.

**133.3(8)** The department may issue authorization certificates for vehicles used by employees of the department when responding to emergencies or disasters.

**641—133.4(321) Approval, denial, probation, suspension and revocation of authorization.**

**133.4(1)** The service director or the department may approve or deny an application and the department may place on probation, suspend or revoke an authorization certificate if the service director or the department finds reason to believe that the applicant or certificate holder:

- a. Has failed to meet all applicable requirements of these rules.
- b. Has been convicted of a moving violation while using flashing white lights.
- c. Has utilized a white flashing light without obtaining an authorization certificate.
- d. Does not have a valid driver's license.
- e. Does not have a current vehicle registration.

**133.4(2)** The authorization certificate shall be surrendered upon the request of the department or its agents.

**133.4(3)** An emergency medical care provider or service director who has knowledge of any emergency medical care provider or service program that has violated Iowa Code chapter 147A, Iowa Administrative Code 641—Chapter 132 or these rules shall, within 30 days, report that information to the department.

**133.4(4)** A denial, probation, suspension or revocation ordered by the department shall be effected, and may be appealed according to the provisions set forth in rule 133.5(321).

**641—133.5(321) Appeal of denial, probation, or revocation of authorization.**

**133.5(1)** Denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice of denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall

be served to the alleged violator by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**133.5(2)** Any request for appeal concerning denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of the receipt of the department's notice. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 30-day time period, the notice shall be deemed to be suspended. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for appeal is received within the 30-day time period, the department's notice of denial, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**133.5(3)** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**133.5(4)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 4, Iowa Administrative Code.

**133.5(5)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 133.5(6).

**133.5(6)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**133.5(7)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**133.5(8)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**133.5(9)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**133.5(10)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**133.5(11)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.423 and 321.428.

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CHAPTER 134  
TRAUMA CARE FACILITY CATEGORIZATION  
AND VERIFICATION

**641—134.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Categorization*” means a preliminary determination by the department that a hospital or emergency care facility is capable of providing trauma care at Level I, II, III or IV care capabilities.

“*Certificate of verification*” means a document awarded by the department that identifies a hospital or emergency care facility’s level and term of verification as a trauma care facility.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency care facility*” means a physician’s office, clinic, or other health care center which provides emergency medical care in conjunction with other primary care services.

“*Emergency medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*Hospital*” means any hospital licensed under Iowa Code chapter 135B.

“*On-site verification survey*” means an on-site survey conducted by the department to assess a hospital or emergency care facility’s ability to meet the level of categorization requested.

“*Trauma*” means a single or multisystem life-threatening or limb-threatening injury, or an injury requiring immediate medical or surgical intervention or treatment to prevent death or permanent disability.

“*Trauma care facility*” means a hospital or emergency care facility which provides trauma care and has been verified by the department as having Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) care capabilities and has been issued a certificate of verification pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.23, subsection 2, paragraph “c.”

“*Trauma care system*” means an organized approach to providing personnel, facilities, and equipment for effective and coordinated trauma care.

“*Verification*” means a process by which the department certifies a hospital or emergency care facility’s capacity to provide trauma care in accordance with criteria established for Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) trauma care facilities and these rules.

**641—134.2(147A) Trauma care facility categorization and verification.** Categorization and verification of hospitals and emergency care facilities shall be made by the department based upon the hospitals’ or emergency care facilities’ resources available for providing trauma care services.

**134.2(1) Categorization.**

a. Categorization as a trauma care facility shall be determined by the department from self-reported information provided to the department by a hospital or emergency care facility through a self-assessment categorization application provided by the department.

b. Categorization applications shall be submitted by all hospitals. New hospitals shall submit a categorization application no later than 90 days after licensing by the department of inspections and appeals, health facilities division. Categorization applications may be submitted by emergency care facilities. New emergency care facilities may submit a categorization application no later than 90 days after opening or reopening.

c. Categorization applications may be obtained from the department upon written request to: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**134.2(2) Categorization levels for trauma care facilities shall be identified as:**

- a. Resource (Level I).
- b. Regional (Level II).
- c. Area (Level III).

*d.* Community (Level IV).

**134.2(3)** Adoption by reference.

*a.* “Iowa Trauma System Resource (Level I) & Regional (Level II) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004) is incorporated and adopted by reference for Resource (Level I) and Regional (Level II) hospital and emergency care facility categorization criteria, and the “Iowa Trauma System Area (Level III) & Community (Level IV) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004) is incorporated by reference and adopted for Area (Level III) and Community (Level IV) hospital and emergency care facility categorization criteria. For any differences which may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

*b.* “Iowa Trauma System Resource & Regional Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004) and the “Iowa Trauma System Area & Community Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004) are available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

**134.2(4)** Categorization shall not be construed to imply any guarantee on the part of the department as to the level of trauma care services available at a hospital or emergency care facility.

**134.2(5)** A hospital, emergency care facility, or trauma care facility may apply to the department for a change in level of categorization through submission of a self-assessment categorization application.

**134.2(6)** Verification. Verification of a trauma care facility shall be determined by the department upon successful completion of the categorization application and completion of a verification survey. All categorized hospitals and emergency care facilities shall be verified.

**134.2(7)** The department shall conduct a verification survey for categorized hospitals or emergency care facilities.

*a.* A verification survey shall assess the ability of the hospital or emergency care facility to meet criteria for the level of categorization pursuant to 134.2(3).

*b.* The department shall approve trauma care facility verification when the department is satisfied that the proposed facility will provide services and be operated in compliance with Iowa Code section 147A.23 and these administrative rules.

*c.* The department shall notify the applicant, in writing, as to the approval or denial of verification as a trauma care facility within 90 days after the completion of a verification survey.

*d.* Verification shall not be construed to imply any guarantee on the part of the department as to the level of trauma care services available at a hospital or emergency care facility.

*e.* Trauma care facility verification is valid for a period of three years from the effective date unless otherwise specified on the certificate of verification or unless sooner suspended or revoked.

*f.* Trauma care facilities shall be fully operational at their verified level upon the effective date specified on the certificate of verification. Trauma care facilities shall meet all requirements of Iowa Code section 147A.23 and these administrative rules.

*g.* As part of the verification and renewal process, the department may conduct periodic on-site reviews of the services and facilities of trauma care facilities.

*h.* Trauma care facilities that are unable to maintain their categorization or verification, or both, shall notify the department within 48 hours.

*i.* The director, pursuant to rule, may grant a variance from the requirements of rules adopted under this chapter for any hospital or emergency care facility provided that the variance is related to undue hardships in complying with this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.

*j.* Hospitals currently verified by the American College of Surgeons shall be accepted as equivalent for categorization and verification as a trauma care facility in Iowa provided that all policy, reporting, and administrative rules have been met. Documentation shall be provided to the department including, but not limited to, a current copy of the ACS verification certification, the hospital’s completed ACS verification application or a completed Self-Assessment Categorization Application (SACA).

**134.2(8)** Prohibited acts. A hospital or emergency care facility that imparts or conveys, or causes to be imparted or conveyed, that it is a trauma care facility, or that uses any other term to indicate or imply that the hospital or emergency care facility is a trauma care facility without having obtained a certificate of verification by the department is subject to civil penalty not to exceed \$100 per day for each offense. The director may apply to the district court for a writ of injunction to restrain the use of the term “trauma care facility.”

**134.2(9)** Nothing in Iowa Code section 147A.23 or these administrative rules shall be construed to restrict a hospital or emergency care facility from providing any services for which it is duly authorized.

**641—134.3(147A) Complaints and investigations and appeals—denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, and revocation of verification as a trauma care facility.**

**134.3(1)** The department may deny verification as a trauma care facility or may give a citation and warning, place on probation, suspend, or revoke existing verification if the department finds reason to believe that the facility has not been or will not be operated in compliance with Iowa Code section 147A.23 and these administrative rules or that there is insufficient assurance of adequate protection for the public. The denial, citation and warning, period of probation, suspension, or revocation shall be effected and may be appealed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12.

**134.3(2)** All complaints regarding the operation of a trauma care facility, or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported to the department. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**134.3(3)** An EMS provider who has knowledge of a hospital, emergency care facility or trauma care facility that has violated Iowa Code section 147A.23, or these administrative rules, shall immediately report such information to the department. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**134.3(4)** Complaints and the investigative process shall be treated as confidential to the extent they are protected by Iowa Code section 22.7.

**134.3(5)** Complaint investigations may result in the department’s issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**134.3(6)** Notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the alleged violator of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**134.3(7)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department’s notice to take action. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department’s notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department’s final agency action.

**134.3(8)** Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the request shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**134.3(9)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**134.3(10)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and

order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken.

**134.3(11)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**134.3(12)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a.* All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b.* All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c.* A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d.* All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e.* All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f.* The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**134.3(13)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**134.3(14)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**134.3(15)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**134.3(16)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**134.3(17)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, news media or employer.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 147A.23.

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CHAPTER 135  
TRAUMA TRIAGE AND TRANSFER PROTOCOLS

**641—135.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Intertrauma care facility triage and transfer protocol*” means written directives to assist in the decision making, approved by the department and followed by trauma care facility personnel, for the transfer of trauma patients to an appropriate trauma care facility.

“*Out-of-hospital triage and transfer destination decision protocol*” means written directives to assist in the decision making, established and approved by the department, that address the method of transport and trauma care facility destination to be followed by the service program.

“*SEQIC*” means system evaluation quality improvement committee.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*System evaluation quality improvement committee*” means the committee established by the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.25 to develop, implement, and conduct trauma care system evaluation, quality assessment, and quality improvement.

“*Transfer*” means the process of a patient being transferred from the scene of an injury to a trauma care facility or from one trauma care facility to another.

“*Trauma care facility*” means a hospital or emergency care facility which provides trauma care and has been verified by the department as having Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) care capabilities and has been issued a certificate of verification pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.23, subsection 2, paragraph “c.”

“*Trauma system advisory council*” means an advisory council established pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.24 to advise the department on issues and strategies to achieve optimal trauma care delivery throughout the state.

“*Trauma triage and transfer*” means to determine trauma care facility destination and mode of transportation.

“*TSAC*” means trauma system advisory council.

**641—135.2(147A) Trauma triage and transfer protocols.**

**135.2(1)** Trauma triage and transfer protocols approved by the department shall be utilized to assist personnel from each service program and trauma care facility. This requirement shall not preclude service programs or trauma care facilities from making emergency revisions of the approved triage and transfer protocols when an incident overburdens medical care resources causing unnecessary delay in patient care.

*a.* Adoption by reference. The “Out-of-Hospital Trauma Triage Destination Decision Protocol” (Adult and Pediatric, November 2001) and the “Inter-Trauma Care Facility Triage and Transfer Protocol” (August 1996) are incorporated by reference and adopted as the out-of-hospital trauma triage destination decision and the intertrauma care facility triage and transfer protocols. For any differences which may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

*b.* The out-of-hospital trauma triage destination decision protocol (Adult and Pediatric) and the intertrauma care facility triage and transfer protocol are available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

*c.* Revisions and modifications to the out-of-hospital trauma triage destination decision protocol and the intertrauma care facility triage and transfer protocol may be made upon recommendation to the department from the system evaluation quality improvement committee (SEQIC) or the trauma system advisory council (TSAC). Revisions and modifications shall be approved by the department.

*d.* The director, pursuant to rule, may grant a variance from the requirements of rules adopted under this chapter for any hospital, emergency care facility, or service program provided that the variance is related to undue hardships in complying with this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.

**135.2(2)** Reserved.

**641—135.3(147A) Offenses and penalties.**

**135.3(1)** The department may deny verification as a trauma care facility or deny authorization as a service program or may give a citation and warning, place on probation, suspend, or revoke existing trauma care facility verification or service program authorization if the department finds reason to believe that the facility or service program has not been or will not be operated in compliance with Iowa Code section 147A.27 and these administrative rules. The denial, citation and warning, period of probation, suspension, or revocation shall be effected and may be appealed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12.

**135.3(2)** All complaints regarding the operation of a trauma care facility or service program, or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported to the department. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**135.3(3)** Complaints and the investigative process shall be treated as confidential to the extent they are protected by Iowa Code section 22.7.

**135.3(4)** Complaint investigations may result in the department's issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**135.3(5)** Notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the alleged violator of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**135.3(6)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice to take action. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**135.3(7)** Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the request shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**135.3(8)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**135.3(9)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken.

**135.3(10)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**135.3(11)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a.* All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b.* All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c.* A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d.* All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e.* All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f.* The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**135.3(12)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personal service.

**135.3(13)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**135.3(14)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**135.3(15)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**135.3(16)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, news media or employer.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 147A.23.

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CHAPTER 136  
TRAUMA REGISTRY

**641—136.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*ICD9*” means International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision.

“*Inclusion criteria*” means criteria determined by the department and adopted by reference to determine which trauma patients are to be included in the trauma registry.

“*Reportable patient data*” means data elements and definitions determined by the department and adopted by reference to be reported to the trauma registry or reported to a trauma care facility on trauma patients meeting the inclusion criteria.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service, or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*Trauma care facility*” means a hospital or emergency care facility which provides trauma care and has been verified by the department as having Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) care capabilities and has been issued a certificate of verification pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.23, subsection 2, paragraph “c.”

“*Trauma patient*” means a victim of an external cause of injury that results in major or minor tissue damage or destruction caused by intentional or unintentional exposure to thermal, mechanical, electrical or chemical energy, or by the absence of heat or oxygen (ICD9 Codes E800.0 - E999.9).

“*Trauma registry*” means the data repository operated by the department to collect and analyze reportable patient data on the incidence, severity, and causes of trauma, including the central registry for brain and spinal cord injuries (IAC 641—21.1(135)) and farm-related injuries.

**641—136.2(147A) Trauma registry.**

**136.2(1)** Adoption by reference.

a. “Iowa Trauma Patient Data Dictionary” (July 2005) is incorporated by reference for inclusion criteria and reportable patient data to be reported to the trauma registry or reported to a trauma care facility. For any differences which may occur between the adopted reference and this chapter, the administrative rules shall prevail.

b. “Iowa Trauma Patient Data Dictionary” is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

c. “Iowa EMS Patient Registry Data Dictionary” (August 2007) is incorporated by reference for inclusion criteria and reportable patient data to be reported to the department. For any differences which may occur between the adopted reference and this chapter, the administrative rules shall prevail.

d. “Iowa EMS Patient Registry Data Dictionary” is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

**136.2(2)** A verified trauma care facility shall:

a. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) via electronic transfer or in writing to the department. Data shall be submitted in a format approved by the department.

b. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) to the department for each calendar quarter. Reportable patient data shall be submitted no later than 90 days after the end of the quarter.

c. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) to the receiving trauma care facility upon delivery of the injured patient. Data shall be submitted in a format approved by the department.

**136.2(3)** A service program shall:

a. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) via electronic transfer or in writing. Data shall be submitted in a format approved by the department.

b. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) to the department for each calendar quarter. Reportable patient data shall be submitted no later than 90 days after the end of the quarter.

c. Submit reportable patient data identified in 136.2(1) to the receiving trauma care facility upon delivery of the injured patient. Data shall be submitted in a format approved by the department.

**136.2(4)** Reportable patient data compilations. The department shall prepare compilations for release or dissemination on all reportable patient data entered into the trauma registry during the reporting period. The compilations shall include, but not be limited to, trends and patient care outcomes for local, regional and statewide evaluations. The compilations shall be made available to all providers submitting reportable patient data to the registry.

**136.2(5)** Access and release of reportable patient data and information.

a. The data collected by and furnished to the department pursuant to this section are confidential records of the condition, diagnosis, care, or treatment of patients or former patients, including outpatients, pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7. The compilations prepared for release or dissemination from the data collected are not confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7, subsection 2. However, information which individually identifies patients shall not be disclosed and state and federal law regarding patient confidentiality shall apply.

b. The department may approve requests for reportable patient data for special studies and analysis provided:

(1) The request has been reviewed and approved by the department with respect to the scientific merit and confidentiality safeguards; and

(2) The department has given administrative approval for the proposal.

(3) The confidentiality of patients and trauma care facilities is protected pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7.

c. The department may require those requesting the data to pay any or all of the reasonable costs associated with furnishing the reportable patient data.

**136.2(6)** Data collection methods. To the extent possible, activities under this section shall be coordinated with other health data collection methods.

**136.2(7)** Quality assurance.

a. For the purpose of ensuring the completeness and quality of reportable patient data, the department or authorized representative may examine all or part of the patient's medical records as necessary to verify or clarify all reportable patient data submitted by a trauma care facility or a service program.

b. Review of a patient's medical record by the department shall be scheduled in advance with the trauma care facility or service program and completed in a timely manner.

c. The director, pursuant to rule, may grant a variance from the requirements of rules adopted under this chapter for any hospital, emergency care facility, or service program provided that the variance is related to undue hardships in complying with this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.

#### **641—136.3(147A) Offenses and penalties.**

**136.3(1)** The department may deny verification as a trauma care facility or deny authorization as a service program or may give a citation and warning, place on probation, suspend, or revoke existing trauma care facility verification or service program authorization if the department finds reason to believe that the facility or service program has not been or will not be operated in compliance with Iowa Code section 147A.26 and these administrative rules. The denial, citation and warning, period of probation, suspension, or revocation shall be effected and may be appealed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12.

**136.3(2)** All complaints regarding the operation of a trauma care facility or service program or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported to the department. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**136.3(3)** Complaints and the investigative process shall be treated as confidential to the extent they are protected by Iowa Code section 22.7.

**136.3(4)** Complaint investigations may result in the department's issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**136.3(5)** Notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the alleged violator of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**136.3(6)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice to take action. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**136.3(7)** Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the request shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**136.3(8)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**136.3(9)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken.

**136.3(10)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**136.3(11)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**136.3(12)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personal service.

**136.3(13)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**136.3(14)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**136.3(15)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**136.3(16)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, news media or employer.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 147A.26.

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CHAPTER 137  
TRAUMA EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**641—137.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*ACLS course*” means advanced cardiac life support course.

“*Advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP)*” means a nurse pursuant to 655—7.1(152) with current licensure as a registered nurse in Iowa who is registered in Iowa to practice in an advanced role. The ARNP is prepared for an advanced role by virtue of additional knowledge and skills gained through a formal advanced practice education program of nursing in a specialty area approved by the board. In the advanced role, the nurse practices nursing assessment, intervention, and management within the boundaries of the nurse-client relationship. Advanced nursing practice occurs in a variety of settings within an interdisciplinary health care team, which provide for consultation, collaborative management, or referral. The ARNP may perform selected medically delegated functions when a collaborative practice agreement exists.

“*Advanced trauma life support course*” means a course for physicians with an emphasis on the first hour of initial assessment and primary management of the injured patient, starting at the point in time of injury continuing through initial assessment, life-saving intervention, reevaluation, stabilization, and transfer when appropriate.

“*ARNP*” means advanced registered nurse practitioner.

“*ATLS*” means advanced trauma life support.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency care facility*” means a physician’s office, clinic, or other health care center which provides emergency medical care in conjunction with other primary care services.

“*Emergency medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*EMS*” means emergency medical services.

“*EMT*” means emergency medical technician.

“*EMT-A*” means emergency medical technician ambulance.

“*EMT-B*” means emergency medical technician basic.

“*EMT-D*” means emergency medical technician defibrillation.

“*EMT-I*” means emergency medical technician intermediate.

“*EMT-P*” means emergency medical technician paramedic.

“*FR*” means first responder.

“*FR-D*” means first responder defibrillation.

“*Hospital*” means a facility licensed under Iowa Code chapter 135B, or comparable emergency care facility located and licensed in another state.

“*Licensed practical nurse*” means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

“*LPN*” means licensed practical nurse.

“*NRP course*” means neonatal resuscitation provider course.

“*PA*” means physician assistant.

“*PALS course*” means pediatric advanced life support course.

“*Physician*” means an individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150 or 150A.

“*Physician assistant*” means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C.

“*Practitioner*” means a person who practices medicine or one of the associated health care professions.

“*PS*” means paramedic specialist.

“*Registered nurse*” means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

“*RN*” means registered nurse.

“*RTTDC*” means rural trauma team development course.

“*SEQIC*” means system evaluation quality improvement committee.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*System evaluation quality improvement committee*” means the committee established by the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.25 to develop, implement, and conduct trauma care system evaluation, quality assessment, and quality improvement.

“*Trauma*” means a single or multisystem life-threatening or limb-threatening injury, or an injury requiring immediate medical or surgical intervention or treatment to prevent death or disability.

“*Trauma care facility*” means a hospital or emergency care facility which provides trauma care and has been verified by the department as having Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) care capabilities and has been issued a certificate of verification pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.23, subsection 2, paragraph “c.”

“*Trauma care system*” means an organized approach to providing personnel, facilities, and equipment for effective and coordinated trauma care.

“*Trauma nursing course objectives*” means the trauma nursing course objectives recommended to the department by the trauma system advisory council and adopted by reference in these rules.

“*Trauma patient*” means a victim of an external cause of injury that results in major or minor tissue damage or destruction caused by intentional or unintentional exposure to thermal, mechanical, electrical or chemical energy, or by the absence of heat or oxygen (ICD9 Codes E800.0 - E999.9).

“*Trauma system advisory council*” means the council established by the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.24 to advise the department on issues and strategies to achieve optimal trauma care delivery throughout the state, to assist the department in the implementation of an Iowa trauma care plan, to develop criteria for the categorization of all hospitals and emergency care facilities according to their trauma care capabilities, to develop a process for verification of the trauma care capacity of each facility and the issuance of a certificate of verification, to develop standards for medical direction, trauma care, triage and transfer protocols, and trauma registries, to promote public information and education activities for injury prevention, and to review rules adopted under this division, and to make recommendations to the director for changes to further promote optimal trauma care.

“*Trauma team*” means a team of multidisciplinary health care providers established and defined by a hospital or emergency care facility that provides trauma care commensurate with the level of trauma care facility verification.

“*TSAC*” means trauma system advisory council.

“*Verification*” means a process by which the department certifies a hospital or emergency care facility’s capacity to provide trauma care in accordance with criteria established for Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) trauma care facilities and these rules.

**641—137.2(147A) Initial trauma education for Iowa’s trauma system.** Initial trauma education (Table 1) is required of physicians, physician assistants, advanced registered nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses who are identified or defined as trauma team members by a trauma care facility and who participate directly in the initial resuscitation of the trauma patient.

Table 1

Practitioner	Resource (Level I) TCF	Regional (Level II) TCF	Area (Level III) TCF	Community (Level IV) TCF
Physician PA/ARNP	1. ATLS 2. Trauma System Overview	1. ATLS 2. Trauma System Overview	1. ATLS 2. Trauma System Overview	1. ATLS or RTTDC 2. Trauma System Overview
RN/LPN	1. Successful completion of trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC 2. Trauma System Overview	1. Successful completion of trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC 2. Trauma System Overview	1. Successful completion of trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC 2. Trauma System Overview	1. Successful completion of trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC 2. Trauma System Overview

**137.2(1)** General requirements for initial trauma education.

*a.* Completion of initial trauma education shall be done within three years of the trauma care facility's initial verification or within one year of the practitioner's joining the trauma care facility's trauma team.

*b.* Trauma nursing course objectives (1998) are incorporated and adopted by reference for all trauma care facilities. For any differences which may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

*c.* Trauma nursing course objectives are available from the Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site ([www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems)).

**137.2(2)** Rescinded IAB 2/2/05, effective 3/9/05.

**641—137.3(147A) Continuing trauma education for Iowa's trauma system.** Continuing trauma education (Table 2) is required every four years of physicians, physician assistants, advanced registered nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses who are identified or defined as trauma team members by a trauma care facility and who participate directly in the initial resuscitation of the trauma patient.

Table 2

Practitioner	Resource (Level I) TCF	Regional (Level II) TCF	Area (Level III) TCF	Community (Level IV) TCF
Physician PA/ARNP	24 hours of continuing trauma education: 8 hours formal (recommend ATLS refresher course), 16 hours informal.	24 hours of continuing trauma education: 8 hours formal (recommend ATLS refresher course), 16 hours informal.	24 hours of continuing trauma education: 8 hours formal (ATLS refresher course required), 16 hours informal.	24 hours of continuing trauma education: 8 hours formal (ATLS refresher course or RTTDC required), 16 hours informal.
RN/LPN	16 hours of continuing trauma education: 4 hours formal (refresher course in trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC is required), 12 hours informal.	16 hours of continuing trauma education: 4 hours formal (refresher course in trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC is required), 12 hours informal.	16 hours of continuing trauma education: 4 hours formal (refresher course in trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC is required), 12 hours informal.	16 hours of continuing trauma education: 4 hours formal (refresher course in trauma nursing course objectives recommended by TSAC is required), 12 hours informal.

**137.3(1)** Topics for all or part of the continuing trauma education hours may be recommended to the department by SEQIC or TSAC based on trauma care system outcomes.

**137.3(2)** General requirements for continuing trauma education.

*a.* Three-fourths of the required continuing trauma education hours may be informal, determined and approved by a trauma care facility from any of the following:

1. Multidisciplinary trauma case reviews;
2. Multidisciplinary trauma conferences;
3. Multidisciplinary trauma mortality and morbidity reviews;
4. Multidisciplinary trauma committee meetings;
5. Trauma peer review meetings;
6. Any trauma care facility committee meeting with a focus on trauma care evaluation; and
7. Critical care education such as ACLS course, PALS course, NRP course, or equipment inservices.

*b.* One-fourth of the required continuing trauma education hours shall be obtained through any formalized continuing education programs.

**137.3(3)** Continuing trauma education is required of certified emergency medical care providers every two years as follows:

- a.* FR or FR-D: 2 continuing education hours.
- b.* EMT-A, B, D: 4 continuing education hours.
- c.* EMT-I: 4 continuing education hours.
- d.* EMT-P: 6 continuing education hours.

**641—137.4(147A) Offenses and penalties.**

**137.4(1)** The department may deny verification as a trauma care facility or deny authorization as a service program, may give a citation and warning, or may place on probation, suspend, or revoke existing trauma care facility verification or service program authorization if the department finds reason to believe that the facility or service program has not been or will not be operated in compliance with Iowa Code sections 147A.27 and these administrative rules. The denial, citation and warning, period of probation, suspension, or revocation shall be effected and may be appealed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12.

**137.4(2)** All complaints regarding the operation of a trauma care facility or service program, or those purporting to be or operating as the same, shall be reported to the department. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**137.4(3)** Complaints and the investigative process shall be treated as confidential to the extent they are protected by Iowa Code section 22.7.

**137.4(4)** Complaint investigations may result in the department's issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**137.4(5)** Notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the alleged violator of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension, or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**137.4(6)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice to take action. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**137.4(7)** A request for a hearing shall be forwarded within five working days of receipt of the request to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**137.4(8)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**137.4(9)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken.

**137.4(10)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**137.4(11)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.

- e.* All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f.* The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**137.4(12)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personal service.

**137.4(13)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**137.4(14)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**137.4(15)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**137.4(16)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the appropriate professional associations, news media or employer.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

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CHAPTER 138  
TRAUMA SYSTEM EVALUATION QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

**641—138.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Emergency medical care provider”* means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

*“SEQIC”* means system evaluation quality improvement committee established by the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.25 to develop, implement, and conduct trauma care system evaluation, quality assessment, and quality improvement.

*“Trauma care system”* means an organized approach to providing personnel, facilities, and equipment for effective and coordinated trauma care.

**641—138.2(147A) System evaluation quality improvement committee (SEQIC).** The system evaluation quality improvement committee shall develop, implement, and conduct trauma care system evaluation, quality assessment, and quality improvement in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 147A, Iowa Administrative Code 641—Chapter 191 and these rules.

**138.2(1) Duties.** The scope of the duties of SEQIC shall include, but not be limited to:

- a. Analyzing trauma-related information and data provided by the department.
- b. Evaluating the standards for trauma care in Iowa’s trauma system.
- c. Evaluating the effectiveness of Iowa’s trauma care system.
- d. Recommending quality improvement strategies related to trauma care.
- e. Designing and recommending corrective action plans to the department for trauma care and trauma system improvement.
- f. Monitoring, evaluating, and reevaluating trauma system-related corrective action plans implemented by the department.
- g. Assisting with development of an annual SEQIC report.

**138.2(2) Membership.** The director, pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.25, shall appoint members of SEQIC.

Pursuant to Iowa Administrative Code rule 641—191.6(135), SEQIC may establish a subcommittee of medical care consultants whose expertise is needed. Subcommittees are subject to the approval of the department.

**138.2(3) Meetings/member attendance.** SEQIC shall establish bylaws pursuant to Iowa Administrative Code rule 641—191.5(135).

**138.2(4) Confidentiality.**

a. The data collected by and furnished to the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.26 shall not be a public record under Iowa Code chapter 22. The confidentiality of patients is to be protected, and the laws of this state shall apply with regard to patient confidentiality.

b. Proceedings, records, and reports reviewed or developed pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.25 constitute peer review records under Iowa Code section 147.135 and are not subject to discovery by subpoena or admissible as evidence. All information and documents received from a hospital or emergency care facility under Iowa Code chapter 147A shall be confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.6, subsection 4.

c. SEQIC may enter into a closed session proceeding pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5.

d. All committee and subcommittee members shall sign a confidentiality agreement not to divulge or discuss information obtained during a SEQIC closed session proceeding. Subcommittee members may be present only for that portion of the closed session proceeding pertaining to their expertise.

e. The signed confidentiality statements shall be kept on file at the department.

**138.2(5) Documentation.** The department, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.3, shall keep minutes of open session proceedings. The department, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5, shall also maintain minutes and tape recordings of closed session proceedings.

*a.* The department, at the close of each meeting, shall collect all confidential documents. No copies of confidential documents may be made or possessed by committee or subcommittee members.

*b.* The department shall approve all correspondence and communication generated by SEQIC prior to dissemination.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

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CHAPTER 139  
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT EMERGENCY CARE PROVIDER

**641—139.1(147A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*AED*” means automated external defibrillator.

“*CEHs*” means “continuing education hours” which are based upon a minimum of 50 minutes of training per hour.

“*Continuing education*” means training approved by the department which is obtained by a certified Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider to maintain, improve, or expand relevant skills and knowledge and to satisfy renewal of certification requirements.

“*Course completion date*” means the date of the final classroom session of an Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider course.

“*CPR*” means training and successful course completion in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, AED and obstructed airway procedures for all age groups according to recognized national standards.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency medical services*” or “*EMS*” means an integrated medical care delivery system to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the scene or during out-of-hospital patient transportation in an ambulance.

“*EMS instructor*” means an individual who has successfully completed an EMS instructor curriculum approved by the department, and is currently certified by the department as an EMS-I.

“*Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider*” or “*ILEECP*” means an individual who is certified by the Iowa law enforcement academy as an Iowa peace officer, and has successfully completed an emergency care provider curriculum approved by the department, and who is currently certified by the department as an Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider.

“*Iowa law enforcement training program*” means the law enforcement academy or a law enforcement training program approved by the department to conduct ILEECP emergency medical care training.

“*Law enforcement AED service program*” means a recognized Iowa law enforcement agency that has trained its peace officers in the use of an AED and has registered with the department as a law enforcement AED service program.

“*Student*” means any individual enrolled in a training program and participating in the didactic, clinical, or field experience portions.

**641—139.2(147A) Authority of Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider.** Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider may perform skills identified in the Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider curriculum approved by the department, plus the skill of automated defibrillation for which training can be documented.

**641—139.3(147A) Iowa law enforcement emergency care providers—requirements for enrollment in training programs.** To be enrolled in an Iowa law enforcement training program, an applicant shall:

1. Be at least 18 years of age at the time of enrollment.
2. Have a high school diploma or its equivalent.
3. Be able to speak, write and read English.

**641—139.4(147A) Iowa law enforcement emergency care providers—certification, renewal standards and procedures, and fees.**

**139.4(1) Application and examination.**

a. Applicants shall complete an EMS student registration form at the beginning of the course. EMS student registration forms are provided by the department.

b. EMS student registration forms shall be forwarded to the department by the training program no later than two weeks after the beginning of the course.

c. Upon satisfactory completion of the course and all training program requirements, including successful completion of the state certifying practical examination, the student shall be recommended by the training program to take the state certification written examinations. Candidates for state certification are not eligible to continue functioning as students in the clinical and field setting. State certification must be obtained to perform appropriate skills.

d. The practical examination shall be administered by the training program using the standards and forms provided by the department. The training program shall notify the department at least two weeks prior to the administration of a practical examination.

e. To be eligible to take the written examination, the student shall first pass the practical examination.

f. The student shall submit an EMS certification application form. EMS certification application forms are provided by the department.

g. When a student's EMS student registration or EMS certification application is referred to the department for investigation, the student shall not be certified until approved by the department.

h. The certifying written examinations shall be administered at times and places determined by the department.

i. No oral certification examinations shall be permitted; however, candidates may be eligible for appropriate accommodations. Contact the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

j. Practical examination fees shall be determined by the training program.

k. A student who fails the practical certification examination shall be required to repeat only those stations which were failed and shall have two additional opportunities to attain a passing score. The student may repeat the failed examination stations on the same day as determined by the training program. A student who fails a practical station for the third time shall be required to repeat the entire course in order to be eligible for certification. If a student fails the written examination, the practical examination remains valid for a 12-month period from the date it was successfully completed.

l. A student who fails to attain the appropriate overall score on the written certification examination shall have two additional opportunities to complete the entire examination and attain a passing score. Required overall passing score is 70 percent.

m. All examination attempts shall be completed within one year of the initial course completion date. If an individual is unable to complete the testing within one year due to medical reasons, an extension may be granted upon submission of a signed statement from a physician and approval by the department.

n. Examination scores shall be confidential except that they may be released to the training program which provided the training or released in a manner which does not permit the identification of an individual.

**139.4(2) *Renewal of certification.***

a. A certificate shall be valid for two years from issuance unless specified otherwise on the certificate or unless sooner suspended or revoked.

b. All continuing education requirements shall be completed during the certification period prior to the certificate's expiration date. Failure to complete the continuing education requirements prior to the expiration date shall result in an expired certification.

c. The application for renewal of certification shall be submitted to the department within the 90 days prior to the expiration date. Failure to submit a renewal application to the department within the 90 days prior to the expiration date (based upon the postmark date) shall cause the current certification to expire. Iowa law enforcement emergency care providers shall not function on an expired certification.

An individual who completes the required continuing education during the certification period, but fails to submit the application for renewal of certification within 90 days prior to the expiration date, shall be required to submit a late fee of \$30 to obtain renewal of certification.

d. An individual who has not completed the required continuing education during the certification period and is seeking to reinstate an expired certificate shall complete a refresher course approved by the department and pass the practical and written certification examinations.

*e.* If an individual is unable to complete the required continuing education during the certification period due to an illness or injury, an extension of certification may be issued upon submission of a signed statement from a physician and approval by the department.

**139.4(3) *Renewal standards.*** To be eligible for renewal, the certificate holder shall:

*a.* Have signed and submitted an application for renewal of certification, provided by the department, within the 90 days prior to the certificate's expiration date.

*b.* Have a current CPR course completion card or a signed and dated statement from a recognized CPR instructor that documents current course completion in CPR.

*c.* Have completed four continuing education hours during the certification period including a minimum of one hour in the following topics:

Infectious diseases

Abuse (child and dependent adult)

Trauma emergencies

Medical emergencies

*d.* Notify the department of a change in address.

*e.* Maintain a file containing documentation of continuing education hours accrued during each certification period and retain this file for four years from the end of each certification period.

A group of individual certificate holders will be audited for each certification period and will be required to submit verification of continuing education compliance within 45 days of the request. If audited, the following information must be provided: date of program, program sponsor number, title of program, and number of hours approved. Certificate holders audited will be chosen in a random manner or at the discretion of the bureau of EMS. Falsifying reports or failure to comply with the audit request may result in formal disciplinary action.

#### **641—139.5(147A) Iowa law enforcement training programs.**

**139.5(1) *Curricula.***

*a.* The training program shall use the course curricula approved by the department for an Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider and shall include, as a minimum, the following course components:

1. Twenty-four hours of classroom instruction.

2. Practical and written examinations.

3. Clinical and field experience as may be required by the training program.

*b.* The training program may waive portions of the required training by documenting equivalent training and what portions of the course have been waived for equivalency.

*c.* An individual currently certified by the department as an emergency medical care provider, pursuant to 641—Chapter 132, may request Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider certification. Such a request must be made in writing to the department with documentation of credentials as an Iowa peace officer.

**139.5(2) *Staff.***

*a.* Course coordinators, outreach course coordinators, and primary instructor(s) used for the Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider course shall be currently certified by the department as EMS instructors.

*b.* Practical examination evaluators used for the Iowa law enforcement emergency care provider course shall attend a workshop sponsored by the department.

**641—139.6(147A) Law enforcement AED service program authorization.** A recognized Iowa law enforcement agency that desires to allow its peace officers to use an AED may register with the department to provide AED coverage. The purpose of this rule is to allow law enforcement agencies to train their peace officers in the use of the automated external defibrillator and to provide AED coverage when appropriately trained personnel are available. This rule is intended to enhance and supplement the local EMS system with nontraditional early defibrillation agencies.

**139.6(1)** Training requirements. Law enforcement personnel wishing to provide AED coverage as part of an Iowa law enforcement agency shall have current course completion in:

*a.* Adult CPR, including one rescuer CPR, foreign body airway obstruction, rescue breathing, recovery position, and activating the EMS system; and

*b.* A nationally recognized AED course approved by the department.

**139.6(2)** Iowa law enforcement AED service program—registration, guidelines, and standards. An Iowa law enforcement agency may register with the department to provide AED coverage. Iowa law enforcement AED service programs seeking registration with the department shall:

*a.* Complete the department's AED service program registration form.

*b.* Provide an AED liaison who shall be responsible for supervision of the AED service program.

*c.* Implement a policy for periodic maintenance of the AED.

*d.* Ensure that the service program's AED providers maintain AED and CPR skill competency.

*e.* Identify which authorized Iowa ambulance service program(s) will provide patient transportation.

*f.* Reregister with the department every five years.

**139.6(3)** Complaints and investigations shall be conducted as with any complaint received against an EMS service program, applying rule 641 IAC 132.10(147A).

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

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CHAPTER 140  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT GRANTS FUND

**641—140.1(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Ambulance service*” means any privately or publicly owned service program which utilizes ambulances in order to provide patient transportation and emergency medical services.

“*Applicant*” means a county EMS association or regional EMS council that has submitted an application for an emergency medical services system development grant.

“*CEHs*” means continuing education hours which are based upon a minimum of 50 minutes of training per hour.

“*Continuing education*” means training approved by the department which is obtained by a certified emergency medical care provider to maintain, improve, or expand relevant skills and knowledge and to satisfy renewal of certification requirements.

“*County EMS association*” means a countywide group of EMS providers and various agency and organization representatives and consumers who provide leadership for the local EMS system on needs and objectives. The county EMS association should also include representatives of services located in a neighboring county if service is provided on a regular basis to residents of the county receiving funding.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency medical care personnel*” or “*provider*” means any individual currently certified by the department pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.6.

“*Emergency medical services*” or “*EMS*” means an integrated medical care delivery system to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the scene or during out-of-hospital patient transportation in an ambulance.

“*EMS course*” means a course for emergency medical care personnel pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.4, subsection 2.

“*EMS medical care provider*” means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*Fiscal year*” means the 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

“*Infrastructure*” means those elements that make up an EMS system.

“*Nontransport service*” means any privately or publicly owned rescue or first response service program which does not provide patient transportation (except when no ambulance is available or in a disaster situation) and utilizes only first response vehicles to provide emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency.

“*Regional EMS council*” means a multicounty nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to facilitate EMS development on a regional basis.

“*Service program*” means any 24-hour emergency medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*Strategic plan*” means a document produced via a multiagency effort to evaluate and define needs and goals to improve the local EMS system.

“*Training*” means EMS-related courses designed and intended for EMS providers and includes any item used in training including, but not limited to, slides, films, mannequins, emergency care devices, books and other items pertinent and necessary for training purposes.

**641—140.2(135) Purpose.** The EMS system development grant is intended to supplement EMS funds at the regional, county or local level to promote EMS system development.

**641—140.3(135) County EMS associations.** Each county shall have a county EMS association, council or board to develop and maintain the countywide EMS system strategic plan and to provide leadership on related EMS system development funding needs and objectives.

**641—140.4(135) County EMS system development grants.** Grants for EMS system development proposals at the regional, county, and local level are available through a competitive selection process from the department for equipment, training, and support of infrastructure needs as identified in the countywide EMS strategic plan. Funds for training will be used to train members of a service program that provides service on a regular basis to residents of the county being funded. Funds for equipment require a \$1 match of regional, county, or local funds for each \$1 of EMS system development grant funds.

**140.4(1) Eligible costs.** Costs which are eligible for EMS system development grant expenditures as defined in the request for proposal (RFP) include:

- a. Training.
  - (1) Reimbursement for initial training tuition, fees and materials up to an amount that is the lowest fee charged by the training entity following successful completion of an EMS course. Practical and written examination fees may also be included.
  - (2) Payment of continuing education tuition, fees and materials. Education provided by an EMS service program for the general public is an allowable expense.
  - (3) Payment for EMS training aids.
- b. Other equipment as defined by the RFP.
- c. Infrastructure support.
  - (1) Development and enhancement of EMS systems.
  - (2) Office equipment and supplies necessary to coordinate a countywide EMS system.
  - (3) Personnel services for staffing to provide countywide continuous quality improvement and medical direction.

The title to any EMS equipment purchased with these funds shall not lie with the department, but shall be determined by the county EMS association.

**140.4(2) Ineligible costs.** Costs which are not eligible for funding include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Certification/recertification fees.
- b. Building and construction costs.
- c. Debt amortization.
- d. Land.
- e. Rent.
- f. Utilities.
- g. Vehicles including, but not limited to, ambulances, fire apparatus, boats, rescue/first response vehicles, snowmobiles and vehicle parts.

**641—140.5(135) Disbursement of funds.** Rescinded IAB 2/2/05, effective 3/9/05.

**641—140.6(135) Application denial or partial denial—appeal.** Rescinded IAB 2/2/05, effective 3/9/05.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.25.

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CHAPTER 141  
LOVE OUR KIDS GRANT

**641—141.1(321) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Applicant*” means an individual, organization, or entity that has as its responsibility the development, promotion, and implementation of injury prevention and education initiatives for children and who has submitted an application for a love our kids grant.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Fiscal year*” means the 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

“*Project period*” means the period of time which the department intends to support the project.

“*Service delivery area*” means the defined geographic area for delivery of project services. Applications shall not fragment existing integrated service delivery within the defined geographic area.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

**641—141.2(321) Purpose.** The purpose of the love our kids grant is to provide grant funding to statewide, regional and local agencies and service programs that have as their responsibility the development, promotion, and implementation of injury prevention and education initiatives for children in Iowa.

**641—141.3(321) Funding limitations.** Grants awarded under this program shall be subject to the guidelines within the contract and the following, including but not limited to:

**141.3(1)** Up to 10 percent of the funds generated by this program may be retained by the department for program management.

**141.3(2)** Rescinded IAB 12/6/06, effective 11/8/06.

**141.3(3)** Following the disbursement of the funds pursuant to subrule 141.3(1), depending upon availability of funds, up to 24 contracts, with a goal of funding at least three per EMS region for \$1500 each, may be made available to statewide, regional and local agencies or service programs that are located within the federally appointed rural areas (listing of eligible rural counties can be found at <http://ruralhealth.hrsa.gov>) and have as their responsibility the development, promotion, and implementation of injury prevention and education initiatives for children.

**141.3(4)** Expenditures occurring prior to the project period are not eligible for reimbursement.

**141.3(5)** Grant awards shall be subject to the availability of funds.

**641—141.4(321) Use of funds.** Funds may be used for injury prevention initiatives specified within the guidelines for children aged birth to 21 including but not limited to:

1. Education and materials;
2. Training materials and equipment;
3. Safety equipment;
4. Public information and education campaigns;
5. Conferences/seminars/workshops;
6. Systems development;
7. Contractual services;
8. Personnel costs.

**641—141.5(321) Application process.** An application for a love our kids grant is required and available from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The application process is as follows:

**141.5(1)** Applications from qualified applicants shall be submitted to the department prior to July 1 of each year.

**141.5(2)** The department shall review the application, and may approve, partially approve, request clarification or request a new application.

**641—141.6(321) Application denial or partial denial—appeal.**

**141.6(1)** Denial or partial denial of an application shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the applicant of denial or partial denial shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**141.6(2)** Any request for appeal concerning denial or partial denial shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 30 days of the receipt of the department's notice. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the denial or partial denial. If no request for appeal is received within the 30-day time period, the department's notice of denial or partial denial shall become the department's final agency action.

**141.6(3)** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information which may be provided by the aggrieved party shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**141.6(4)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 4, Iowa Administrative Code.

**141.6(5)** When the hearing officer makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken as provided in subrule 141.6(6).

**141.6(6)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**141.6(7)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**141.6(8)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**141.6(9)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**141.6(10)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**141.6(11)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 147A.4 and Iowa Code Supplement section 321.34.



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CHAPTER 142  
OUT-OF-HOSPITAL DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE ORDERS

**641—142.1(144A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Adult*” means an individual 18 years of age or older.

“*Attending physician*” means a physician selected by, or assigned to, the patient who has primary responsibility for the treatment and care of the patient.

“*Comfort care*” means care within the scope of the health care provider’s training and certification to alleviate pain and suffering, but does not include resuscitative measures.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Emergency medical care*” means such medical procedures as:

1. Administration of intravenous solutions.
2. Intubation.
3. Performance of cardiac defibrillation and synchronized cardioversion.
4. Administration of emergency drugs as provided by rule by the department.
5. Any other medical procedure approved by the department, by rule, as appropriate to be performed by emergency medical care providers who have been certified in that procedure.

“*EMS provider*” means an emergency medical care provider as defined in Iowa Code section 147A.1.

“*Health care provider*” means a person, including an emergency medical care provider, who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized or permitted by the law of this state to administer health care in the ordinary course of business or in the practice of a profession.

“*Hospital*” means any hospital licensed under the provisions of Iowa Code section 135B.1.

“*Life-sustaining procedure*” means any medical procedure, treatment, or intervention, including resuscitation, which utilizes mechanical or artificial means to sustain, restore or supplant a spontaneous vital function, and when applied to a patient in a terminal condition, would serve only to prolong the dying process. “Life-sustaining procedure” does not include the provision of nutrition or hydration except when required to be provided parenterally or through intubation or the administration of medication or performance of any medical procedure deemed necessary to provide comfort care or to alleviate pain.

“*Medical direction*” means direction, advice, or orders provided by a medical director, supervising physician, or physician designee (in accordance with written parameters and protocols) to emergency medical care providers.

“*Medical director*” means any physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A who shall be responsible for overall medical direction of the service program and who has completed a medical director workshop, sponsored by the department, within one year of assuming duties.

“*On-line medical direction*” means immediate medical direction provided directly to service program emergency medical care providers, in accordance with written parameters and protocols, by the medical director, supervising physician or physician designee either on scene or by any telecommunications system.

“*Out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate identifier*” or “*OOH DNR identifier*” means a durable yet easily removable unique identification approved by the department and worn by a patient who has an out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order.

“*Out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order*” or “*OOH DNR order*” means a written order on a form approved by the department, signed by an attending physician, executed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 144A.7A and issued consistent with Iowa Code section 144A.2, that directs the withholding or withdrawal of resuscitation when an adult patient in a terminal condition is outside the hospital.

“*Out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate protocol*” or “*OOH DNR protocol*” means the statewide protocol approved by the department and intended to avoid unwarranted resuscitation by emergency medical care providers when a valid out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order or identifier is encountered.

“*Patient*” means any individual who is sick, injured, or otherwise incapacitated.

“*Physician*” means any individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

“*Physician assistant*” or “*PA*” means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148C.

“*Physician designee*” means any registered nurse licensed under Iowa Code chapter 152, or any physician assistant licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148C and approved by the board of physician assistant examiners. The physician designee acts as an intermediary for a supervising physician in accordance with written policies and protocols in directing the actions of emergency medical care providers.

“*Qualified patient*” means any adult patient as defined in Iowa Code section 144A.2.

“*Registered nurse*” or “*RN*” means an individual licensed pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 152.

“*Resuscitation*” means any medical intervention that utilizes mechanical or artificial means to sustain, restore, or supplant a spontaneous vital function, including but not limited to chest compression, defibrillation, intubation, and emergency drugs intended to alter cardiac function or otherwise to sustain life.

“*Service program*” or “*service*” means any medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

“*Supervising physician*” means any physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A. The supervising physician is responsible for medical direction of emergency medical care providers when such providers are providing emergency medical care.

“*Terminal condition*” means an incurable or irreversible condition that, without the administration of life-sustaining procedures, will, in the opinion of the attending physician, result in death within a relatively short period of time or a state of permanent unconsciousness from which, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, there can be no recovery.

**641—142.2(144A) Purpose.** These rules direct EMS providers and service programs on the processes for the recognition of OOH DNR orders or identifiers and implementation of the OOH DNR protocol. In addition, these rules set forth guidelines for consideration by health care providers and organizations to help ensure uniform and orderly understandings, processes and procedures for the use and implementation of OOH DNR orders consistent with the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 144A.

**641—142.3(144A,147A) Responsibilities of the department.**

**142.3(1) OOH DNR physician order.** The department designates the OOH DNR order form contained in Appendix A as the uniform OOH DNR order form to be used statewide. If an attending physician issues an OOH DNR order for a qualified patient, the physician shall use the form contained in Appendix A.

**142.3(2) OOH DNR personal identifier.** The department designates the identifier supplied by MedicAlert® as the uniform personal identifier to be used for mobile qualified patients statewide. Instructions for obtaining a uniform personal identifier are contained in Appendix A.

**142.3(3) OOH DNR protocol.** The department designates the OOH DNR protocol contained in Appendix B as the uniform protocol to be used by EMS providers in implementing an OOH DNR order.

**142.3(4) Appendix A and Appendix B forms.** Forms referenced in subrules 142.3(1) through 142.3(3) are available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or through the bureau of EMS’s Web site at [www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems).

**641—142.4(144A,147A) EMS providers.**

**142.4(1) Uniform protocol.** EMS providers shall act in accordance with the department’s OOH DNR protocol when implementing an OOH DNR order. EMS service programs shall incorporate the OOH DNR protocol as part of their service protocols and, using educational materials consistent with the curriculum developed and approved by the department, shall inform and educate EMS providers on the protocol’s requirements as well as the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 144A and these rules.

**142.4(2) Responsibility of the EMS provider.** The EMS provider responding outside a hospital as a member of a service program shall:

*a.* Evaluate the patient’s status and needs through an assessment consistent with the provider’s training and certification.

- b. Determine the existence of an OOH DNR order or that the patient is wearing an OOH DNR identifier.
- c. Honor the OOH DNR order or OOH DNR identifier worn by the patient.
- d. Discontinue resuscitation if the OOH DNR order or OOH DNR identifier worn by the patient is discovered after resuscitation has begun.
- e. Follow the OOH DNR protocol.
- f. Provide comfort care to the patient at all times.
- g. Contact on-line medical direction for further instructions as necessary to provide appropriate patient care.
- h. If uncertainty exists regarding the validity or applicability of the OOH DNR order or identifier, the EMS provider shall provide the necessary and appropriate resuscitation.
- i. Document compliance or noncompliance with the OOH DNR order and the reasons for not complying with the order, including evidence that the order was revoked or uncertainty regarding the validity or applicability of the order.

**641—142.5(144A) Guidelines for non-EMS health care providers, patients, and organizations.** In order to encourage understanding and implementation of OOH DNR orders and protocols throughout Iowa and honor a qualified patient's wishes and intent regarding the provision of life-sustaining procedures in an out-of-hospital setting consistent with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 144A, the following guidelines should be considered.

**142.5(1) Attending physicians who issue OOH DNR orders.** The attending physician should ensure that the following are accomplished:

- a. Establish that the patient is qualified because the patient:
  - (1) Is an adult; and
  - (2) Has a terminal condition.
- b. Explain to the patient or the individual legally authorized to act on the patient's behalf the implications of an OOH DNR order.
- c. If the qualified patient or individual legally authorized to act on the patient's behalf decides that the patient should not be resuscitated, the attending physician may issue the OOH DNR order on the prescribed uniform order form. The order will direct health care providers to withhold or withdraw resuscitation.
- d. Explain to the qualified patient or the individual legally authorized to act on the patient's behalf how the OOH DNR order is revoked.
- e. Include a copy of the order in the qualified patient's medical record.
- f. Provide a copy of the order to the qualified patient or the individual legally authorized to act on the patient's behalf.

**142.5(2) Qualified patients or legally authorized persons.** A qualified patient or a person legally authorized to act on a qualified patient's behalf should:

- a. Make an informed decision concerning resuscitation in the face of a terminal condition.
- b. Ensure that the qualified patient's family members are aware of this decision and inform them of the location of the OOH DNR order and the purpose of an OOH DNR identifier.
- c. Understand the process for revocation as described in rule 641—142.6(144A).

**142.5(3) Non-EMS health care providers.** A non-EMS health care provider contemplating resuscitation for a patient should:

- a. Evaluate the patient's status and needs through an assessment consistent with the provider's training, certification and licensure.
- b. Determine that the presenting condition is within the scope of the patient's terminal condition and is not the result of a motor vehicle collision, fire, mass casualty or other cause of a sudden accident or injury.
- c. Determine the existence of an OOH DNR order or that the patient is wearing an OOH DNR identifier.
- d. Honor the OOH DNR order or OOH DNR identifier worn by the patient.

*e.* Discontinue resuscitation if the OOH DNR order or OOH DNR identifier worn by the patient is discovered after resuscitation has begun.

*f.* Provide comfort care to the patient at all times.

*g.* If uncertainty exists regarding the validity or applicability of the OOH DNR order or identifier, the health care provider shall provide the necessary and appropriate resuscitation.

*h.* Document compliance or noncompliance with the OOH DNR order and the reasons for not complying with the order, including evidence that the order was revoked or uncertainty regarding the validity or applicability of the order or OOH DNR identifier.

**142.5(4) Hospitals.** A hospital licensed under Iowa Code chapter 135B:

*a.* Shall not be precluded from honoring an OOH DNR order entered in accordance with this chapter and in compliance with established hospital policies and protocols.

*b.* Should, to avail itself of the immunities provided within Iowa Code chapter 142, establish such policies and protocols to address an OOH DNR order or identifier encountered on a person who presents to the emergency department or in any other area within the facility if the person presents as a patient or visitor.

*c.* Should integrate policies and procedures with the OOH DNR protocol for hospital-based ambulance service programs, if present.

**142.5(5) Other health care organizations.** A nursing home, home health care agency, hospice, or other health care organization should establish policies and protocols consistent with these rules to address admitted patients who have OOH DNR orders.

**641—142.6(144A) Revocation of the out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order.** An OOH DNR order is deemed revoked at any time that a patient, or an individual authorized to act on the patient's behalf as designated on the OOH DNR order, is able to communicate in any manner the intent that the order be revoked, without regard to the mental or physical condition of the patient. A revocation is only effective as to the health care provider upon communication to that provider by the patient, an individual authorized to act on the patient's behalf as designated in the OOH DNR order, or by another person to whom the revocation is communicated by the patient.

**641—142.7(144A) Personal wishes of family members or other individuals who are not authorized to act on the patient's behalf.** The personal wishes of family members or other individuals who are not authorized in the order to act on the patient's behalf shall not supersede a valid OOH DNR order.

**641—142.8(144A) Transfer of patients.**

**142.8(1)** An attending physician who is unwilling to comply with an OOH DNR order or who is unwilling to comply with the provisions of Iowa Code section 144A.7A shall take all reasonable steps to effect the transfer of the patient to another physician.

**142.8(2)** If the policies of a hospital, nursing home, home health care agency, hospice or other health care organization preclude compliance with the OOH DNR order of a qualified patient, the provider shall take all reasonable steps to effect the transfer of the patient to an organization in which the provisions of Iowa Code section 144A.7A can be carried out.

**641—142.9(144A) Application to existing orders.**

**142.9(1)** An OOH DNR order or similar order executed prior to September 10, 2003, is valid and shall be honored in accordance with the then-applicable provisions of the law.

**142.9(2)** Health care providers may honor an OOH DNR order or identifier from another state if it can be validated and applied in a manner consistent with the OOH DNR order or identifier prescribed in these rules. In cases where there is uncertainty, clarification should be sought through on-line medical direction or resuscitation efforts should be initiated.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 144A.7A and 147A.4.

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APPENDIX A

Iowa Department of Public Health  
OUT-OF-HOSPITAL DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE ORDER

(Please type or print)

Date of Order: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Patient Information:

Name: (Last)\_\_\_\_\_(First)\_\_\_\_\_(Middle)\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_(City)\_\_\_\_\_ (Zip)\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Gender (Circle): M or F

Name of Hospice or Care Facility (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Attending Physician Order

As the attending physician for the above-named patient, I certify that this individual is over 18 years of age and has a terminal diagnosis. After consultation with this patient (or the patient’s legal representative), I hereby direct any and all health care providers, including qualified emergency medical services (EMS) personnel, to withhold or withdraw the following life-sustaining procedures in accordance with Iowa law (Iowa Code chapter 142A):

- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/Cardiac Compression (Chest Compressions).
- Endotracheal Intubation/Artificial or Mechanical Ventilation (Advance Airway Management).
- Defibrillation and Related Procedures.
- Use of Resuscitation Drugs.

**This directive does NOT apply to other medical interventions for comfort care.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Attending Physician (MD, DO)                      \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Attending Physician                      (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_  
Physician’s Telephone (Emergency)

**To the extent that it is possible, a person designated by the patient may revoke this order on the patient’s behalf. If the patient wishes to authorize any other person(s) to revoke this order, the patient MUST list those persons’ names below:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Patients please note:** Directions for obtaining a uniform identifier are listed on the back of this form. The uniform identifier is the key way the health care provider and/or EMS personnel can quickly recognize that you have an Out-of- Hospital Do-Not-Resuscitate order. If you are not wearing an identifier, the health care provider and/or EMS personnel may not realize that you do not want to be resuscitated.

**Physicians please note:** Information regarding the completion of an Out-of-Hospital Do-Not-Resuscitate order is on the back of this form.

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**Directions for obtaining a uniform identifier:**

The uniform identifier may be obtained through MedicAlert®<sup>1</sup>, which requires:

1. A completed MedicAlert® application, which is available in physician offices or through MedicAlert® by phoning (880)432-5378 or their Web site [www.medicalert.org](http://www.medicalert.org), and a new membership fee of \$35.
2. A copy of this completed OOH DNR order, which must accompany the MedicAlert® application or be sent to MedicAlert® prior to the identifier's being mailed.

*<sup>1</sup>MedicAlert® is a nonprofit 501C membership organization.*

**Suggested guidelines for physicians:**

1. Please review the Iowa Out-of-Hospital Do-Not-Resuscitate order and related protocol with the patient/patient's legal representative(s). The following points may be helpful:
  - Patient/patient's legal representative(s) listed on this order must understand the significance of this order, that in the event the patient's heart or breathing stops or malfunctions, the anticipated result of this order is death.
  - Patient/patient's legal representative(s) listed on this order may revoke this directive at any time. However, the desire to revoke must be communicated to the EMS or other health care professionals at the scene.
  - It is important to emphasize that this order does not apply to medical interventions to make the patient more comfortable.
  - The importance of wearing the uniform identifier for those qualified patients who would benefit from the mobility this offers should be stressed. It is also helpful to walk patients through the process they must follow to acquire the identifier.
2. Provide a copy of this order to the patient/patient's legal representative(s) listed on this order and place the original in the patient's medical records.

**The OOH DNR Order form is available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or through the Bureau of EMS's Web site [www.idph.state.ia.us/ems](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems).**



## APPENDIX B

**EMS OUT-OF-HOSPITAL DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE PROTOCOL**

**Purpose:** This protocol is intended to avoid unwarranted resuscitation by emergency care providers in the out-of-hospital setting for a *qualified patient*.<sup>1</sup> There must be a valid Out-of-Hospital Do-Not-Resuscitate (OOH DNR) order signed by the qualified patient's attending physician or the presence of the OOH DNR identifier indicating the existence of a valid OOH DNR order.

**No resuscitation:** Means withholding any medical intervention that utilizes mechanical or artificial means to sustain, restore, or supplant a spontaneous vital function, including but not limited to:

1. Chest compressions,
2. Defibrillation,
3. Esophageal/tracheal/double-lumen airway; endotracheal intubation, or
4. Emergency drugs to alter cardiac or respiratory function or otherwise sustain life.

**Patient criteria:** The following patients are recognized as qualified patients to receive no resuscitation:

1. The presence of the uniform OOH DNR order or uniform OOH DNR identifier, or
2. The presence of the attending physician to provide direct verbal orders for care of the patient.

*The presence of a signed physician order on a form other than the uniform OOH DNR order form approved by the department may be honored if approved by the service program EMS medical director. However, the immunities provided by law apply only in the presence of the uniform OOH DNR order or uniform OOH DNR identifier. When the uniform OOH DNR order or uniform OOH DNR identifier is not present, contact must be made with on-line medical control and on-line medical control must concur that no resuscitation is appropriate.*

**Revocation:** An OOH DNR order is deemed revoked at any time that a patient, or an individual authorized to act on the patient's behalf as listed on the OOH DNR order, is able to communicate in any manner the intent that the order be revoked. The personal wishes of family members or other individuals who are not authorized in the order to act on the patient's behalf shall not supersede a valid OOH DNR order.

**Comfort Care (♥):** When a patient has met the criteria for no resuscitation under the foregoing information, the emergency care provider should continue to provide that care which is intended to make the patient comfortable (a.k.a. ♥ Comfort Care). Whether other types of care are indicated will depend upon individual circumstances for which medical control may be contacted by or through the responding ambulance service personnel.

**♥ Comfort Care may include, but is not limited to:**

1. Pain medication.
2. Fluid therapy.
3. Respiratory assistance (oxygen and suctioning).

<sup>1</sup>*Qualified patient* means an adult patient determined by an attending physician to be in a terminal condition for which the attending physician has issued an Out-of-Hospital DNR order in accordance with the law. (Iowa Administrative Code 641—142.1(144A), definitions)



CHAPTER 143  
AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT PROGRAM

**641—143.1(135) Purpose.** An automated external defibrillator grant program is established to provide matching funds to eligible organizations that are seeking to implement an early defibrillation program. The objective of the grant program is to enhance and supplement the emergency response system in rural areas of the state by providing increased access to automated external defibrillator equipment by rural emergency and community personnel.

**641—143.2(135) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Automated external defibrillator*” or “*AED*” means an external semiautomatic device that determines whether defibrillation is required.

“*Community organization*” means an educational institution, nonprofit organization, social service agency, philanthropic organization, or business, trade, or professional association.

“*CPR*” means cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Early defibrillation program*” means a program established by the applicant to enhance and supplement the local EMS system.

“*EMS*” means emergency medical services.

“*Local board of health*” means a county, city, or district board of health.

“*Rural*” means a geographic area outside an urban or suburban setting with a population of less than 15,000 persons.

**641—143.3(135) Application process.** To be eligible for an automated external defibrillator program grant, a local board of health, community organization or city shall:

**143.3(1)** Properly complete and submit the department’s AED grant program application, which shall require an applicant to:

- a. Demonstrate the ability to provide matching funds of 50 percent of the cost of the program;
- b. Designate an individual who shall be responsible for the overall supervision of the early defibrillation program; and
- c. Include a plan for increasing rural emergency or community personnel access to automated external defibrillator equipment; and

**143.3(2)** Notify local EMS service programs of the intent to establish an early defibrillation program.

**641—143.4(135) Early defibrillation program.** A local board of health, community organization or city that receives an automated external defibrillator program grant shall:

**143.4(1)** Adopt and implement a policy that ensures establishment of an emergency plan of action; AED maintenance; personnel competency in the use of an AED and CPR; and a method for postevent analysis and staff debriefing.

**143.4(2)** Designate an individual who shall be responsible for the overall supervision of the early defibrillation program.

**143.4(3)** Submit an annual report to the department indicating the number of AED uses, patient outcomes and number of individuals trained.

**143.4(4)** Comply with the terms and conditions of the contract with the department for implementation of the program.

**641—143.5(135) Review process.** The department shall establish a request for proposal and application process for eligible organizations to apply for an automated external defibrillator program grant. The department shall establish a process to review applications, which shall include receiving input from a review committee. The review process and review criteria shall be described in the request for proposals.

**641—143.6(135) Appeals.** An applicant may appeal the denial of a properly submitted grant application. Appeals shall be governed by 641—176.8(135,17A).

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.26.

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CHAPTER 150  
IOWA REGIONALIZED SYSTEM OF PERINATAL HEALTH CARE

**641—150.1(135,77GA,ch1221) Purpose and scope.** Hospitals within the state shall determine whether to participate in Iowa's regionalized system of perinatal health care and shall select the hospital's level of participation in the regionalized system. A hospital having determined to participate in the regionalized system shall comply with the rules appropriate to the level of participation selected by the hospital.

Iowa's regionalized system of perinatal health care helps practitioners in rural Iowa to rapidly access specialty services for their patients even though such services may not exist in the local community. This is predicated on several factors, including the willingness of certain hospitals in moderate-to-large Iowa cities to provide specialty services and the presence of a functional system of patient transportation. These rules address how participating Iowa hospitals relate to the regionalized system and suggest a level of functioning which should identify the role each participating hospital plays in the system.

The following rules present a description of the levels of care among Iowa perinatal hospitals. The levels are as follows: Level I hospital, Level II hospital, Level II regional center, Level II regional neonatology center, and Level III center. The department is very much aware of the need for organization of limited resources in a rural state. Accordingly, the rules are designed to encourage and support the presence of a Level II regional center in areas not populous enough to support a Level III center.

These rules are not meant to hold Iowa hospitals and Iowa perinatal professionals to an impractical ideal. Although the rules are clearly not intended to serve as standards, they do specify particulars when feasible. For example, specification of a designated level of care for a hospital should be clearly evident from the descriptions. Levels of care are designated by the functional capacity of the hospital. Thus, it may be possible to have a number of Level II hospitals or Level III centers in one city.

The primary purpose of designation is to ensure Iowa perinatal patients appropriate care as close to their homes as possible. In an ideal situation, no community hospital would be more than 50 miles from a perinatal center. Unfortunately, Iowa's low population density precludes this. Accordingly, Iowa developed a network of regional centers.

The further intent of these rules is to ensure that when a hospital markets itself at a particular level of perinatal care, it is capable of providing that care. The public is entitled to know the level of functioning. The rules provide the framework to be used in defining and evaluating the level of perinatal services being offered.

**641—150.2(135,77GA,ch1221) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*"Categorization"* means a preliminary determination by the department that a hospital is capable of providing perinatal care at Level I, Level II, Level II regional, Level II regional neonatology center, or Level III care capabilities.

*"Certificate of verification"* means a document awarded by the department that identifies a hospital's level of perinatal care and term of verification at that level.

*"Department"* means the Iowa department of public health.

*"Director"* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*"Hospital"* means a facility licensed under Iowa Code chapter 135B or a comparable facility located and licensed in another state.

*"On-site verification survey"* means an on-site survey conducted by the department's statewide perinatal care program based at the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics to assess a hospital's ability to meet the level of designation selected by the hospital.

*"Perinatal advisory committee"* means the committee that provides review and counsel to the statewide perinatal care program based at the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics.

*"Perinatal guidelines advisory committee"* means the committee that provides consultation to the department regarding these rules for the regionalized system of perinatal health care.

*"Regionalized system of perinatal health care"* means the department's program for the provision of appropriate perinatal care as close to patients' homes as possible.

“*Respiratory distress*” means tachypnea (respiratory rate of 60 or more per minute), grunting, tugging, retracting, nasal flaring, or cyanosis. Any or all of these may constitute respiratory distress.

“*Statewide perinatal health care program*” means the educational team based at the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics and retained by the department of public health.

“*Verification*” means a process by which the department certifies a hospital’s capacity to provide perinatal care in accordance with criteria established for Level I hospitals, Level II hospitals, Level II regional centers, Level II regional neonatology centers, and Level III centers under these rules.

**641—150.3(135,77GA,ch1221) Perinatal guidelines advisory committee.**

**150.3(1) Purpose.** The director shall appoint an advisory committee to consult with the department in its development and maintenance of the regionalized system of perinatal health care. This advisory committee should not be confused with the perinatal advisory committee that provides review and counsel to the statewide perinatal care program.

**150.3(2) Appointment.**

*a.* Members of the advisory committee shall include a representative from each of the following organizations that chooses to designate a nominee to the director: Iowa Hospitals and Health Systems; Iowa Medical Society; Iowa Osteopathic Medical Association; Iowa Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics; Iowa Section, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; Iowa Academy of Family Physicians; Iowa Nurses Association; Iowa Association of Neonatal Nurses; Iowa Association of Women’s Health, Obstetrical and Neonatal Nurses; and Iowa Chapter, Great Plains Organization for Perinatal Health Care.

*b.* Nonvoting ex officio members of the committee shall include representatives from the department of inspections and appeals, the statewide perinatal health care program at the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics and the division of family and community health medical director at the department.

*c.* Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made.

*d.* Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the committee member and appointment of another. The chairperson of the committee shall notify the director of the department.

**150.3(3) Officers.** Officers of the committee shall be a chairperson and a vice-chairperson and shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year unless designated at the time of appointment. Vacancies in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice-chairperson. Vacancies in the office of vice-chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the committee, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting, the vice-chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice-chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**150.3(4) Meetings.**

*a.* The committee shall establish a meeting schedule on an annual basis to conduct its business. Meetings may be scheduled as business requires, but notice to members must be at least five working days prior to the meeting date. A four-week notice is encouraged to accommodate the schedules of members.

*b.* Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

*c.* Action on any issue before the committee can be taken only by a majority vote of the entire membership. The committee shall maintain information sufficient to indicate the vote of each member present.

**150.3(5) Subcommittees.** The committee may designate one or more subcommittees to perform such duties as may be deemed necessary.

**150.3(6) Expenses of committee members.** The following may be considered necessary expenses for reimbursement of committee members when incurred on behalf of committee business and are subject to established state reimbursement rates:



- a. Reimbursement for travel in a private car.
- b. Actual lodging and meal expenses including sales tax on lodging and meals.
- c. Actual expense of public transportation.

**641—150.4(135,77GA,ch1221) Categorization and selection of level of care designation.** Hospitals that have previously participated in the regionalized system of perinatal health care shall be categorized by the department at the level of care designation last verified by the department. A hospital that has chosen to participate in the regionalized system for the first time or that has chosen to select a new level of care designation shall:

1. Submit the following information to the department:
  - Description of the geographic area to be served.
  - Identification of the target population to be served.
  - Identification of Level I hospitals to be served.
  - Identification of unmet needs of the area to be served.
  - Demonstration of the ability to meet these rules.
2. Mail the information to:

Iowa Regionalized System of Perinatal Health Care  
 Iowa Department of Public Health  
 Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention  
 321 East 12th Street, Lucas State Office Building  
 Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075

**641—150.5(135,77GA,ch1221) Recommendation by the statewide perinatal care program.**

**150.5(1)** Upon receipt of the hospital's application information from the department, the statewide perinatal care program will provide verification of the hospital's ability to meet the criteria for the level of designation selected by the hospital. The results of the verification shall be submitted to the department, along with a recommendation to grant or deny the hospital a certificate of verification.

**150.5(2)** The statewide perinatal health care program shall also perform periodic on-site verification surveys of established perinatal service programs to verify the continued ability of each hospital visited to meet the criteria for the level of designation selected by the hospital. The results of each survey shall also be submitted to the department, along with a recommendation to continue, suspend, or revoke the hospital's certificate of verification.

**150.5(3)** Any review and evaluation of the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics' established perinatal service program shall be performed by the department, or for the department, by a person or entity unaffiliated with the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics.

**641—150.6(135,77GA,ch1221) Level I hospitals.**

**150.6(1) Definition.** Level I hospitals provide basic inpatient care for pregnant women and newborns without complications; manage perinatal emergencies, including neonatal resuscitation; provide leadership in early risk identification before and after birth; seek consultation or referral for high-risk patients; and provide public and professional education.

**150.6(2) Functions.** Level I hospitals have a family-centered philosophy. Parents have reasonable access to their newborns 24 hours a day within all functional units and are encouraged to participate in the care of their newborns. Generally, parents can be with their newborns in the mother's room. Noninfectious siblings may visit in the mother's room or in a designated space.

Level I hospitals have the capability to:

- a. Provide surveillance and care of all patients admitted to the obstetric service with an established triage system for identifying high-risk patients who should be transferred to a facility that provides Level II or higher care, prior to delivery;
- b. Provide proper detection and supportive care of unanticipated maternal-fetal problems that occur during labor and delivery;

- c. Perform emergency Cesarean sections as soon as possible after the decision to do the operation has been made;
- d. Provide transfusions of blood and fresh frozen plasma on a 24-hour basis;
- e. Provide anesthesia, pharmacy, radiology, respiratory support, electronic fetal heart-rate monitoring, and laboratory services on a 24-hour basis;
- f. Provide care of postpartum conditions;
- g. Evaluate the condition of healthy neonates and their continuing care until discharge;
- h. Resuscitate all neonates using the neonatal resuscitation program guidelines as published by the American Heart Association/American Academy of Pediatrics;
- i. Stabilize all neonates including unexpectedly small or sick neonates before transfer;
- j. Consult and arrange transfers in conjunction with the obstetrician, pediatrician or neonatologist at the referral center;
- k. Maintain a nursery for normal-term or near-term newborns.

**150.6(3) Physical facilities.** Physical facilities for perinatal care in hospitals should be conducive to care that meets the normal physiologic and psychosocial needs of mothers, neonates, fathers, and families. Special facilities should be available when deviations from the norm require uninterrupted physiologic, biochemical, and clinical observations of patients throughout the perinatal period. Labor, delivery, and newborn care facilities should be located contiguously.

The following recommendations are intended as general guidelines and are meant to be flexible enough to meet local needs. It is recognized that individual limitations of physical facilities for perinatal care may impede strict adherence to the recommendations. Furthermore, not all hospitals will have all the functional units described. Provisions for individual units should be consistent within the framework of a regionalized perinatal care system and the state and local public health regulations.

a. *Obstetric functional units.*

(1) Labor. Areas used for women in labor are equipped with the following components:

1. Adequate space for support persons, personnel, and equipment;
2. Adequate ventilation and temperature control;
3. A labor or birthing bed;
4. A storage area for the patient's clothing and personal belongings;
5. Adjustable lighting that is pleasant for the patient and adequate for examinations;
6. An emergency signal and an intercommunication system;
7. A sphygmomanometer and stethoscope;
8. Mechanical infusion equipment;
9. Fetal monitoring equipment;
10. Oxygen and suction outlets;
11. Access to at least one shower for use by labor patients; and
12. Storage facilities for supplies and equipment.

(2) Delivery.

1. Delivery rooms should be close to the labor rooms in order to afford easy access and to provide privacy to women in labor. A waiting area for families should be adjacent to the delivery suite, and restrooms should be located nearby.

2. Traditional delivery rooms and Cesarean birth rooms are similar in design to operating rooms. Vaginal deliveries can be performed in either room, whereas Cesarean birth rooms are designed especially for that purpose and are thus larger. Each type of birthing room is well lighted and environmentally controlled to prevent chilling of the mother and neonate.

3. It is desirable that Cesarean deliveries be performed in the obstetric unit; however, if this is not possible due to cost and space, equipment for neonatal stabilization and resuscitation, as described herein under 150.6(3) "b"(1), is available during delivery.

4. Each delivery room is maintained as a separate unit with the following equipment and supplies necessary for normal delivery and for the management of complications:

- Delivery/operating table that allows variation in position for delivery;
- Instrument table and solution basin stand;

- Instruments and equipment for vaginal delivery, repair of laceration, Cesarean delivery, and the management of obstetric emergencies;
- Solutions and equipment for the intravenous administration of fluids;
- Equipment for administration of all types of anesthesia, including equipment for emergency resuscitation of the mother;
- Individual oxygen, air, and suction outlets for mother and neonate;
- An emergency call system;
- Mirrors for patients to observe the birth;
- Wall clock with a second hand;
- Equipment for fetal heart rate monitoring; and
- Scrub sinks with controls strategically placed to allow observation of the patient.

5. 5. Trays containing drugs and equipment necessary for emergency treatment of both mother and neonate are kept in the delivery room area. Equipment necessary for the treatment of cardiac arrest is easily accessible.

(3) Postpartum care. The postpartum unit is flexible enough to permit comfortable accommodation of patients when the patient census is at its peak and use of beds for alternate functions when the patient census is low. Ideally, single-occupancy rooms should be provided; however, not more than two patients should share one room. If possible, each room in the postpartum unit should have its own toilet and hand-washing facilities. When this is not possible and it is necessary for patients to use common facilities, patients should be able to reach them without entering a general corridor. When the newborn rooms-in with the mother, the room should have hand-washing facilities, a mobile bassinet unit, and supplies necessary for the care of the newborn.

(4) Combined units (labor/delivery/recovery or labor/delivery/recovery/postpartum room).

1. Comprehensive obstetric and neonatal care can be provided to the low-risk and the high-risk parturient and infant and the family in a single room. A homelike, family-centered environment with the capability for providing high-risk care is a key design criterion for both the labor/delivery/recovery (LDR) and labor/delivery/recovery/postpartum (LDRP) rooms. Each room is equipped for all types of delivery except Cesarean deliveries or those that may require general anesthesia.

2. During the labor, delivery, and recovery phases, care can be provided in an LDR room or can be extended to include the postpartum period in an LDRP room.

3. Nurses providing care in combined units are knowledgeable in antepartum care, labor and delivery, postpartum care, and neonatal care, making the use of staff cost-effective and increasing the continuity and quality of care.

*b. Neonatal functional units.*

(1) Resuscitation/stabilization.

1. A resuscitation and stabilization bed should be available in the immediate area of delivery for those neonates who require it. Contingent upon their condition, neonates are moved from this area to the nursery for admission and stabilization and possible transfer to a Level II regional center or Level III center.

2. The resuscitation area contains the following items:

- Overhead source of radiant heat that can be regulated based on the infant's temperature; radiant warmers with accommodations for X-ray capabilities are recommended;
- Thin resuscitation/examination mattress that allows access on three sides;
- Wall clock;
- Equipment and medications as recommended by the neonatal resuscitation program. This includes a laryngoscope with infant-sized blades, endotracheal tubes, and resuscitation (breathing) bags with masks for full-term and preterm neonates;
- Oxygen, compressed air and suction sources that are separate from those for the mother;
- Equipment for examination, immediate care, and identification of the neonate.

3. The resuscitation area is usually within the delivery room, although it may be in a designated, contiguous, separate room. If resuscitation takes place in the delivery room, the area is large enough to ensure that the resuscitation of the neonate can be achieved without interference with or from the ongoing

care of the mother. Following stabilization of the neonate, the newborn's vital signs must be maintained (e.g., by using prewarmed blankets). The room temperature is kept at a level higher than that customary for patient rooms or operating suites. Qualified nursing staff is available to assess the newborn during this period.

(2) Admission/observation (transitional care stabilization).

1. The admission/observation area is for careful assessment of the neonate's condition during the first 24 hours after birth (i.e., during the period of physiologic adjustment to extrauterine life). This assessment may take place within one or more functional areas (e.g., the room in which the mother is recovering, the LDRP room, the newborn nursery, or a separate admission/observation area). In some hospitals, the newborn nursery is the primary area for transitional care, both for neonates born within the hospital and for those born outside the hospital.

2. The admission/observation area should be near the delivery/Cesarean birth room. If it is part of the maternal recovery area, which is preferable, physical separation of the mother and newborn during this period can be avoided.

3. The capacity of the admission/observation area depends on the size of the delivery service and the duration of close observation. The admission/observation area is well lighted, has a wall clock, and contains emergency resuscitation equipment similar to that in the designated resuscitation area.

4. The physicians' and registered nurses' assessments of the neonate's condition determine the subsequent level of care. Most neonates are transferred from the admission/observation area to the newborn nursery or to the postpartum area for rooming-in. Some neonates may require transfer to another facility. Consultation with a pediatrician or neonatologist and possible referral to a hospital offering a higher level of care should be initiated for infants with respiratory distress or those infants requiring oxygen therapy for more than two hours.

(3) Newborn nursery. Routine care of apparently normal full-term neonates who have demonstrated successful adaptation to extrauterine life may be provided either in the newborn nursery or in the area where the mother is receiving postpartum care. The nursery should be relatively close to the postpartum area. The newborn nursery is well lighted, has a large wall clock, and is equipped for emergency resuscitation.

**150.6(4) Medical personnel.**

a. The obstetric/newborn care area is under the supervision of a board-eligible or board-certified obstetrician-gynecologist, pediatrician or a physician with special interest and experience in obstetrics or pediatrics.

b. Adequate anesthesia coverage by a qualified anesthesia provider is available in a timely fashion for emergency situations on a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week basis.

c. For Cesarean sections or if neonatal problems are anticipated during vaginal delivery, a second physician or attendant who is skilled in resuscitation and care of the neonate should be in attendance.

**150.6(5) Nursing personnel.** Nurses assigned to the obstetrical/neonatal service demonstrate competency in the care of the mother and infant.

a. *Staffing.* Registered nurses assigned to the obstetrical/neonatal service must be licensed to practice in Iowa, complete an obstetrical or neonatal orientation and demonstrate obstetrical or neonatal competencies as defined by each hospital. At least one of these registered nurses must be available at all times. The primary responsibility of the registered nurse is the delivery of nursing care and departmental organization.

b. *Labor/delivery/immediate postpartum/newborn.*

(1) A registered nurse is responsible for the admission assessment of the gravida in labor, as well as continuing assessment and support of the mother and fetus during labor, delivery and the early postpartum period.

(2) A registered nurse is responsible for the admission assessment of the newborn, as well as continuing assessment during the stabilization period.

(3) Licensed practical nurses, nursing assistants and other appropriate technical personnel may assist in the care of the gravida in labor, but should be under the direct supervision of the registered nurse.

*c. Later postpartum period/newborn care.*

(1) Nursing care of the mother and newborn is directed and supervised by a registered nurse. A licensed practical nurse may provide care for patients without complications.

(2) Nurses have a supporting and teaching role in assisting mothers to care for their infants. This should be recognized and fostered.

**150.6(6) *Outreach education.*** Level I hospitals should assume an active role in the development and coordination of wellness and preventive programs concerning maternal/child health at the community level (e.g., programs on family planning, family-life education, parenting, breast feeding, cessation of smoking).

**150.6(7) *Allied health personnel and services.*** Level I hospitals have available, but are not limited to, the following allied health personnel and services:

- a.* Registered dietitian with knowledge of maternal and neonatal nutrition management;
- b.* Social worker;
- c.* Bioengineer-safety and environmental control;
- d.* Pharmacy;
- e.* Radiology;
- f.* Laboratory;
- g.* Pathology.

**150.6(8) *Infection control.***

*a.* Each hospital establishes written policies and procedures for assessing the health of personnel assigned to the perinatal care services and those who have significant contact with the newborn. This includes restricting their contact with patients when necessary. These policies and procedures include screening for tuberculosis and rubella. Routine culturing of specimens obtained from personnel is not useful, although selective culturing may be of value when a pattern of infection is suspected.

*b.* No special or separate isolation facilities are required for neonates born at home or in transit to the hospital. Detailed descriptions of the isolation categories and requirements should be available in each hospital's infection control manual.

**150.6(9) *Newborn safety.*** The protection of infants is the responsibility of all personnel in a facility. Infants are to be transported in a bassinet or stroller and should never be carried. Infants are transported one at a time and are never grouped in a hallway without direct supervision. Infants should always be within the sight and supervision of staff, the mother, or other family members or friends designated by the mother. Each hospital has a policy established that addresses strategies to promote infant safety.

**150.6(10) *Maternal-fetal transport.*** Maternal-fetal transport is an essential component of modern perinatal care. All facilities in the state providing obstetrics need to be familiar with their own resources and capabilities in dealing with obstetrical and neonatal complications. In most instances, maternal-fetal transport is preferable to neonatal transport. Each hospital, when transporting or accepting a transport, needs a system in place to facilitate a smooth transition of care in the most expeditious manner possible. The majority of maternal-fetal transports can be carried out by ground transportation. It is important for ambulance services to be equipped for maternal-fetal transport and have appropriately trained staff.

**641—150.7(135,77GA,ch1221) Level II hospitals.**

**150.7(1) *Definition.*** Level II hospitals provide the same care and services as Level I hospitals plus they provide management of certain high-risk pregnancies and services for newborns with selected complications. These hospitals deliver approximately 500 or more babies annually and have an obstetrician and pediatrician on staff. The perinatal unit is under the co-direction of a pediatrician and an obstetrician.

**150.7(2) *Functions.*** In addition to the functions of Level I hospitals, Level II hospitals have the capability to:

- a.* Manage selected high-risk pregnancies.
- b.* At a minimum, manage neonates of 34 weeks and greater gestation.
- c.* Manage recovering neonates who can be appropriately transferred from the referral center.
- d.* Maintain a special area designated for the care of sick neonates.

- e. Maintain nursing personnel with demonstrated competency in the care of sick neonates.
- f. Maintain nursing personnel with demonstrated competency in the care of high-risk mothers.

Consultation with a pediatrician or neonatologist and possible referral to a higher-level perinatal center should be initiated for infants requiring oxygen therapy for more than six hours or ventilatory care for more than two hours.

**150.7(3) Physical facilities.** Level II hospitals have the same physical facilities as Level I hospitals.

**150.7(4) Medical personnel.** Level II hospitals have the same medical personnel as Level I hospitals. In addition, the perinatal units in Level II hospitals are under the co-direction/supervision of either a board-eligible or board-certified obstetrician/gynecologist or a board-eligible or board-certified pediatrician for their respective areas. Allied medical specialists in various disciplines are on staff, including specialists in internal medicine, radiology, and pathology. Psychiatric services are available.

**150.7(5) Nursing personnel.** Level II hospitals have the same minimal requirements for nursing personnel as Level I hospitals. Nursing orientation and competencies in a Level II hospital are specific to the patient population they serve.

**150.7(6) Outreach education.** Level II hospitals have the same responsibility for outreach education as Level I hospitals.

**150.7(7) Allied health personnel and services.** Level II hospitals have the same allied health personnel and services available as Level I hospitals, with the addition of the following:

- a. Respiratory therapy.
- b. Ultrasound.

**150.7(8) Infection control.** Infection control guidelines are the same as for Level I hospitals.

**150.7(9) Newborn safety.** Level II hospitals have at least the same requirements for newborn safety as Level I hospitals.

**150.7(10) Maternal-fetal transport.** Level II hospitals have the same requirements for maternal-fetal transport as Level I hospitals. In addition, Level II hospitals are expected to accept patient referrals when appropriate. A critical function of providers at Level II hospitals is to communicate with the providers at Level I hospitals in deciding whether a particular patient should be transported to the Level II hospital. Careful assessment of the hospital's capabilities for perinatal management will be critical in these decisions. This information will need to be disseminated among the hospital staff. Providers of obstetric care need to know the critical gestational age limitations for their particular nursery. Below this gestational age, maternal-fetal transport should be utilized if delivery is anticipated and the circumstances permit.

**150.7(11) Perinatal care committee.**

a. All Level II hospitals maintain a perinatal care committee. Members of this committee should represent, but not be limited to, the fields of obstetrics, pediatrics, family practice, nursing, administration, laboratory, respiratory therapy, anesthesia and social services.

b. Responsibilities of the perinatal care committee include the following:

(1) Develop policies for the unit including provisions to ensure adequate patient care by qualified providers.

(2) Conduct a meeting at least semiannually to resolve problems related to the unit.

(3) Review educational activities conducted by the unit.

(4) Serve as a general liaison between the various groups represented on the committee.

#### **641—150.8(135,77GA,ch1221) Level II regional centers.**

**150.8(1) Definition.**

a. Level II regional centers have a developed neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). The sizes of the units vary because of the differing demands in the various regions in Iowa. Accordingly, a Level II regional center may have as few as four neonatal intensive care beds.

b. The obstetric service in a Level II regional center provides services for maternity patients at higher risk than those in Level II hospitals because of the presence of an NICU. However, reasonable efforts should be expended to transfer those patients whose newborns are likely to require a higher intensity of care not available in the Level II regional center but offered in a Level III center.

c. Level II regional centers provide the same care and services as Level II hospitals. In addition, Level II regional centers have the following differentiating characteristics:

- (1) A defined referral area;
- (2) A defined relationship with a Level III center either in Iowa or a contiguous state;
- (3) A minimum of three pediatricians and three obstetricians on staff; and
- (4) The ability to manage patients at higher risk than Level I or Level II hospitals. Complexity of care is determined by the training and experience of physicians and nursing staff and extent of support services available.

**150.8(2) Functions.** Level II regional centers have the same functions as Level II hospitals. In addition, Level II regional centers have the capability to:

- a. Accept selected maternal transports based on criteria developed in conjunction with the Level III center;
- b. Maintain nursing personnel demonstrating competency in the care of high-risk mothers;
- c. Maintain a defined neonatal intensive care unit;
- d. Maintain nursing personnel that demonstrate competency in the care of infants in neonatal intensive care;
- e. Provide care for infants requiring ventilatory support;
- f. Maintain a functioning neonatal transport team for the regional area served; and
- g. Provide for follow-up care of high-risk newborns in accordance with the Iowa high-risk infant follow-up program.

**150.8(3) Physical facilities.** Level II regional centers have the same physical facilities as Level II hospitals with the addition of the following.

a. *Obstetric functional units.*

(1) Labor/delivery. Patients who have significant medical or obstetric complications are cared for in a room especially equipped with cardiopulmonary resuscitation equipment and other monitoring equipment necessary for observation and special care. It is preferable that this room be located in the labor and delivery area and meet the physical requirements of any other intensive care room in the hospital. When patients with significant medical or obstetric complications are cared for in the labor and delivery area, the unit has the same capabilities as an intensive care unit.

(2) Postpartum. Larger services may have a specific recovery room for postpartum patients with a separate area for high-risk patients. Required equipment is similar to that needed in any surgical recovery room and includes equipment for monitoring vital signs, suctioning, administering oxygen, and infusing fluids intravenously. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation equipment must be immediately available.

b. *Neonatal functional units.*

(1) Continuous cardiopulmonary monitoring and constant nursing care and other support for severely ill infants are provided in the intensive care area. Because emergency care is provided in this area, laboratory and radiological services are readily available 24 hours a day. The results of blood gas analysis are available soon after blood sample collection.

(2) The neonatal intensive care area should be near the delivery/Cesarean birth room and should be easily accessible from the hospital's ambulance entrance. It should be away from routine hospital traffic.

(3) The amount and complexity of equipment are considerably greater than required in Level I and Level II nurseries. Equipment and supplies in the intensive care area include the same items as needed in the resuscitation and intermediate care areas. Immediate availability of emergency oxygen is essential. Continuous monitoring of delivered oxygen concentrations, patient oxygenation, body temperature, ECG, respirations and blood pressure should be available. Supplies should be kept close to the patient station so that nurses are not away from the neonate unnecessarily and may use their time and skills efficiently.

**150.8(4) Medical personnel.**

a. Level II regional centers have the same medical personnel as Level II hospitals with the addition of a board-eligible or board-certified pediatrician serving as director of the NICU. This physician maintains a consultative relationship with Level III physicians. Additionally, Level II regional centers have a minimum of three pediatricians and three obstetricians on staff.

b. If an infant is placed on mechanical ventilation, a physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or appropriate person capable of airway management and experienced in diagnosis is available in-house on a 24-hour basis.

**150.8(5) *Nursing personnel.*** Level II regional centers have the same minimal requirements for nursing personnel as Level II hospitals. Additionally, Level II regional center registered nurses have demonstrated competency in high-risk obstetrics or neonatal care.

**150.8(6) *Outreach education.*** Outreach education is provided to each hospital in the referral area at least once per year. This can be achieved by one or more of the following:

- a. Sponsoring an annual conference;
- b. Visiting Level I and Level II hospitals;
- c. Providing educational programs at the regional center for the staff members of the Level I and Level II hospitals;
- d. Sending written educational materials to the Level I and II hospitals.

**150.8(7) *Allied health personnel and services.*** Level II regional centers have the same allied health personnel and services available as Level II hospitals, with the addition of the following:

a. A respiratory therapist, certified lab technician/blood gas technician and an X-ray technologist should be in-house on a 24-hour basis when a neonate is being managed on mechanical ventilation.

b. Allied personnel should have special training and an interest in high-risk mothers and infants.

**150.8(8) *Infection control.*** Infection control guidelines are the same as for Level II hospitals.

**150.8(9) *Newborn safety.*** Level II regional centers have at least the same requirements for newborn safety as Level II hospitals.

**150.8(10) *Maternal-fetal transport.*** Level II regional centers have the same requirements for maternal-fetal transport as Level II hospitals. In addition, Level II regional centers are expected to provide transportation services.

**150.8(11) *Perinatal care committee.*** Level II regional centers have at least the same requirements for a perinatal care committee as Level II hospitals.

#### **641—150.9(135,77GA,ch1221) Level II regional neonatology centers.**

##### **150.9(1) *Definition.***

a. Level II regional neonatology centers provide the same care and services as Level II regional centers with the addition of a demonstrated commitment to providing a higher level of neonatology care. The Level II regional neonatology center will manage high-risk pregnancies and infants born at less than 34 weeks' gestation or weighing less than 1500 grams. Exceptions will be cases for which surgical intervention or pediatric subspecialty care is anticipated or needed.

b. The obstetric service in a Level II regional neonatology center provides services for maternity patients at higher risk than those in Level II hospitals because of the presence of a NICU. However, reasonable efforts should be expended to transfer those patients whose newborns are likely to require a higher intensity of care not available in the Level II regional neonatology center but offered in a Level III center. Efforts should also be made to transfer those patients to a Level III center when the pregnancy has risk factors that require the care of a maternal-fetal medicine specialist.

c. Level II regional neonatology centers provide the same care and services as Level II regional centers. In addition, Level II regional neonatology centers have the following differentiating characteristics:

- (1) A defined referral area;
- (2) A defined relationship with a Level III center either in Iowa or a contiguous state;
- (3) A minimum of two board-eligible or board-certified neonatal/perinatal medicine subspecialists on staff;
- (4) Neonatology care available on a continuous 24-hour basis, with at least three obstetricians on staff; and
- (5) A medical director in the neonatal intensive care unit who is a full-time, board-eligible or board-certified pediatrician with board eligibility or certification in neonatal/perinatal medicine.



**150.9(2) Functions.** Level II regional neonatology centers have the same functions as Level II regional centers.

- a. Accept selected maternal transports based on criteria developed in conjunction with the Level III center;
- b. Maintain nursing personnel demonstrating competency in the care of high-risk mothers;
- c. Maintain a defined neonatal intensive care unit;
- d. Maintain nursing personnel that demonstrate competency in the care of infants in neonatal intensive care;
- e. Provide care for infants requiring ventilatory support;
- f. Maintain a functioning neonatal transport team for the regional area served; and
- g. Provide for follow-up care of high-risk newborns in accordance with the Iowa high-risk infant follow-up program.

**150.9(3) Physical facilities.** Level II regional neonatology centers have the same physical facilities as Level II regional centers; however, they have special equipment for infants born at less than 34 weeks' gestation or weighing less than 1500 grams, and they serve a more complicated patient population.

**150.9(4) Medical personnel.**

- a. Level II regional neonatology centers have the same medical personnel as Level II regional centers.
- b. The medical director of the neonatal intensive care unit is a full-time, board-eligible or board-certified pediatrician with certification in neonatal/perinatal medicine. This physician maintains a consultative relationship with Level III physicians.
- c. Anesthesia providers on staff have special training or experience in obstetric and pediatric anesthesia.
- d. A pediatric cardiologist is active on staff.
- e. A neonatologist shall be on the premises when unstable critically ill infants are in the Level II regional neonatology center.

**150.9(5) Nursing personnel.** Level II regional neonatology centers have the same minimal requirements for nursing personnel as Level II regional centers. Additionally, registered nurses in the NICU of Level II regional neonatology centers must have specialty certification or advanced training and experience in the nursing management of high-risk neonates and their families.

**150.9(6) Outreach education.** Outreach education is provided to each hospital in the referral area at least once per year. This can be achieved by one or more of the following:

- a. Sponsoring an annual conference;
- b. Visiting Level I and Level II hospitals;
- c. Providing educational programs at the regional center for the staff members of the Level I and Level II hospitals;
- d. Sending written educational materials to the Level I and II hospitals.

**150.9(7) Allied health personnel and services.** Level II regional neonatology centers have the same allied health personnel and services available as Level II regional centers, with the addition of the following:

- a. Respiratory therapists, certified lab technicians/blood gas technicians, X-ray technologists, and ultrasound technicians with neonatal/perinatal experience available on a 24-hour basis.
- b. Social services, with social workers assigned specifically to the maternal and neonatal units.

**150.9(8) Infection control.** Infection control guidelines are the same as for Level II hospitals and Level II regional centers.

**150.9(9) Newborn safety.** Level II regional neonatology centers have at least the same requirements for newborn safety as Level II regional centers.

**150.9(10) Maternal-fetal transport.** Level II regional neonatology centers have the same requirements for maternal-fetal transport as Level II hospitals and Level II regional centers. In addition, Level II regional neonatology centers are expected to provide neonatal transportation services.

**150.9(11) *Perinatal care committee.*** Level II regional neonatology centers maintain a perinatal care committee with the same required meetings and membership as the Level II hospitals and Level II regional centers.

**150.9(12) *Quality improvement.*** Centers that routinely provide care to infants born at less than 34 weeks' gestation or weighing less than 1500 grams shall maintain a patient database of all NICU admissions that includes an accounting of patient mortality and morbidity for the benchmarking of results against other centers (national or statewide) and for the purpose of continuous review and quality improvement.

**641—150.10(135,77GA,ch1221) Level III centers.**

**150.10(1) *Definition and function.*** Level III centers provide the same care and services as Level II regional centers, plus they manage high-risk pregnancies and neonates, with the possible exception of a few very specialized complications. The Level III center is an extension of the Level II regional center and serves the same regional functions. The differentiating factor between them is primarily one of additional professional staff and more extensive physical facilities. There may be multiple Level III centers in the same city.

**150.10(2) *Physical facilities.*** Level III centers have the same physical facilities as Level II regional centers; however, they have more equipment and serve a more complicated patient population.

**150.10(3) *Medical personnel.***

*a.* The medical director of the maternal-fetal intensive care unit is a full-time, board-eligible or board-certified obstetrician with certification in maternal-fetal medicine.

*b.* The medical director of the neonatal intensive care unit is a full-time, board-eligible or board-certified pediatrician with certification in neonatal/perinatal medicine.

*c.* Anesthesia providers on staff have special training or experience in obstetric and pediatric anesthesia.

*d.* A pediatric surgeon is on staff.

*e.* A pediatric cardiologist is on staff.

*f.* These physicians must be immediately available to the Level III center and reside in the same metropolitan area as the hospital.

*g.* A neonatologist should be on the premises when unstable critically ill infants are in the Level III center. An obstetrician should be on the premises when unstable critically ill mothers are in the Level III center.

**150.10(4) *Nursing personnel.*** Level III centers have the same minimal requirements for nursing personnel as Level II regional centers. The nurse managers of the perinatal units in Level III centers have prior experience in maternal or pediatric nursing and have a minimum of a bachelor of science in nursing degree, or a bachelor's degree in a related field.

**150.10(5) *Outreach education.*** Level III centers have the same responsibilities for outreach education as Level II regional centers.

**150.10(6) *Allied health personnel and services.*** Level III centers have the same allied health personnel and services as Level II regional centers. Additionally, Level III centers have respiratory therapists, certified lab technicians/blood gas technicians, X-ray technologists and ultrasound technicians with neonatal/perinatal experience available on a 24-hour basis. Level III centers also have social work services with social workers assigned specifically to the maternal and neonatal units.

**150.10(7) *Infection control.*** Infection control guidelines are the same as for Level II regional centers.

**150.10(8) *Newborn safety.*** Level III centers have at least the same requirements for newborn safety as Level II regional centers.

**150.10(9) *Maternal-fetal transport.*** Level III centers have the same requirements for maternal-fetal transport as Level II regional centers. In addition, Level III centers are capable of providing ground and air transportation whose crews have demonstrated competencies in maternal/neonatal resuscitation. Important decisions to be made jointly will include the appropriateness of transport, the best mode of transportation, the need for additional personnel accompanying the transport, and the appropriate medical management to initiate prior to transport.

**150.10(10)** *Perinatal care committee.* Level III centers maintain a perinatal care committee with additional representation by surgical specialties.

**641—150.11(135,77GA,ch1221) Grant or denial of certificate of verification; and offenses and penalties.**

**150.11(1)** Upon receipt of the on-site survey results, the department shall within 30 days issue its decision to grant or deny the hospital a certificate of verification. The department may deny verification or may give a citation and warning, place on probation, suspend, or revoke existing verification if the department finds reason to believe the hospital's perinatal care program has not been or will not be operated in compliance with these rules. The denial, citation and warning, period of probation, suspension, or revocation shall be effected and may be appealed in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12.

**150.11(2)** All complaints regarding the operation of a participating hospital's perinatal care program shall be reported to the department and to the department of inspections and appeals.

**150.11(3)** Complaints and the investigative process shall be treated as confidential to the extent they are protected by Iowa Code section 22.7.

**150.11(4)** Complaint investigations may result in the department's issuance of a notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation.

**150.11(5)** Notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code section 17A.12. Notice to the hospital of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**150.11(6)** Any request for a hearing concerning the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall be submitted by the aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's notice to take action. The address is: Iowa Regionalized System of Perinatal Health Care, Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, 321 East 12th Street, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. If the request is made within the 20-day time period, the notice to take action shall be deemed to be suspended pending the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation has been or will be removed. If no request for a hearing is received within the 20-day time period, the department's notice of denial, citation and warning, probation, suspension or revocation shall become the department's final agency action.

**150.11(7)** Upon receipt of a request for hearing, the request shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by that agency regarding the transmission of contested cases. The information upon which the adverse action is based and any additional information, which may be provided by the aggrieved party, shall also be provided to the department of inspections and appeals.

**150.11(8)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 10, Iowa Administrative Code.

**150.11(9)** When the administrative law judge makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceedings ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is taken.

**150.11(10)** Any appeal to the director for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for an appeal shall state the reason for appeal.

**150.11(11)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules.

- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript.
- c. A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings on them.
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions.
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**150.11(12)** The decision and order of the director becomes the department's final agency action upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

**150.11(13)** It is not necessary to file an application for a rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19. The aggrieved party to the final agency action of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**150.11(14)** Any petition for judicial review of a decision and order shall be filed in the district court within 30 days after the decision and order becomes final. A copy of the notice of appeal shall be sent to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service. The address is: Iowa Regionalized System of Perinatal Health Care, Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention, 321 East 12th Street, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**150.11(15)** The party who appeals a final agency action to the district court shall pay the cost of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**150.11(16)** Final decisions of the department relating to disciplinary proceedings may be transmitted to the department of inspections and appeals and to the appropriate professional associations or news media.

**641—150.12(135,77GA,ch1221) Prohibited acts.** A hospital that imparts or conveys, or causes to be imparted or conveyed, that it is a participating hospital in Iowa's regionalized system of perinatal health care, or that uses any other term, such as a designated level of care, to indicate or imply that the hospital is a participating hospital in the regionalized system of perinatal health care without having obtained a certificate of verification from the department is subject to licensure disciplinary action by the department of inspections and appeals, as well as to the application by the director to the district court for a writ of injunction to restrain the use of the term or terms "Level I hospital," "Level II hospital," "Level II regional center," "Level II regional neonatology center," and "Level III center" in relation to the provision of perinatal health care services.

**641—150.13(135,77GA,ch1221) Construction of rules.** Nothing in these administrative rules shall be construed to restrict a hospital from providing any services for which it is duly authorized.

These rules are intended to implement 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1221, section 5, subsection 4 "a" (2)(c).

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CHAPTER 151  
TOBACCO USE PREVENTION AND CONTROL  
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE

**641—151.1(142A) Scope.** These rules apply to community partnerships established under Iowa Code chapter 142A as part of a comprehensive tobacco use prevention and control initiative to reduce tobacco use by youth and pregnant women, to promote compliance by minors and retailers with tobacco sales laws and ordinances, to enhance the capacity of youth to make healthy choices and to foster a social and legal climate in which tobacco use becomes undesirable and unacceptable.

**641—151.2(142A) Community partnership areas.** It is the goal of the commission on tobacco use prevention and control that the entire state be divided into multiple community partnership areas, so that all portions of the state are included in a community partnership area and no portion of the state is without the services of a community partnership. Toward this goal, the commission will encourage formation of community partnership areas that incorporate surrounding communities in a manner that does not isolate any geographic region of the state, and encourages optimal use of resources. In addition to the requirements of Iowa Code section 142A.8(1), a community partnership area:

**151.2(1)** Shall be composed of one or more counties, school districts, economic development enterprise zones, or community empowerment areas.

**151.2(2)** Shall follow existing boundaries of one or more counties, school districts, economic development enterprise zones, or community empowerment areas.

**151.2(3)** Shall serve a population of at least 4,000, including a minimum school-age population of 500.

**151.2(4)** Shall serve a minimum geographic area of one county.

**641—151.3(142A) Community partnerships.** A community partnership is a public agency or nonprofit organization which utilizes broad community involvement and represents a broad coalition of community groups, organizations, and interests. Community partnerships shall promote a wide range of activities that discourage tobacco use and support smoke-free environments. Some of these activities include developing coalitions with local organizations, conducting educational programs and encouraging policies that support tobacco use prevention and cessation.

**641—151.4(142A) Application requirements for community partnerships.** In order to qualify for funding through the tobacco use prevention and control program, a public agency or nonprofit organization seeking to be designated as a community partnership must apply to, and be approved by, the department of public health. Only one application per community partnership will be accepted. An application must provide the following information:

**151.4(1)** A description of the community partnership area to be served by the community partnership, including:

*a.* The geographic boundaries of the area;

*b.* Population, including both general population and school-age population, of the area;

**151.4(2)** A description of the applicant, including a description of the governing structure of the agency or organization, a table of organization, and the applicant's mission statement;

**151.4(3)** A description of the tobacco use prevention and control services currently provided by the applicant;

**151.4(4)** A description of the number of years the applicant has provided tobacco use prevention and control services and the number of clients served annually by the applicant;

**151.4(5)** A description of the funds currently received by the applicant which are targeted to provide tobacco use prevention and control services, including the source of funds, the dollar amount, and the period of funding;

**151.4(6)** A list of the other agencies, organizations, and entities currently providing tobacco use prevention and control services in the proposed community partnership area and a description of the

tobacco use prevention and control services currently provided by the other agencies, organizations, or entities;

**151.4(7)** A description of the collaborative efforts the applicant has undertaken with the agencies, organizations, and entities described in subrule 151.4(6) and an action plan describing anticipated collaborative efforts during the funding period;

**151.4(8)** Letters of support from the agencies, organizations, and entities described in subrule 151.4(6);

**151.4(9)** If the local board of health is not the applicant, a letter of support from the local board of health shall be submitted with the application. The letter of support must include a description of the local board of health's involvement with development of the application and an action plan describing anticipated collaborative efforts between the applicant and the local board of health;

**151.4(10)** A letter of support from county and city law enforcement agencies shall be submitted with the application. The letter of support must include a description of the local law enforcement agencies' involvement with development of the application and an action plan describing anticipated collaborative efforts between the applicant and local law enforcement agencies;

**151.4(11)** An assessment of the needs of the community partnership area which incorporates, but is not limited to, the following information for each county in the community partnership area:

*a.* Tobacco-related information from the community health needs assessment and health improvement plan (CHNA and HIP);

*b.* Tobacco-related information from the most recent Iowa youth survey;

*c.* Relevant data regarding tobacco use;

*d.* Relevant Synar data;

*e.* Information or data received from other service providers, organizations, or law enforcement agencies;

*f.* Tobacco-related information from Healthy Iowans 2010;

**151.4(12)** A description of how the applicant intends to implement the initiative's goals described in Iowa Code section 142A.6(2) in light of the community needs identified in subrule 151.4(11), including a proposed budget and a description of how performance measures shall be developed and utilized;

**151.4(13)** Identification of the source and amount of local matching funds, services, or support;

**151.4(14)** A description of how youth (aged 5 to 24 years) will be involved in the community partnership.

**641—151.5(142A) Performance indicators.** Periodic reports shall be submitted to the department by the community partnerships. These required reports shall be based on the degree to which the partnerships have achieved goals set out in the application and shall include information such as how many events/meetings were held and how many participants were in attendance.

**641—151.6(142A) Application deadline.** Applicants seeking to be approved as a community partnership for distribution of funds during the 2001 fiscal year may apply immediately and must apply no later than November 10, 2000.

**151.6(1)** Application must be on forms supplied by the department of public health. To obtain an application form, contact the director of the Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Division, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319; telephone (515)281-6225; E-mail [mcrawfor@idph.state.ia.us](mailto:mcrawfor@idph.state.ia.us).

**151.6(2)** Any change in the geographic boundaries of a community partnership area after a community partnership has been approved must be submitted to the tobacco use prevention and control division as a request to amend the application. The request shall describe the boundary change, explain the reason for the boundary change and describe any impact the boundary change will have on the information provided in response to rule 151.4(142A).

**641—151.7(142A) Distribution of funding.**

**151.7(1)** Applications submitted in accordance with these rules will be evaluated by the administrator of the division of tobacco use prevention and control, or the administrator's designee, to determine whether the application meets the requirements for funding as designated in these rules. The administrator or designee may request additional information from any applicant regarding the content of the application and may condition funding based on an applicant's submission of additional information or based on an applicant's willingness to change any term of the application, including geographic boundaries of the community partnership area.

**151.7(2)** The commission shall fund one community partnership per community partnership area. Funds shall be distributed equitably among the state's community partnership areas based on general population, school-age population, and designation of county or counties which comprise the community partnership area as a rural county or a metropolitan statistical area as defined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Available funds will be distributed under the following formulas:

Rural counties:

\$.84 per school-age youth plus an additional \$.84 per non-school-age county resident

Metropolitan statistical areas (Black Hawk, Dallas, Dubuque, Johnson, Linn, Polk, Pottawattamie, Scott, Warren, and Woodbury Counties):

\$.52 per school-age youth plus an additional \$.52 per non-school-age county resident

**151.7(3)** Funding received by a community partnership shall be matched on a one-to-one basis. At least 25 percent must be a cash match. Up to 75 percent of the match may include in-kind services, office support, or other tangible support or offset of costs.

Any offers to assist the applicant in reaching the match must be disclosed to the department in writing. In regard to any cash offers that are declined, the applicant must disclose reasons and rationale as to why these offers were declined.

Any funds left unallocated under subrules 151.7(2) and 151.7(3) on March 1, 2001, due to the failure of community partnerships to meet the cash match requirement pursuant to subrule 151.7(3) shall be distributed among all the community partnerships no later than June 30, 2001, in proportion to the amount of funding, including any cash match, each community partnership has reported to the department by March 15, 2001.

Funding distributed to community partnerships from the department shall be matched by the community partnership on a 75 percent basis. The match may include cash, or may include only in-kind services, office support, or other tangible support or offset of costs.

Any offers to assist the applicant in reaching the match must be disclosed to the department in writing. If any cash offers are declined, the applicant must disclose the reasons and the rationale for rejecting the offer.

**151.7(4)** Prior to receiving funding, a community partnership shall be required to execute a contract with the department.

**151.7(5)** Funding may be denied on grounds including, but not limited to:

- a. Applications from more than one entity have been received covering the same, or portions of the same, geographic area and another application more closely satisfies application criteria.
- b. The application is incomplete, untimely, or includes misleading or inaccurate information.
- c. Program funds are no longer available.
- d. Local matching funds, services, or support is not available.
- e. The applicant refuses to execute a contract with the department.
- f. The applicant fails to comply with the statute or administrative rules governing this program.

**641—151.8(142A) Gifts.** The commission shall solicit and accept gifts of money or services or property from governmental or private sources for use in support of the comprehensive tobacco use prevention and control initiative.

**151.8(1)** The commission shall not accept gifts of money or services or property from a manufacturer of tobacco products.

*a.* A gift means a rendering of anything of value in return for which legal consideration of equal or greater value is not given and received. A gift does not include funds deposited by any manufacturer of tobacco products into the tobacco settlement fund.

*b.* A manufacturer of tobacco products means every person who ships cigarettes or other tobacco products as defined in Iowa Code section 453A.1 into this state from outside the state.

**151.8(2)** The commission shall not accept a gift of money or services or property from a corporation or other private legal entity which is controlled by a manufacturer of tobacco products. A manufacturer of tobacco products controls a corporation or other private legal entity when the manufacturer possesses, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a corporation or other private legal entity, whether through the ownership of voting rights, by contract, or otherwise.

**151.8(3)** The commission may not accept a gift of money or services or property from a corporation or other private legal entity in which a manufacturer of tobacco products has a noncontrolling interest. A manufacturer of tobacco products has a noncontrolling interest in a corporation or other private legal entity when the manufacturer has a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or holds the power to vote, or holds proxies representing less than 10 percent of the voting rights of any other person.

**151.8(4)** The commission, in its discretion, may require any corporation or other private legal entity from which it solicits, or which offers to it, a gift of money or services or property for use in support of the comprehensive tobacco use prevention and control initiative to submit a statement describing the relationship, if any, between the corporation or other private legal entity and a manufacturer of tobacco products.

**151.8(5)** If the commission accepts a gift from a corporation or other private legal entity under the circumstances described in subrule 151.8(3), the commission may require the gift to be contingent on a waiver by the manufacturer of tobacco products of any right to advertise with regard to, claim responsibility for, or otherwise publicize the gift.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 142A.

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CHAPTER 152  
TOBACCO USE PREVENTION AND CONTROL FUNDING PROCESS

**641—152.1(78GA, HF2565) Scope and purpose.** In addition to funding community partnerships in accordance with 641—Chapter 151, it is the goal of the commission on tobacco use prevention and control to provide funding for other programs for the purpose of achieving the goals of the initiative as defined in 2000 Iowa Acts, House File 2565. Toward this end, the commission intends to provide funding on a competitive basis for school programs; a media, marketing, and communications program; and a cessation program for pregnant women.

**641—152.2(78GA, HF2565) Funding.**

**152.2(1)** In addition to other requests for proposals necessary to implement the initiative, the commission shall issue a request for proposal (RFP) for the youth program, the media, marketing and communications program, and the cessation program for pregnant women. The RFP for each program shall include the amount of funding available, the project period, the services to be delivered, performance measures, application due date and other relevant time frames, a description of the review process, the review criteria to be used, expected contract terms, and a reference to the appeal process in the event an application is denied.

**152.2(2)** Applications submitted in accordance with these rules shall be evaluated in accordance with the review process described in the RFP. The administrator of the division of tobacco use prevention and control shall make the final determination regarding funding and shall notify all applicants regarding funding decisions by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested.

**641—152.3(78GA, HF2565) Appeals.**

**152.3(1)** Any request for an appeal concerning denial or partial denial of an application for funding shall be submitted by an aggrieved party in writing to the department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within ten days of receipt of the notice of denial. The address is Department of Public Health, Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Division, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The request for appeal must state the party's complete legal name, street address, telephone number, fax number, and the specific grounds upon which the party challenges the board's denial, including legal authority, if any. The request for appeal commences a contested case.

**152.3(2)** Upon receipt of an appeal, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to the rules adopted by the department regarding transmission of contested cases.

**152.3(3)** The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules of the department of inspections and appeals found in 481—Chapter 4.

**152.3(4)** When the hearing officer makes a proposed decision and order, it shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. That proposed decision and order then becomes the department's final agency action without further proceeding ten days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the commission is taken as provided in subrule 152.3(5).

**152.3(5)** Any appeal to the commission for review of the proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge shall be filed in writing and mailed to the commission by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge. Any request for appeal shall state the reasons for appeal.

**152.3(6)** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare the record of the hearing for submission to the commission.

**152.3(7)** Review of a proposed decision shall be based on the record and limited to the issues raised in the hearing. The issues shall be specified in the notice of appeal of a proposed decision. The party requesting the review shall be responsible for transcribing any tape of the oral proceedings or arranging for a transcript of oral proceedings reported by a certified shorthand reporter.

**152.3(8)** Each party shall have the opportunity to file exceptions and present briefs. The administrator may set deadlines for the submission of exceptions or briefs. If oral argument will be held, the administrator shall notify all parties of the date, time and location at least ten days in advance.

**152.3(9)** The commission shall not receive any additional evidence, unless it grants an application to present additional evidence. Any such application must be filed by a party no less than five business days in advance of oral argument. Additional evidence shall be allowed only upon a showing that it is material to the outcome and that there were good reasons for failure to present it at hearing. If an application to present additional evidence is granted, the commission shall order the conditions under which it shall be presented.

**152.3(10)** The commission's final decision shall be in writing and it may incorporate all or part of the proposed decision.

**152.3(11)** The decision and order of the commission becomes the department's final agency action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A upon receipt by the aggrieved party and shall be delivered by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 17A and 2000 Iowa Acts, House File 2565.

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CHAPTERS 153 and 154  
Reserved



CHAPTER 155  
LICENSURE STANDARDS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS

[Prior to 7/27/88, see Substance Abuse, Iowa Department of[805] Ch 3]

[Prior to 3/29/06, see 643—Ch 3]

**641—155.1(125) Definitions.** Unless otherwise indicated, the following definitions shall apply to the specific terms used in these rules:

“*Accreditation body*” means a national or not-for-profit body or organization recognized by the board as meeting the criteria of the board for deemed status.

“*Acute intoxication or withdrawal potential*” is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement, continuing service and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current status of intoxication and potential for withdrawal complications as it impacts on level of care decision making. Historical information about client/patient’s withdrawal patterns may also be considered.

“*Administration*” means the direct application of a prescription drug, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, to the body of a client/patient or research subject by one of the following:

1. A practitioner or the practitioner’s authorized agent.
2. The client/patient or research subject at the direction of a practitioner.

“*Admission*” means the point in an individual’s relationship with the program at which the screening process has been completed and the individual is entitled to receive treatment services.

“*Admission criteria*” means specific ASAM-PPC-2R criteria to be considered in determining appropriate client/patient placement and resultant referral to a level of care. Criteria vary in intensity and are organized into six categories: acute intoxication or withdrawal potential, biomedical conditions or complications, emotional/behavioral conditions or complications, treatment resistance/acceptance, relapse potential, and recovery environment.

“*Affiliation agreement*” means a written agreement between the governing authority of the program and another organization under the terms of which specified services, space or personnel are provided to one organization by the other, but without exchange of moneys.

“*Applicant*” means any substance abuse treatment program which has applied for a license or renewal thereof.

“*Application*” means the process through which a substance abuse treatment program applies for a license or renewal as outlined in the application procedures.

“*ASAM-PPC-2R*” means the American Society of Addiction Medicine Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders, Second Edition, Revised.

“*Assessment*” means the ongoing process of identifying a diagnosis, ruling out other diagnoses, and determining the level of care needed by the client/patient.

“*Biomedical conditions and complications*” means one category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement, continuing service and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current physical condition as it impacts on level of care decision making. Historical information on client/patient’s medical/physical functioning may also be considered. This includes biological and physical aspects of the medical assessment and treatment of a patient. In addiction treatment, the physical problems may be the direct result of the substance use disorder, or be independent of and interactive with them, thus affecting the total treatment plan and prognosis.

“*Board*” means the state board of health created pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 136.

“*Case management*” means the process of using predefined criteria to evaluate the necessity and appropriateness of client/patient care.

“*Chemical dependency*” means alcohol or drug dependence or psychoactive substance use disorder as defined by the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM IV), criteria or by other standardized and widely accepted criteria.

“*Chemical dependency rehabilitation services*” means those individual or group services that are directly related to chemical dependency or the individual treatment plan. These services include

individual, group and family counseling, educational services, self-help groups and structured recreational activities. They do not include active employment or education courses beyond the secondary level.

*“Chemical substance”* means alcohol, wine, spirits and beer as defined in Iowa Code chapter 123 and controlled substances as defined in Iowa Code section 124.101.

*“Client/patient”* means an individual who has a substance abuse problem or is chemically dependent, has been assessed as appropriate for services, and for whom screening procedures have been completed.

*“Clinically managed high-intensity residential services (Level III.5)”* means high-intensity residential services designed to address significant problems with living skills. The prime example of Level III.5 care is the therapeutic community, which provides a highly structured recovery environment in combination with moderate- to high-intensity professional clinical services to support and promote recovery. Client/patients must participate in at least 50 hours of structured chemical dependency rehabilitation services per week.

*“Clinically managed low-intensity residential services (halfway house) (Level III.1)”* means low-intensity professional addiction treatment services offered at least five hours per week. Treatment is directed toward applying recovery skills, preventing relapse, promoting personal responsibility and reintegrating the resident into the worlds of work, education and family life. The services may include individual, group and family therapy. Mutual/self-help meetings are available on site.

*“Clinically managed medium-intensity residential services (Level III.3)”* are frequently referred to as extended or long-term care. Level III.3 programs provide a structured recovery environment in combination with medium-intensity professional clinical services to support and promote recovery. Client/patients must participate in at least 30 hours of structured chemical dependency rehabilitation services per week.

*“Clinically managed services”* means clinically managed services in which treatment is directed by addiction specialists rather than by medical professionals. They serve residents whose problems in the area of emotional/behavioral concerns, treatment acceptance, relapse potential, or recovery environment are the primary focus of treatment and problems in the areas of intoxication/withdrawal (Dimension 1) and biomedical concerns (Dimension 2), if any, are minimal.

*“Clinical oversight”* means oversight provided by an individual who, by virtue of education, training and experience, is capable of assessing the psychosocial history of a substance abuser to determine the treatment plan most appropriate for the client/patient. The person providing oversight shall be designated by the applicant.

*“Concerned family member or concerned person”* means an individual who is seeking treatment services due to problems arising from the person’s involvement or association with a substance abuser or chemically dependent individual or client/patient, and is negatively affected by the behavior of the substance abuser, chemically dependent individual, or client/patient.

*“Continuing care”* means Level I service of the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement criteria, which provides a specific period of structured therapeutic involvement designed to enhance, facilitate and promote transition from primary care to ongoing recovery. Continuing service reviews will not be required or applicable to Level I continuing care/aftercare client/patients. Also, there shall not be any required frequency of review for continuing service or frequency of review of treatment plan by client/patient and counselor.

*“Continuing service and discharge criteria”* means, in accordance with ASAM-PPC-2R, during the process of client/patient assessment, certain problems and priorities are identified as justifying admission to a particular level of care and the resolution of those problems and priorities determines when a client/patient can be treated at a different level of care or discharged from treatment. New problems may require services that can be provided effectively at the same level of care or may require a more intensive or less intensive level of care.

*“Continuum of care”* means a structure of interlinked treatment modalities and services designed so that an individual’s changing needs will be met as that individual moves through the treatment and recovery process.

“*Contract*” means a formal legal document adopted by the governing authority of the program and any other organization, agency, or individual that specifies services, personnel or space to be provided to the program as well as the moneys to be expended in the exchange.

“*Counselor*” means an individual who, by virtue of education, training or experience, provides treatment, which includes advice, opinion, or instruction to an individual or in a group setting to allow an opportunity for a person to explore the person’s problems related directly or indirectly to substance abuse or dependence.

“*Culturally and environmentally specific*” means integrating into the assessment and treatment process the ideas, customs, beliefs, and skills of a given population, as well as an acceptance, awareness, and celebration of diversity regarding conditions, circumstances and influences surrounding and affecting the development of an individual or group.

“*Deemed status*” means that the board and division will accept a board-approved, outside accreditation body’s review, assessment and accreditation of a program, component or service of a program/organization’s operations and services. Programs which received deemed status approval are exempt from routine licensure requirements; however, such programs are subject to all other provisions of this chapter.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Designee*” means the staff person or counselor who is delegated tasks, duties and responsibilities normally performed by the treatment supervisor, treatment director or executive director.

“*Detoxification*” means the process of withdrawing a person from a specific psychoactive substance in a safe and effective manner. ASAM-PPC-2R detoxification levels of care include Levels I-D, II-D, III.2-D, III.7-D, and IV-D.

“*Director*” means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

“*Discharge planning*” means the process, begun at admission, of determining a client/patient’s continued need for treatment services and of developing a plan to address ongoing client/patient posttreatment needs. Discharge planning may or may not include a document identified as a discharge plan.

“*Division*” means the division of behavioral health and professional licensure.

“*Emergency admission*” means an admission due to an emergency situation with placement screening criteria being applied as soon after admission as possible.

“*Emotional, behavioral or cognitive conditions and complications*” is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement and continuing service criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current emotional, behavioral, and cognitive status as it impacts on level of care decision making. Emotional, behavioral or cognitive status may include, but is not limited to, psychiatric conditions, psychological or emotional/behavioral complications, poor impulse control, changes in mental status, or transient neuropsychiatric complications and the behavior that accompanies or follows these emotional states. Historical information on client/patient emotional/behavioral functioning may also be considered.

“*Evaluation*” means the process to evaluate the client/patient’s strengths, weaknesses, problems, and needs for the purpose of defining a course of treatment. This includes use of the standardized placement screening and any additional client/patient profile information and development of a comprehensive treatment plan.

“*Extended outpatient treatment*” means Level I of the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement criteria, which is an organized, nonresidential service. Services usually are provided in regularly scheduled sessions which do not exceed nine treatment hours a week.

“*Facility*” means a hospital, detoxification center, institution or program licensed under Iowa Code section 125.13 providing care, maintenance and treatment for substance abusers. Facility also includes the physical areas such as grounds, buildings, or portions thereof under direct administrative control of the program.

“*Focused reviews*” means a survey conducted during the licensing process to assess the degree to which a program has improved its level of compliance relating to specific recommendations. The

subject matter of the review is typically in area(s) of identified deficiency in compliance; however, other performance areas may also be assessed by a surveyor(s), including areas not covered in deemed status.

*“Follow-up”* means the process for determining the status of an individual who has been referred to an outside resource for services or who has been discharged from services.

*“Governing body”* means the individual(s), group, or agency that has ultimate authority and responsibility for the overall operation of the facility.

*“Intake”* means gathering additional assessment information at the time of admission to services.

*“Intensive outpatient treatment (Level II.1)”* means intensive outpatient programs (IOP) that provide a minimum of nine hours or a minimum of six hours for adolescents of structured programming per week, consisting primarily of counseling and education focused on alcohol and other drug problems. IOP differs from partial hospitalization (Level II.5) in the intensity of clinical services that are directly available. Specifically, an IOP has less capacity to effectively treat individuals who have substantial medical and psychiatric problems.

*“Iowa board of substance abuse certification”* means the professional certification board that certifies substance abuse counselors and prevention specialists in the state of Iowa.

*“Levels of care”* is a general term that encompasses the different options for treatment that vary according to the intensity of the services offered. Each treatment option in the ASAM-PPC-2R is a level of care.

*“Licensee”* means any program licensed by the department.

*“Licensure”* means the issuance of a license by the department and the board which validates the licensee’s compliance with substance abuse program standards and authorizes the licensee to operate a substance abuse treatment program in the state of Iowa.

*“Licensure weighting report”* means the report that is used to determine the type of license a program qualifies for based on point values assigned to areas reviewed and total number of points attained. In addition, a minimum percent value in each of three categories shall be attained to qualify a program for a license as follows: 95 percent or better rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a three-year license; 90 percent or better rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a two-year license; or less than 90 percent but no less than 70 percent rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a one-year license. The determination of length of license for programs licensed through deemed status shall be made by the accreditation body.

*“Maintenance”* means the prolonged scheduled administration of methadone or other approved controlled substances intended as a substitute or antagonist to abused substances in accordance with federal and state regulations.

*“Management of care”* means the process to ensure the appropriate level of care is utilized by implementing ASAM-PPC-2R during the placement screening, continuing service and discharge process. This includes discharge planning that begins at admission to meet the immediate, ongoing and posttreatment needs of the client/patient.

*“May”* means a term used in the interpretation of a standard to reflect an acceptable method that is recognized but not necessarily preferred.

*“Medically managed intensive inpatient treatment (Level IV)”* is an organized ASAM-PPC-2R service staffed by designated addiction physicians or addiction credentialed clinicians. Level IV care involves a planned regimen of 24-hour medically directed evaluation, care and treatment of substance-related disorders in an acute-care inpatient setting. Such a service functions under a defined set of policies and procedures and has permanent facilities that include inpatient beds. Services involve daily medical care in which diagnostic and treatment services are directly provided by a licensed physician.

*“Medically monitored intensive inpatient treatment (Level III.7)”* is an organized ASAM-PPC-2R service delivered by an interdisciplinary staff to client/patients whose subacute biomedical and emotional/behavioral problems are sufficiently severe to require inpatient care. Twenty-four-hour observation, monitoring and treatment are available. However, the full resources of an acute care general hospital or a medically managed inpatient treatment service system are not necessary. Services are provided by an interdisciplinary staff of nurses, counselors, social workers, addiction specialists



and other health care professionals and technical personnel, under the direction of licensed physicians. Medical monitoring is provided through an appropriate mix of direct patient contact, review of records, team meetings, 24-hour coverage by a physician, and quality assurance programs.

*“Outreach”* means public speaking engagements and other similar activities and functions that inform the public of available programs and services offered by a substance abuse treatment program. In addition, outreach is a process or series of activities that identifies individuals in need of services, engages them and links the individual in need of services with the most appropriate resource or service provider. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, the following: individual client/patient recruitment through street outreach and organized informational sessions at churches, community centers, recreational facilities, and community service agencies.

*“Partial hospitalization (day treatment) (Level II.5)”* means a program which provides 20 or more hours of clinically intensive programming per week based on individual treatment plans. Programs have ready access to psychiatric, medical and laboratory services and thus are better able than Level II.1 programs to meet client/patient needs. Partial hospitalization/day treatment is a generic term encompassing day, night, evening and weekend treatment programs that employ an integrated, comprehensive and complementary schedule of recognized treatments.

*“Physician”* means any individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Prevention”* means a proactive process to eliminate unnecessary disease, disability, and premature death caused by (1) acute disease, (2) chronic disease, (3) intentional or unintentional injury or disease associated with environmental, home and workplace hazards, and (4) controllable risk factors such as poor nutrition; lack of exercise; alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; inadequate use of preventive health services; and other risk behaviors.

*“Primary care modality”* means a substance abuse treatment component or modality including continuing care, halfway house, extended outpatient treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, primary extended residential treatment, medically monitored intensive inpatient treatment, and medically managed intensive inpatient treatment services.

*“Prime programming time”* means any period of the day when special attention or supervision is necessary, for example, upon awakening in the morning until departure for school, during meals, after school, transition between activities, evenings and bedtime, or weekends and holidays, in order to maintain continuity of program and care. Prime programming time shall be defined by the facility.

*“Program”* means any partnership, corporation, association, governmental subdivision or public or private organization.

*“Protected classes”* means classes of people who have required special legislation to ensure equality.

*“Quality improvement”* means the process of objectively and systematically monitoring and evaluating the quality and appropriateness of client/patient care to improve client/patient care and resolve identified problems.

*“Readiness to change”* is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement criteria. This category evaluates the client/patient’s current emotional and cognitive awareness of the need to change and the client/patient’s level of commitment to change. It includes the client/patient’s awareness of the relationship of alcohol or other drug use to negative consequences.

*“Recovery/living environment”* is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current recovery/living environment as it impacts on level of care decision making. Recovery/living environment may include, but is not limited to, current relationships and degree of support for recovery, current housing, employment situation, and availability of alternatives. Historical information on client/patient’s recovery/living environment may also be considered.

*“Rehabilitation”* means the restoration of a client/patient to the fullest physical, mental, social, vocational, and economic usefulness of which the client/patient is capable. Rehabilitation may include, but is not limited to, medical treatment, psychological therapy, occupational training, job counseling, social and domestic rehabilitation and education.

“*Relapse*” means progressive irresponsible, inappropriate and dysfunctional behavior patterns that could lead to resumption of alcohol or drug use. “Relapse” also refers to the resumption of alcohol or drug use.

“*Relapse, continued-use or continued-problem potential*” is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2R client/patient placement and continuing service criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current factors that contribute to relapse potential as it impacts on level of care decision making. Relapse potential may include, but is not limited to, current statements by client/patient about relapse potential, reports from others on potential for client/patient relapse, and assessment by clinical staff. Historical information on client/patient’s relapse potential may also be considered. This may include the client/patient’s understanding of skills in coping with addictive or mental disorders, recognition of relapse triggers, skills to control impulses and ways to cope with cravings to use.

“*Residential program*” means a 24-hour live-in, seven-day-a-week substance abuse treatment program facility offering intensive rehabilitation services to individuals who are considered unable to live or work in the community due to social, emotional, or physical disabilities resulting from substance abuse. The ASAM-PPC-2R levels of care may include III.1, III.3, III.5 or III.7.

“*Rule*” means each statement of general applicability that implements, interprets, or prescribes division law or policy, or that describes the organization procedure or practice requirements of the division. The term includes the amendment or repeal of existing rules as specified in the Iowa Code.

“*Screening*” means the process by which a client/patient is determined appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular program or level of care. The focus is on the minimum criteria necessary for appropriateness/eligibility.

“*Self-administration of medication*” means the process where a properly trained staff member observes a client/patient inject, inhale, ingest, or by any other means take, medication which has been prescribed by a licensed physician.

“*Shall*” means the term used to indicate a mandatory statement, the only acceptable method under the present standards.

“*Should*” means the term used in the interpretation of a standard to reflect the commonly accepted method, yet allowing for the use of effective alternatives.

“*Sole practitioner*” means an individual incorporated under the laws of the state of Iowa, or an individual in private practice who is providing substance abuse treatment services independent from a program that is required to be licensed in accordance with Iowa Code section 125.13(1).

“*Staff*” means any individual who provides services to the program on a regular basis as a paid employee, agent, consultant, or as a volunteer.

“*Standards*” means specifications representing the minimal characteristics of a substance abuse treatment program which are acceptable for the issuance of a license.

“*Substance abuser*” means a person who habitually lacks self-control as to the use of chemical substances or uses chemical substances to the extent that the person’s health is substantially impaired or endangered or that the person’s social or economic function is substantially disrupted.

“*Time frames*” means the period of time within which the assessment and treatment plan must be completed after admission, frequency of review of the treatment plan by the client/patient and counselor, and frequency of reviews for continuing service and discharge. The time frames for Levels I and III.1 shall be every 30 days; for Levels II.1, II.5, III.3 and III.5, every 7 days; and for Levels III.7 and IV, daily. For Level I continuing care/aftercare, there shall not be any required frequency of review for continuing service or frequency of review of treatment plan by client/patient and counselor.

“*Treatment*” means the broad range of planned and continuing, inpatient, outpatient, residential care services, including diagnostic evaluation, counseling, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social service care, which may be extended to substance abusers, concerned persons, concerned family members, or significant others, and which is geared toward influencing the behavior of such individuals to achieve a state of rehabilitation.

“*Treatment days*” means days in which the treatment program is open for services or actual working days.

“*Treatment planning*” means the process by which a counselor and client/patient identify and rank problems, establish agreed-upon goals, and decide on the treatment process and resources to be utilized.

“*Treatment supervisor*” means an individual who, by virtue of education, training or experience, is capable of assessing the psychosocial history of a substance abuser to determine the treatment plan most appropriate for the client/patient. This person shall be designated by the applicant.

**641—155.2(125) Licensing.** A single license will be issued to each qualifying substance abuse treatment program. The license will delineate one or more categories of services the program is authorized to provide. Although a program may have more than one facility, only one license will be issued to the program.

The categories of services for which licenses will be issued are:

1. Narcotic detoxification/chemical substitute, antagonist maintenance chemotherapy;
2. Assessment and evaluation;
3. OWI correctional residential;
4. OWI correctional outpatient;
5. Correctional residential treatment;
6. Correctional outpatient treatment;
7. Medically managed intensive inpatient services: Level IV;
8. Residential/inpatient services: Levels III.1, III.3, III.5 and III.7;
9. Intensive outpatient/partial hospitalization services: Levels II.1 and II.5; and
10. Outpatient extended and continuing care services: Level I.

**641—155.3(125) Type of licenses.**

**155.3(1) Issuance of licenses.**

*a.* Licenses may be issued for up to three years. A license may be renewed for one, two, or three years. An initial license may be issued for 270 days. A license issued for 270 days shall not be renewed or extended.

*b.* Licenses shall expire one or two calendar years from the date of issue, and a renewal of the license shall be issued only on application.

*c.* The renewal of a one-year or two-year license shall be contingent upon demonstration of continued compliance with licensure standards and in accordance with the licensure weighting report criteria.

*d.* The renewal of a three-year license shall be contingent upon demonstration of substantial continued compliance with licensure standards and in accordance with the licensure weighting report criteria or continuation in deemed status.

*e.* Failure to apply for renewal of the license within 30 days after the expiration date shall result in immediate termination of license and require reapplication.

**155.3(2) Corrective action.** Following the issuance of a license, the treatment program may be requested by the board to provide a written plan of corrective action and to bring into compliance all areas found in noncompliance during the on-site visit. The corrective action plan shall be placed in the program’s permanent file with the division and used as reference during future on-site inspections.

**641—155.4(125) Nonassignability.** A license issued by the department for the operation of a substance abuse program applies both to the applicant program and the premises upon which the program is to be operated. Licenses are not transferable. A discontinued program is one which has terminated its services for which it has been licensed. When a program is discontinued, its current license is void immediately and shall be returned to the department. Any person or other legal entity acquiring a licensed facility for the purpose of operating a substance abuse program shall make an application as provided for a new license. Similarly, any person or legal entity having acquired a license and desiring to fundamentally alter the treatment philosophy or transfer to different premises must notify the board 30 days prior to said action in order for the department to review the site change and to determine appropriate action.

A licensee shall, if possible, notify the department of impending closure of the licensed program at least 30 days prior to such closure. The licensee shall be responsible for the removal and placement of patients or clients and for the preservation of all records. Upon closing all facilities and terminating all service delivery activities, the licensee shall immediately return the license to the department.

**641—155.5(125) Application procedures.** The department shall provide an application to all applicants for licensure. An on-site visit for licensure of an initial applicant shall occur before the program opens and admits client/patients for services. For initial applicants, if technical assistance has been provided, the on-site visit may be waived at the discretion of the department. The division shall prepare a report with a recommendation for licensure to be presented at a board meeting within 60 days from the site visit. Public notice for board meetings will be made in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.4. The division shall provide notice to the program ten days prior to the board meeting notifying the program director and board chairperson of the time, place, and date the board will review and act upon the application for the program along with the results of the inspection. The division shall provide to all board members reports of the on-site program licensure inspection and a final recommendation for each application to be acted upon at the next board meeting.

**155.5(1) Application information for comprehensive programs.** An applicant for licensure shall submit the following information on forms available at the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

- a. The name and address of the applicant substance abuse treatment program.
- b. The name and address of the executive director of such substance abuse treatment program.
- c. The names, titles, dates of employment, education, and years of current job-related experience of staff and a copy of the table of organization. Where multiple components and facilities exist, the relationship between components and facilities must be shown, as well as a description of the screening and training process for volunteer workers.
- d. The names and addresses of members of the governing body, sponsors, or advisory boards of such substance abuse treatment program and current articles of incorporation and bylaws.
- e. The names and addresses of all physicians, other professionally trained personnel, medical facilities, and other individuals or organizations with whom the substance abuse treatment program has a direct contractual or affiliation agreement.
- f. A description of the treatment services provided by the substance abuse treatment program and a description of weekly activities for each treatment modality or component.
- g. Copies of reports substantiating compliance with federal, state and local rules and laws for each facility, to include appropriate Iowa department of inspections and appeals rules, state fire marshal's rules and fire ordinances, appropriate local health, fire, occupancy code, and safety regulations.
- h. Information required under Iowa Code section 125.14A.
- i. Fiscal management information to include a recent audit or opinion of auditor and board minutes to reflect approval of budget and insurance program.
- j. Insurance coverage related to professional and general liability; building; workers' compensation; and fidelity bond.
- k. The address and facility code of each office, facility, or program location.
- l. The program's current written policies and procedures manual to include the staff development and training program, and personnel policies. Applications for licensure will not be considered complete until a complete policies and procedures manual has been submitted to the division.
- m. The application information for an initial application for licensure shall be complete and shall be reviewed by the department prior to a scheduled on-site inspection.

**155.5(2) Application information for assessment and evaluation programs.** An applicant for licensure shall submit the following information on forms available at the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

- a. The name and address of the applicant substance abuse assessment and evaluation program.

b. The name and address of the executive director or sole practitioner of such substance abuse program.

c. The names, titles, dates of employment, education, and years of current job-related experience of staff and a copy of the table of organization (if applicable). If multiple components and facilities exist, the relationship between components and facilities must be shown, as well as a description of services.

d. The names and addresses of members of the governing body, sponsors, or advisory boards of such substance abuse assessment and evaluation program and current articles of incorporation and bylaws. (This requirement does not apply to a sole practitioner.)

e. The name(s) and address(es) of person(s) entered into the affiliation agreement for clinical oversight.

f. A description of the assessment and evaluation services.

g. Copies of reports substantiating compliance with federal, state and local rules and laws for each facility, to include appropriate state fire marshal's rules and fire ordinances, occupancy code, and safety regulations.

h. Information required under Iowa Code section 125.14A.

i. Insurance coverage related to professional and general liability; building; workers' compensation; and fidelity bond.

j. The address and facility code of each office, facility, or program location.

k. The program's current written policies and procedures manual which shall include the staff development and training program, and personnel policies. Applications for licensure will not be considered complete until a complete policies and procedures manual has been submitted to the division.

The application information for an initial application for licensure shall be complete and shall be reviewed by the department prior to a scheduled on-site inspection.

**155.5(3) *Renewal.*** An application for renewal shall be submitted on forms provided by the department at least 60 calendar days before expiration of the current license.

Applications for licensure renewal will not be considered complete until a current policies and procedures manual has been submitted to the department by the applicant substance abuse treatment program.

**155.5(4) *Application update or revision.*** The department shall be notified, and a request of an application for licensure for update or revision shall be made, by an existing licensed program 30 days prior to any change(s) of address of offices, facilities, or program locations; or additions or deletions of the type(s) of services or programs provided and licensed. A new licensure application form shall be completed to reflect change of address of offices, facilities, or program locations, or additions or deletions of the type(s) of services or program(s) provided or licensed, and returned to the division within 10 working days from the date the forms are received. After receipt of an updated or revised application for licensure, the division shall conduct an on-site visit within 60 days to verify information contained in the application. When applicable, as determined by the department, an on-site licensure inspection of a new component, service, program or facility may be conducted by the department within six months, upon receipt of the updated or revised application or during an existing licensed program's scheduled relicensure on-site inspection, whichever occurs first.

**641—155.6(125) *Application review.*** An applicant for licensure shall submit a completed application to the department within 30 days from the date the forms are received. The department shall review the application for completion and request any additional material as needed.

Applicants failing to return the forms shall be notified by registered mail that all programs must be licensed.

**641—155.7(125) *Inspection of licensees.*** The department shall inspect the facilities and review the policies and procedures utilized by each program. The examination and review may include case record audits and interviews with staff and clients, consistent with the confidentiality safeguards of state and federal laws.

**155.7(1) *Technical assistance.*** All treatment programs applying for an initial license to operate a substance abuse treatment program in the state of Iowa will be visited by the department for the purpose of providing needed technical assistance regarding the licensure criteria and procedures. The program may waive technical assistance in order to expedite the licensing process. Requests shall be submitted in writing to the division.

*a.* Following the issuance of a license, the treatment program may request technical assistance from the department so as to bring into conformity areas reported to be in noncompliance to these rules. Such technical assistance shall be scheduled within 30 days of the applicant's request depending on the availability of staff. The department may also request that technical assistance be provided to the program if deficiencies are noted during a site visit.

*b.* Reserved.

**155.7(2) *On-site visit for licensure.*** A licensure on-site inspection shall be scheduled after the department's receipt of the program's application to operate a substance abuse treatment program. The department shall not be required to provide advance notice to the program of the on-site visit for licensure.

*a.* The on-site visit team will consist of designated members of the division staff, as approved by the director.

*b.* The team will inspect the program in order to verify information contained in the application and ensure compliance with all laws, rules and regulations.

*c.* The inspection team shall send a written report, return receipt requested, of their findings to the applicant within 20 working days after the completion of the inspection.

**155.7(3) *Effective date of license.*** The effective date of a license shall begin on the date the board reviews the program's written report/application and acts to issue a license.

**641—155.8(125) Licenses—renewal.** Upon approval of an application for licensing by the board, a license shall be issued by the department. Licenses shall be renewed pursuant to rule 641—155.5(125).

**155.8(1) *Board hearing preparation.*** The division shall prepare a report with a final recommendation for licensing to be presented at a board meeting within 60 days from the site visit. Public notice of board meetings shall be made in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.4.

*a.* The division shall send notice to the program by certified mail, return receipt requested, ten days prior to the board meeting notifying the program director and board chairperson of the time, place, and date the board will review and act upon the application for the program along with the results of the inspection.

*b.* The division shall mail to all board members the following information on each application to be processed at the next board meeting:

- (1) Reports of the on-site program licensure inspections; and
- (2) A final recommendation for licensing.

**155.8(2) *Board meeting format.***

*a.* The chairperson or designee shall call the meeting to order at the designated time.

*b.* The presiding officer will read each application and protocols.

*c.* Opportunity shall be given all concerned parties to respond, present evidence, and arguments on each application.

*d.* After all concerned parties are heard, the board will make a decision as to whether the applicant should be finally approved or initially denied a license to operate a substance abuse treatment program.

**641—155.9(125) Corrective action plan.** Programs approved for a license for 270 days by the board shall submit a corrective action plan to the director no later than 30 days following the board meeting. The corrective action plan shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Specific problem areas.
2. A delineation of corrective measures to be taken by the program.
3. A delineation of target dates for completion of corrective measures for each problem area.

4. A follow-up on-site visit will be required to review the implemented corrective action with a subsequent report to the board.

Programs issued a license for a period of one or two years shall submit a corrective action plan for those standards found to be in noncompliance following a licensure inspection. Technical assistance on a corrective action plan shall not be required for one- or two-year licenses. The corrective action plan shall be submitted within 30 days of receipt of the licensure inspection report.

**641—155.10(125) Grounds for denial of initial license.**

**155.10(1) *Denial of application for licensure.*** All programs applying for an initial license shall submit complete application information and shall be inspected by the department prior to the program's opening and offering services. A recommendation by the department of a denial of an initial application for licensure to the board may be made based on the following reasons:

a. The application for licensure is incomplete or does not have the information required by 641—155.5(125).

b. On-site inspection report results based on the licensure weighting report indicate a score below minimum required for a recommendation of a 270-day license.

c. Violation of any of the grounds for discipline pursuant to 641—155.11(125).

**155.10(2) *On-site visit for licensure.*** The on-site visit for licensure of an initial applicant shall occur prior to the program opening and admitting client/patients. The department shall not be required to provide advance notice to the program of the on-site visit for licensure.

a. The on-site visit team will consist of designated members of the division staff, as approved by the director.

b. The team will inspect the program that has applied for a license in order to verify information contained in the application, ensure compliance with all laws, rules and regulations.

c. The inspection team shall send a written report, return receipt requested, of their findings to the applicant within 20 working days after the completion of the inspection.

d. The application information for an initial application for licensure shall be complete and shall be reviewed by the department prior to a scheduled on-site inspection.

**155.10(3) *Board action.*** The board shall meet to consider all cases involving issuance of a license. Upon approval of an application for licensure by the board, a license shall be issued by the department.

a. *Board hearing preparation.* The division will prepare all documents with a final recommendation for licensing determination to be presented at a board meeting within 120 days from the site visit. The division shall provide public notice of the date, time, and place of the meeting and the names of applicants to be reviewed and processed.

(1) The division shall provide notice to the program 30 days prior to the board meeting notifying the program director and board chairperson of the time, place, and date the board will review and act upon the application for the program along with the results of the inspection.

(2) The division shall provide to all board members the following information on each application to be processed at the next board meeting: reports of the on-site program licensure inspections, and a final recommendation for licensing.

b. *Board meeting format.*

(1) The chairperson or designee shall call the meeting to order at the designated time.

(2) The presiding officer or designee shall give summary of each application and protocols.

(3) Opportunity shall be given all concerned parties to respond and present evidence and arguments on each application.

(4) After all concerned parties are heard, the board will make a decision as to whether the applicant should be finally approved or initially denied a license to operate a substance abuse treatment program.

**641—155.11(125) Suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew a license.**

**155.11(1)** The board may suspend or revoke a license or refuse to renew a license for any of the following reasons:

- a. Failure to adequately complete the application or renewal application process or submission of fraudulent or misleading information in the application or renewal process.
- b. Failure to obtain the minimum score required for a one-, two- or three-year license.
- c. Violation by a program, program employee or agent of any statute or rule pertaining to substance abuse treatment programs, including a violation of any provision of this chapter.
- d. Failure to comply with licensure, inspection, health, fire, occupancy, safety, sanitation, zoning, or building code or regulations required by federal, state, or local law.
- e. Receiving a report from an accreditation body sanctioning, modifying, terminating, or withdrawing the accreditation of the program.
- f. Suspension, revocation, refused renewal, or refused issuance of a federal registration to distribute or dispense methadone or other controlled substances.
- g. Committing or permitting or aiding or abetting the commission of an unlawful act within a facility.
- h. Conviction of a member of the governing body, a director, administrator, chief executive officer, or other managing staff member, of a felony or misdemeanor involving the management or operation of the facility or which is directly related to the operation or integrity of the facility.
- i. Use of untruthful or improbable statements in advertising.
- j. Conduct or practices found by the board to be detrimental to the general health, safety, or welfare of a client/patient or member of the general community.
- k. Violating a client/patient's confidentiality or willful, substantial, or repeated violations of a client/patient's rights.
- l. Defrauding a client/patient, potential client/patient, or third-party payor.
- m. Inappropriate conduct by a program employee, including sexual contact with a client/patient of the program.
- n. Utilization of treatment techniques which endanger the health, safety, or welfare of a client/patient.
- o. Discrimination or retaliation against a client/patient or employee who has submitted a complaint or information to the department.
- p. Failure to allow an employee or agent of the department access to the facility for the purpose of inspection, investigation, or other information collection duties necessary to the performance of the department's duties.
- q. Failure to submit an acceptable written plan of corrective action or failure to comply with a written plan of corrective action issued pursuant to 155.3(2), 641—155.9(125), or 155.16(4) "e."
- r. Violating an order of the board or violating the terms or conditions of a consent agreement or informal settlement between a program and the board.

**155.11(2)** Initial notice from board. When the board determines to deny a renewal, suspend or revoke a license, the board shall notify the licensee by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the board's intent to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the license and the changes that must be made in the licensee's operation to avoid such action. The initial notice shall further provide the licensee the opportunity to submit either a written plan of corrections or written objections to the department within 20 days from the receipt of notice from the board.

**155.11(3)** Correction of issues or objections.

a. *Written plan of corrections.* If a licensee submits a written plan of corrections, the licensee shall have 60 days from the date of submission within which to show compliance with the plan of corrections. The licensee shall submit any information to the board that the licensee deems pertinent to show compliance with the plan of corrections.

b. *Objections.* If a licensee submits written objections, the licensee shall submit to the board any information that the licensee deems pertinent which supports the licensee's defense.

**155.11(4)** Decision of board. Following receipt of a written plan of corrections and expiration of the 60-day time period, or following receipt of written objections, or when objections or notice of corrections have not been received within the 20-day time period, the board may meet to determine whether to



proceed with the disciplinary action. The licensee shall receive notice of this meeting in the same manner as provided by 155.8(1)“a.”

**155.11(5)** Notice of decision and opportunity for contested case hearing.

a. When the board determines to suspend, revoke or not renew a license, the licensee shall be given written notice by restricted certified mail.

b. The licensee may request a hearing on the determination. The request must be in writing, mailed to the department address within 30 days of the notice issued by the board. Failure to request a hearing will result in final action by the board.

**155.11(6)** Summary suspension. If the board finds that the health, safety or welfare of the public is endangered by continued operation of a substance abuse treatment program, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other actions. These proceedings shall be promptly instituted and determined.

**641—155.12(125) Contested case hearing.** Programs that wish to contest the denial, suspension, revocation or refusal to renew their license shall be afforded an opportunity for a hearing before an administrative law judge from the Department of Inspections and Appeals. The program will be notified in writing, return receipt requested, of the date of the hearing, no less than 30 days before the hearing.

**155.12(1)** *Failure to appear.* If a party fails to appear in a contested case hearing proceeding after proper service of notice, the administrative law judge shall, in such a case, enter a default judgment against the party failing to appear.

**155.12(2)** *Conduct of hearing.* Opportunity shall be afforded all parties to respond and present evidence and argument on all issues involved and to be represented by counsel at their own expense.

a. The hearing shall be informal and all relevant evidence admissible. Effect will be given to the rules of privilege recognized by law. Objections to evidentiary offers may be made and shall be noted in the record. When the hearing will be expedited and the interests of the parties will not be prejudiced substantially, any part of the evidence may be required to be submitted in verified written form.

b. Documentary evidence may be received in the form of copies or excerpts if the original is not readily available. Upon request, parties shall be given an opportunity to compare the copy with the original, if available.

c. Witnesses present at the hearing shall be subject to cross-examination by any party as necessary for a full and true disclosure of the facts.

d. The record in a contested case shall include:

- (1) All pleadings, motions and intermediate rulings.
- (2) All evidence received or considered and all other submissions.
- (3) A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- (4) All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings therein.
- (5) All proposed findings and exceptions.
- (6) Any decision, opinion or report by the officer presiding at the hearing.

e. Oral proceedings shall be open to the public and shall be recorded either by mechanized means or by certified shorthand reporters. Oral proceedings or any part thereof shall be transcribed at the request of any party with the expense of the transcription charged to the requesting party. The recording or stenographic notes of oral proceedings or the transcription thereof shall be filed with and maintained by the agency for at least five years from the date of decision.

f. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence in the record and on matters officially noticed in the record.

**155.12(3)** *Continuance.* For good cause, the administrative law judge may continue hearings beyond the time originally scheduled or recessed. Requests for continuance shall be made to the administrative law judge in writing at least three days prior to the scheduled hearing date. Continuances will not be granted less than three days before the hearing except for exigent circumstances.

**155.12(4)** *Decision.* Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence in the record and upon matters officially noticed in the record.

*a.* The decision of the administrative law judge shall be the final decision unless there is an appeal to the board within 20 days of the receipt of the decision.

*b.* A proposed or final decision or order in a contested case hearing shall be in writing. A proposed or final decision shall include findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated. Parties will be promptly notified of each proposed or final decision or order by the delivery to them of a copy of such decision or order by certified mail, return receipt requested. In the case of a proposed decision, parties shall be notified of the right to appeal the decision to the board.

**155.12(5) Appeal to the board.**

*a.* Either party may request the board review the proposed decision. The request shall be in writing and mailed within 20 days of receipt of the proposed decision.

*b.* The parties shall have an opportunity to submit briefs to the board. The board will review the record and any briefs. No new evidence shall be admitted unless requested and allowed by the board.

*c.* Oral presentation will be made to the board at a time set by the board.

*d.* The board shall issue its decision in writing within 30 days after conclusion of the hearing.

**641—155.13(125) Rehearing application.** Any party may file an application for rehearing, stating the specific grounds therefor and the relief sought, within 20 days after the issuance of any final decision by the board in a contested case. A copy of such application shall be timely mailed by the applicant to all parties of record not joining therein. Such an application for rehearing shall be deemed to have been denied unless the board grants the application within 20 days after its filing.

**641—155.14(125) Judicial review.** A licensee who is aggrieved or adversely affected by the board's final decision and who has exhausted all adequate administrative remedies may seek judicial review of the board's decision pursuant to and in accordance with Iowa Code section 17A.19.

**641—155.15(125) Reissuance or reinstatement.** After suspension, revocation or refusal to renew a license, the affected licensee shall not have the license reissued or reinstated within one year of the effective date of the suspension, revocation or expiration upon refusal to renew, unless by order of the board. After that time, proof of compliance with the licensure standards must be presented to the board prior to reinstatement or reissuance of a license.

**641—155.16(125) Complaints and investigations.**

**155.16(1) Complaints.** Any person may file a complaint with the department against any program licensed pursuant to this chapter. The complaint shall be made in writing and shall be mailed or delivered to the division director at the Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The complaint shall include the name and address of the complainant, the name of the program, and a concise statement of the allegations against the program, including the specific alleged violations of Iowa Code chapter 125 or this chapter, if known. A complaint may also be initiated upon the board's own motion pursuant to evidence received by the department. Timely filing of complaints is required in order to ensure the availability of witnesses and to avoid initiation of an investigation under conditions which may have been significantly altered during the period of delay.

**155.16(2) Evaluation and investigation.** Upon receipt of a complaint, the department shall make a preliminary review of the allegations contained in the complaint. Unless the department concludes that the complaint is intended solely to harass a program or lacks a reasonable basis, it shall conduct an on-site investigation of the program which is the subject of the complaint as soon as is practicable. The program which is the subject of the complaint shall be given an opportunity to informally respond to the allegations contained in the complaint either in writing or through a personal interview or conference.

**155.16(3) Investigative report.** Within 30 working days after completion of the investigation, the department shall prepare a written investigative report and shall submit the report to the executive director of the program, the chairperson of the governing body, and the board. This report shall include the nature of the complaint and shall indicate if the complaint allegations were substantiated, unsubstantiated, or

undetermined, the basis for the finding, the specific statutes or rules at issue, a response from the program, if received, and a recommendation for action.

**155.16(4) Review of investigations.** The board shall review the investigative report at its next regularly scheduled meeting and shall determine appropriate action.

*a. Closure.* If the board determines that the allegations contained in the complaint are unsubstantiated, the board shall close the case and shall promptly notify the complainant and the program by letter.

*b. Referral for further investigation.* If the board determines that the case warrants further investigation, it shall refer the case to the department for further investigation.

*c. Written plan of corrective action.* If the board determines that the allegations contained in the complaint are substantiated and corrective action is warranted, the board may require the program to submit and comply with a written plan of corrective action. A program shall submit a written plan of corrective action to the department within 20 working days after receiving a request for such plan. The written plan of corrective action shall include a plan for correcting violations as required by the board and a time frame within which such plan shall be implemented. The plan is subject to department approval. Requiring a written plan of corrective action is not formal disciplinary action. Failure to submit or comply with a written plan of corrective action may result in formal disciplinary action against the program.

*d. Disciplinary action.* If the board determines that the allegations contained in the complaint are substantiated and disciplinary action is warranted, the board may proceed with such action in accordance with rule 641—155.11(125).

**155.16(5) Confidential information and public information.** Information contained in a complaint may be confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7(2), 22.7(18), or 125.37 or any other provision of state or federal law. Investigative reports, written plans of corrective action, and all notices and orders issued pursuant to rule 641—155.11(125) shall refer to clients and patients by number and shall not include any other client or patient identifying information. Investigative reports, written plans of corrective action, and all notices and orders issued pursuant to rule 641—155.11(125) shall be available to the public as open records pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 22.

**641—155.17** Reserved.

**641—155.18(125) Deemed status.** The board shall grant deemed status to programs accredited either by a recognized national or not-for-profit accreditation body when the board determines that the accreditation is for the same services.

**155.18(1) National accreditation bodies.** The national accreditation bodies currently recognized as meeting board criteria for possible deemed status are:

- a.* Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO).
- b.* Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).
- c.* Council on Accreditation of Children and Family Services (COA).
- d.* American Osteopathic Association (AOA).

**155.18(2) Credentials and expectations of accreditation bodies.**

*a.* The accreditation credentials of the bodies shall specify the types of organizations, programs and services the bodies accredit and targeted population groups, if appropriate.

*b.* Deemed status means that the board and division shall recognize, in lieu of their own review, an outside body's review, assessment, and accreditation of a hospital-based or freestanding community-based substance abuse program's operations, functioning, and services that correspond to those described in this chapter.

**155.18(3) Responsibilities of programs granted deemed status.**

*a.* When a program receives accreditation and is then granted licensure through deemed status, the program shall continue to be responsible for meeting all requirements in accordance with this chapter and all applicable laws and regulations.

b. If a program that is nationally accredited requests deemed status for services not covered by the national accreditation body's standards, but covered by this chapter, the licensing for those services shall be conducted by the division.

c. Copies of the entire CARF, JCAHO, COA, or AOA behavioral health accreditation survey/inspection report and certificate of accreditation shall be submitted to the division with the application for deemed status provided by the division.

d. A program shall submit to the division accreditation corrective plans or written conditions to accreditation.

e. A program shall be currently accredited by a board-approved national accreditation body for services that are outlined in this chapter.

f. A program shall advise the division of any changes in the program's accreditation status, address, executive director/CEO, facility locations, or any other changes to the program/organization within 30 days of such change.

g. All survey reports for the hospital-based or freestanding community-based substance abuse treatment program from the accrediting or licensing body shall be sent to the division.

h. For a program granted deemed status, the period of deemed status shall coincide with the period of time that program is awarded accreditation by the national accreditation body. However, under no circumstances shall it be longer than three years.

**155.18(4)** The board and division shall retain the following responsibilities and rights when deemed status is granted to program/organizations:

a. The division may conduct site follow-up visits as determined appropriate.

b. The division shall investigate all complaints that are under the authority of this chapter and recommend and require corrective action or other sanctions in accordance with 641—155.16(125). All complaints, findings, and required corrective action may be reported to the accreditation body.

c. The board shall review and act upon deemed status if necessary when complaints have been founded, when national accreditation bodies find instances of noncompliance with accreditation, when the accreditation status of the program expires without renewal, when the program's accreditation status is downgraded or withdrawn by the accreditation body, or when focused reviews find instances of noncompliance.

**155.18(5)** *Continuation of deemed status.* The program shall submit a copy of all CARF, JCAHO, COA, or AOA behavioral health accreditation survey reports to the division.

**641—155.19(125) Funding.** The issuance of the license to any program shall not be construed as a commitment on the part of either the state or federal government to provide funds to such licensed program.

**641—155.20(125) Inspection.** Each applicant or licensee agrees as a condition of licensure:

**155.20(1)** To permit properly designated representatives of the department to enter into and inspect any and all premises of programs for which a license has been either applied or issued to verify information contained in the application or to ensure compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations relating thereto, during all hours of operation of said facility and at any other reasonable hour.

**155.20(2)** To permit properly designated representatives of the department to audit and collect statistical data from all records maintained by the licensee. A facility shall not be licensed which does not permit inspection by the department or examination of all records, including financial records, methods of administration, general and special dietary programs, the disbursement of drugs and methods of supply, and any other records the board deems relevant to the establishment of such a system.

**641—155.21(125) General standards for all substance abuse treatment programs.** The following standards shall apply to all substance abuse treatment programs in the state of Iowa regardless of the category of treatment services provided by such programs. In situations where differences between general standards for all treatment programs and specific standards occur, both general and specific standards must be met.

**155.21(1) Governing body.** Each program shall have a formally designated governing body that is representative of the community being served, complies with the Iowa Code, and is the ultimate authority for the overall program operations. Persons in private practice as sole practitioners shall be exempt from this subrule.

*a.* The governing body shall develop and adopt written bylaws and policies that define the powers and duties of the governing body, its committees, advisory groups, and the executive director. These bylaws shall be reviewed and revised by the governing body as necessary.

*b.* The bylaws shall minimally specify the following:

- (1) The type of membership;
- (2) The term of appointment;
- (3) The frequency of meetings;
- (4) The attendance requirements; and
- (5) The quorum necessary to transact business.

*c.* Minutes of all meetings shall be kept and be available for review by the department and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- (1) Date of the meeting;
- (2) Names of members attending;
- (3) Topics discussed; and
- (4) Decisions reached and actions taken.

*d.* The duties of the governing body shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- (1) Appointment of a qualified executive director who shall have the responsibility and authority for the management of the program in accordance with the governing body's established policies;
- (2) Establish an effective control which will ensure that quality services are delivered;
- (3) Review and approve the program's annual budget; and
- (4) Approve all contracts.

*e.* The governing body shall develop and approve policies for the effective operation of the program.

*f.* The governing body shall be responsible for all funds, equipment, supplies and the facility in which the program operates. The governing body shall be responsible for the appropriateness and adequacy of services provided by the program.

*g.* The governing body shall at least annually prepare a report which will include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following items:

- (1) The name, address, occupation, and place of employment of each governing body member;
- (2) Any family relationships which a member of the governing body may have to a program staff member; and
- (3) Where applicable, the name and address of all owners or controlling parties whether they are individuals, partnerships, corporation body, or subdivision of other bodies, such as a public agency, or religious group, fraternity, or other philanthropic organization.

*h.* The governing body shall assume responsibility in seeing that the program has malpractice and liability insurance and a fidelity bond.

**155.21(2) Executive director.** This individual shall have primary responsibility for the overall program operations. The duties of the executive director shall be clearly defined by the governing authority, when applicable, in accordance with the policies established by the governing body.

**155.21(3) Clinical oversight.** The program shall have appropriate clinical oversight to ensure quality of clinical services provided to client/patients. This may be provided in-house or through consultation.

Clinical oversight may include assisting the program in developing policies and procedures relating to the assessment and treatment of psychopathology, assisting in the training of the staff and providing assistance to the clinical staff in assessment or treatment. The executive director or designee shall be ultimately responsible for clinical services and implementation of treatment services to client/patients.

**155.21(4) Staff development and training.** There shall be written policies and procedures that establish staff development. Staff development shall include orientation for staff and opportunities for continuing job-related education. For corporations organized under Iowa Code chapter 496C and

sole practitioners, documentation of continuing education to maintain professional license or substance abuse certification will meet the requirements of this subrule.

*a.* Evidence of professional education, substance abuse certification, licensing, or orientation which includes the following: psychosocial, medical, pharmacological, confidentiality, and tuberculosis and blood-borne pathogens; an orientation to the program and community resources; counseling skill development; HIV/AIDS (Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) information/education; and the attitudes, values and lifestyles of racially diverse cultures, other cultures and special populations.

*b.* The program shall establish on-site training programs or enter into relationships with outside resources capable of meeting staff training needs.

*c.* The staff development program shall take steps to ensure that staff members are kept informed of new developments in the field of substance abuse assessment, evaluation, placement, treatment and rehabilitation.

*d.* In-service training programs shall be instituted when program operations or functions are changed and shall be designed to allow staff members to develop new skills so that they may effectively adapt to such changes.

*e.* Staff development activities and participation in state, national and regional training shall be planned and scheduled. These activities shall be documented in order to evaluate their scope, effectiveness, attendance, and amount of time spent on such efforts. The written plan for on-site staff development and activities for professional growth and development of personnel shall be based on the annual needs assessment and shall be available to all personnel.

*f.* Minutes shall be kept of on-site training activities and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- (1) Date of the meeting;
- (2) Names of persons attending; and
- (3) Topics discussed, to include name and title of presenters.

*g.* The individual responsible for supervising staff development activities shall conduct at least an annual needs assessment.

**155.21(5) *Management information system.*** Programs receiving Medicaid or state funding and programs performing OWI evaluations in accordance with 641—Chapter 157 shall submit client/patient data to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, in accordance with substance abuse reporting system procedures.

**155.21(6) *Procedures manual.*** All programs shall develop and maintain a procedures manual. This manual shall define the program's policies and procedures to reflect the program's activities. Revisions shall be entered with the date, name and title of the individual making the entries. This manual shall contain all of the required written policies, procedures, definitions, and all other documentation outlined throughout these standards.

**155.21(7) *Fiscal management.*** The program shall ensure proper fiscal management which shall include the following:

*a.* The preparation and maintenance of an annual written budget which shall be reviewed and approved by the governing body prior to the beginning of the budget year.

*b.* The fiscal management system shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including internal controls to reasonably protect agency assets. This shall be verified by an independent fiscal audit of the program by the state auditor's office or certified public accountant based on an agreement entered into by the governing body. An annual fiscal audit shall not be required for programs with an annual budget of \$75,000 or less.

*c.* There shall be an insurance program that provides for the protection of the physical and financial resources of the program which provides coverage for all people, buildings, and equipment. The insurance program shall be reviewed annually by the governing body.

*d.* Assessment and evaluation programs shall make public the OWI evaluation fees, and the client/patient shall be informed of the fee at the time of scheduling the appointment for the evaluation.

**155.21(8) Personnel.** Written personnel policies and procedures shall be developed by all programs except for sole practitioners. The sole practitioner shall subscribe to a code of conduct such as found in professional certification or licensure.

*a.* All programs shall have written policies and procedures that address the following areas:

- (1) Recruitment, selection, and certification of staff members;
- (2) Recruitment and selection of volunteers;
- (3) Wage and salary administration;
- (4) Promotions;
- (5) Employee benefits;
- (6) Working hours;
- (7) Vacation and sick leave;
- (8) Lines of authority;
- (9) Rules of conduct;
- (10) Disciplinary actions and termination of employees;
- (11) Methods for handling cases of inappropriate care;
- (12) Work performance appraisal;
- (13) Employee accidents and safety;
- (14) Employee grievances; and
- (15) Policy on staff persons suspected of using or abusing substances.

*b.* The written personnel policies and practices shall include an equal employment opportunity policy and an affirmative action plan for hiring members of protected classes.

*c.* There shall be written job descriptions that reflect the actual duties of the employee.

*d.* Job descriptions shall accurately reflect the actual job situation and shall be reviewed when necessary by the executive director or whenever there is a change in required qualifications or duties.

*e.* All positions shall have job descriptions included in the personnel section of the procedures manual or personnel record of the staff member.

*f.* The written personnel policies and practices shall include a mechanism for written evaluation of personnel performance on at least an annual basis. There shall be evidence that this evaluation is reviewed with the employee and that the employee is given the opportunity to respond to this evaluation.

*g.* There shall be a personnel record kept on each staff member. These records shall contain as applicable:

- (1) Verification of training, experience, and all professional credentials relevant to the position;
- (2) Job performance evaluations;
- (3) Incident reports;
- (4) Disciplinary actions taken; and
- (5) Documentation of review and adherence to confidentiality laws and regulations. This review and agreement shall occur prior to assumption of duties.

*h.* There shall be written policies and procedures designed to ensure confidentiality of personnel records and a delineation of authorized personnel who have access to various types of personnel information.

*i.* Personnel providing screening, evaluations, assessments or treatment shall be certified through the Iowa board of substance abuse certification, or certified by an international certification and reciprocity consortium member board in the states of Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri, South Dakota, and Wisconsin; or be eligible for certification or have education, training, and experience in the substance abuse field.

*j.* There shall be written policies related to the prohibition of sexual harassment.

*k.* There shall be written policies related to the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**155.21(9) Child abuse/criminal records check.**

*a.* Written policies and procedures shall prohibit mistreatment, neglect, or abuse of children and specify reporting and enforcement procedures for the program. Alleged violations shall be reported immediately to the director of the facility and appropriate department of human services personnel.

Written policies and procedures on reporting alleged violations shall be in compliance with DHHS, 42 CFR, Part 2, Regulations on Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Client Records. Any employee found to be in violation of Iowa Code chapter 232, division III, part 2, as substantiated by the department of human services' investigation shall be subject to the agency's policies concerning dismissal.

*b.* For each employee working within a juvenile services area, the personnel record shall contain:

(1) Documentation of a criminal records check with the division of criminal investigation on all new applicants for employment asking whether the applicant has been convicted of a crime.

(2) A written, signed and dated statement furnished by a new applicant for employment which discloses any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect or sexual abuse that may exist.

(3) Documentation of a check after hiring on probationary or temporary status, but prior to permanently employing the individual, with the Iowa central child abuse registry for any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect or sexual abuse.

A person who has a record of a criminal conviction or founded child abuse report shall not be employed, unless an evaluation of the crime or founded child abuse has been made by the department of human services which concludes that the crime or founded child abuse does not merit prohibition of employment. If a record of criminal conviction or founded child abuse does exist, the person shall be offered the opportunity to complete and submit Form 470-2310, Record Check Evaluation. In its evaluation, the department of human services shall consider the nature and seriousness of the crime or founded abuse in relation to the position sought, the time elapsed since the commission of the crime or founded abuse, the circumstances under which the crime or founded abuse was committed, the degree of rehabilitation and the number of crimes or founded abuses committed by the person involved.

*c.* Each treatment staff member shall complete two hours of training relating to the identification and reporting of child abuse and dependent adult abuse within six months of initial employment and at least two hours of additional training every five years thereafter.

**155.21(10)** *Client/patient case record maintenance.* There shall be written policies and procedures governing the compilation, storage and dissemination of individual client/patient case records.

*a.* These policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) The program exercises its responsibility for safeguarding and protecting the client/patient case record against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure of information;

(2) Content and format of client/patient records are kept uniform; and

(3) Entries in the client/patient case record are signed and dated.

*b.* The program shall provide adequate physical facilities for the storage, processing, and handling of client/patient case records. These facilities shall include suitably locked, secured rooms or file cabinets.

*c.* Appropriate records shall be readily accessible to those staff members providing services directly to the client/patient and other individuals specifically authorized by program policy. Records should be kept in proximity to the area in which the client/patient normally receives services.

*d.* The program shall have a written policy governing the disposal and maintenance of client/patient case records. Client/patient case records shall be maintained for not less than seven years from the date they are officially closed.

*e.* Each file cabinet or storage area containing client/patient case records shall be locked.

*f.* The governing body shall establish policies that specify the conditions under which information on applicants or client/patients may be released and the procedures to be followed for releasing such information. Even if a program is not federally funded, all such policies and procedures shall be in accordance with the federal confidentiality regulations, "Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records," 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 applicable to alcohol abuse client/patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 applicable to drug abuse client/patient records, and state confidentiality laws and regulations.

*g.* Confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client/patient records. The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client/patient records maintained by a program is protected by the "Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records" regulations, 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which



implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 applicable to alcohol abuse client/patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 applicable to drug abuse client/patient records.

**155.21(11)** *Placement screening, admission, assessment and evaluation.* The program shall conduct an initial assessment which shall include evaluation of the American Society of Addiction Medicine Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders, Second Edition, Revised, or other national or recognized criteria approved by the department upon granting a variance by the director in accordance with 641—Chapter 178 for determining the eligibility of individuals for placement and admission. The program shall utilize a recognized diagnostic test/tool to determine substance abuse or dependence as defined in the DSM IV (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition).

a. The program shall have written policies and procedures governing a uniform process that defines:

- (1) The types of information to be gathered on all individuals upon admission;
- (2) Procedures to be followed when accepting referrals from outside agencies or organizations;
- (3) The types of records to be kept on all individuals applying for services.

b. Following admission, the comprehensive assessment (psychosocial history) shall be an analysis and synthesis of the client/patient status and shall address the client/patient's strengths, problems, and areas of clinical concern. Sufficient information shall be collected so that a comprehensive treatment plan can be developed. It shall be developed within the period of time between admission and the first review date specified for that particular level of care within the management of care review process.

c. At the time of admission, documentation shall be made that the individual has been informed of:

- (1) General nature and goals of the program;
- (2) Rules governing client/patient conduct and infractions that can lead to disciplinary action or discharge from the program;
- (3) In a nonresidential program, the hours during which services are available;
- (4) Treatment costs to be borne by the client/patient, if any;
- (5) Client's rights and responsibilities;
- (6) Confidentiality laws, rules and regulations;
- (7) HIV/AIDS information; and
- (8) Safety and emergency procedures for residential, halfway house, inpatient and treatment services with housing.

d. The results of the screening and admission process shall be clearly explained to the client/patient and to the client/patient's family when appropriate. This shall be documented in the client/patient record.

**155.21(12)** *Treatment plans.* Based upon the initial assessment, an individualized written treatment plan shall be developed and recorded in the client/patient case record.

a. A treatment plan shall be developed as soon after the client/patient's admission as is clinically feasible and within the period of time between admission and the next review date specified for that particular level of care within the management of care review process.

b. The individualized treatment plan shall minimally contain:

- (1) A clear and concise statement of the client/patient's current strengths and needs;
- (2) Clear and concise statements of the short- and long-term goals the client/patient will be attempting to achieve;
- (3) Type and frequency of therapeutic activities in which the client/patient will be participating;
- (4) The staff person(s) to be responsible for the client/patient's treatment; and
- (5) Treatment plans shall be culturally and environmentally specific so as to meet the needs of the client/patient. Treatment plans shall be written in a manner readily understandable to the client/patient, with assistance if necessary.

c. Treatment plans shall be developed in partnership with the client/patient and shall be reviewed by the primary counselor and the client/patient as often as necessary and in accordance with the time frames specified within the management of care review process.

*d.* The reviews shall consist of: a reassessment of the client/patient's current status in conjunction with the continued stay review criteria, accomplishments and needs, and a redefining of treatment goals when appropriate. The date of the review, as well as any changes, shall be recorded in the record.

*e.* The use of abstract terms, technical jargon, or slang should be avoided in the treatment plan. The program should provide the client/patient with copies of all treatment plans upon request.

**155.21(13) Progress notes.** A client/patient's progress and current status in meeting the goals set in the treatment plan shall be recorded in the client/patient case record. Information will be noted following each individual counseling session and a summary of group counseling services shall be documented at least weekly.

*a.* Entries shall be filed in chronological order and shall include the date services were provided or observations made, the date the entry was made, the signature or initials and staff title of the individual rendering the services. All progress notes shall be entered into the client/patient case record in permanent pen, typewriter, or by computer. In those instances where records are maintained electronically, a staff identification code number authorizing access shall be accepted in lieu of a signature.

*b.* All entries that involve subjective interpretations of a client/patient's progress should be supplemented with a description of the actual behavioral observations which were the basis for the interpretation.

*c.* The use of abstract terms, technical jargon, or slang should be avoided in progress notes.

*d.* The program shall develop a uniform progress note format to be used by all clinical staff.

**155.21(14) Client case record contents.** There shall be a case record for each client/patient that contains:

*a.* Results of all examinations, tests, and screening and admissions information;

*b.* Reports from referring sources;

*c.* Treatment plans;

*d.* Continued stay and discharge reviews;

*e.* Medication records, which shall allow for the monitoring of all medications administered and self-administered and the detection of adverse drug reactions. All medication orders in the client/patient case records shall define at least the name of the medication, dose, route of administration, frequency of administration, the name of the physician who prescribed the medication, and the name of the person administering or dispensing the medication;

*f.* Reports from outside resources shall be dated and include the name of the resource;

*g.* Multidisciplinary case conference and consultation notes, including the date of the conference or consultation, recommendations made, actions taken, and individuals involved;

*h.* Correspondence related to the client/patient, including all letters and dated notations of telephone conversations relevant to the client/patient's treatment;

*i.* Treatment consent forms, if applicable;

*j.* Information release forms;

*k.* Progress notes;

*l.* Records of services provided;

*m.* Discharge summaries of services provided shall be completed within 30 days of discharge and shall be sufficiently detailed to identify the types of services the client/patient has received and action taken to address specific problems identified. General terms such as "counseling" or "activities" shall be avoided in describing services;

*n.* Management information system or other appropriate data forms; and

*o.* Incident reports.

**155.21(15) Urinalysis.** All programs serving clients who are receiving treatment for use or abuse of a controlled substance shall establish policies and procedures, if applicable, for the collection of urine specimens and utilization of urinalysis results.

*a.* Urine specimens obtained from clients shall be collected under direct supervision and analyzed as indicated by the program.

*b.* Any laboratory used by the program for urine testing and analysis shall comply, if applicable, with all federal and state proficiency testing programs.

c. Any program conducting on-site urine testing shall comply with the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act regulations.

d. Client records shall reflect the manner in which urine test results are utilized in treatment.

e. For programs with a urinalysis service, policies shall be developed concerning measures to be employed when urine specimens of clients are found to contain substances.

**155.21(16) Medical services.** The applicant shall have policies and procedures developed in conjunction with a physician to examine and evaluate substance abusers/concerned persons seeking or undergoing treatment or rehabilitation. Individuals who enter an inpatient, residential, halfway house facility, chemotherapy or emergency care facility (ASAM Levels III.1, III.3, III.5, III.7 and IV) shall undergo a medical history and physical examination. Laboratory examinations may be performed as deemed necessary by the physician. The medical history, physical examination, and necessary laboratory examinations shall be performed as soon as possible, however minimally, as follows:

a. Inpatient medically managed and medically monitored residential treatment services (ASAM Levels IV and III.7) within 24 hours of admission;

b. Primary residential and extended residential treatment (Levels III.5 and III.3) within seven calendar days of admission; and

c. Halfway house services (Level III.1) within 21 calendar days of admission.

For individuals who enter a Level I or Level II service, a medical history shall be obtained upon admission.

A program may accept medical history and physical examination results from referral sources which were conducted no more than 90 days prior to admission.

All client/patients admitted to residential, inpatient or halfway house services and high-risk outpatient client/patients shall have a tuberculosis skin test administered and read within 5 days of admission. If the client/patient has documentation of a negative tuberculosis skin test within the previous 90 days, the tuberculosis test may be accepted if the client/patient does not show any symptoms. If the client/patient has unexplained symptoms or a history of positive tuberculosis skin tests, the physician shall determine what tests are needed.

**155.21(17) Emergency medical services.** The program shall ensure, by affiliation agreement, or contract, that emergency medical services at a general hospital are available on a 24-hour basis.

a. The program will maintain emergency medical service coverage on a 24-hour, seven days a week, basis.

b. The program shall ensure that all community service providers, medical facilities, law enforcement agencies, and other appropriate personnel are informed of the 24-hour emergency services and treatment available.

**155.21(18) Medication control.** Policies and procedures shall be developed to ensure that prescription and over-the-counter drugs are administered or self-administered safely and properly in accordance with federal, state and local laws and regulations. The written policies and procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

a. Authorized personnel who administer medications shall be qualified and an updated list of such personnel shall be maintained. Only the following are designated by 657—10.16(124) as qualified individuals to whom a physician can delegate the administration of controlled substances:

(1) Persons who have successfully completed a medication administration course reviewed by the board of pharmacy examiners.

(2) Advanced emergency medical technicians and paramedics.

(3) Licensed physician assistants.

(4) Licensed pharmacists.

(5) Nurse, intern or other qualified individual delegated the responsibility to administer a prescription drug by a practitioner, licensed by the appropriate state board, to administer drugs to patients, in accordance with Iowa Code section 155A.4(2)“c.”

b. Medications shall be administered only in accordance with the instructions of the attending physician. The type and amount of the medication, the time and date, and the staff member administering the medication shall be documented in the client/patient’s record.

*c.* Self-administration of prescription medication shall be observed by a staff member who has been oriented to the program's policies and procedures on self-administration. Self-administration of prescription medications shall be permitted only when the client/patient's medication is clearly labeled. There shall be written policies and procedures relative to self-administration of prescription medications by client/patients and only when:

- (1) Medications are prescribed by a physician.
- (2) The physician agrees that the client/patient can self-administer the drug.
- (3) What is taken, how, and when, are documented in the record of the client/patient.

*d.* Drugs/medications shall be prescribed by a physician or other practitioner authorized to prescribe under Iowa law.

*e.* Prescription drugs shall not be administered or self-administered to a client/patient without a written order signed by a physician or other practitioner authorized to prescribe under Iowa law. All prescribed medications shall be clearly labeled indicating the client/patient's full name, physician's name, prescription number, name and strength of the medication, dosage, directions for use, date of issue; and name, address and telephone number of the pharmacy or physician issuing the medication. Medications shall be packaged and labeled according to state and federal guidelines.

*f.* If the medications the client/patient brings to the program are not to be used, they shall be packaged, sealed and stored. The sealed packages of medications shall be returned to the client/patient, family or significant others at the time of discharge.

*g.* Accountability and control of medications.

(1) There shall be a specific routine for medication administration, indicating dose schedules and standardization of abbreviations.

(2) There shall be specific methods for control and accountability of medication products throughout the program.

(3) The staff member in charge of medications shall provide for monthly inspection of all storage units.

(4) Medication containers having soiled, damaged, illegible, or makeshift labels shall be returned to the issuing pharmacist, pharmacy, or physician for relabeling or disposal.

(5) Unused prescription drugs prescribed for residents who have left the facility without their medication shall be destroyed by the person in charge with a witness and notation made on the resident's record. When a resident is discharged or leaves the facility, medications currently being administered shall be sent, in the original container, with the resident or with a responsible agent, and with the approval of the physician.

*h.* Medication storage shall be maintained in accordance with the security requirements of federal, state and local laws.

(1) All medication shall be maintained in locked storage. Controlled substances shall be maintained in a locked box within the locked cabinet.

(2) Medications requiring refrigeration shall be kept in a refrigerator and separated from food and other items.

(3) Disinfectants and medication for external use shall be stored separately from internal and injectable medications.

(4) The medication for each client/patient shall be stored in the original containers.

(5) All potent poisonous or caustic medication shall be plainly labeled, stored separately from other medication in a specific well-illuminated cabinet, closet, or storeroom, and made accessible only to authorized persons.

*i.* Dispensed from a licensed pharmacy. Medication provided to a client/patient shall be dispensed only from a licensed pharmacy in the state of Iowa in accordance with the pharmacy laws in the Code of Iowa, or from a licensed pharmacy in another state according to the laws of that state, or by a licensed physician.

*j.* Use of medications. Prescription medications prescribed for one resident may not be administered to or allowed in the possession of another resident.

k. Patient reaction. Any unusual client/patient reaction to a medication shall be documented in the client/patient record and reported to the attending physician immediately.

l. Dilution or reconstitution of medication. Dilution or reconstitution and labeling of medication shall be done only by a licensed pharmacist.

**155.21(19) Management of care.** The program shall ensure appropriate level of care utilization by implementing and maintaining the written placement screening, continuing service, and discharge criteria process developed by the department. The programs shall also address underutilization, overutilization, and the effective use of levels of care available. The time frames for management of care activities minimally shall be implemented within 30 days for Levels I and III.1; within 7 days for Levels II.1, II.5, III.3 and III.5; and daily for Levels III.7 and IV.

The discharge planning process shall begin at admission, determining a client/patient's continued need for treatment services and developing a plan to address ongoing client/patient needs posttreatment. Discharge planning may or may not include a document identified as a discharge plan.

**155.21(20) Quality improvement.** The program shall have an ongoing quality improvement program designed to objectively and systematically monitor and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of client/patient care, pursue opportunities to improve client/patient care, and resolve identified problems. Quality improvement efforts shall be facilitywide in scope and include review of clinical and professional services.

a. There shall be a written plan for a quality improvement program that describes the objectives, organization, scope, and mechanisms for overseeing the effectiveness of monitoring, evaluation, and problem-solving activities.

b. The program shall establish written policies and procedures to both describe and document the quality improvement of the program's monitoring and evaluation activities. The policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) Information is collected or screened by a designated individual, individuals, or committee. Quality improvement activities may be contracted through all outside resources;

(2) Objective criteria shall be utilized in the development and application of criteria relating to the care or service it provides; and

(3) Objective criteria shall be utilized in the evaluation of the information collected in order to identify important problems in, or opportunities to improve, client/patient care and clinical performance.

c. The program shall document that the quality of client/patient care is improved and identified problems are resolved through actions taken as appropriate by the program's administrative and supervisory staffs and through professional staff functions.

d. Necessary information shall be communicated among program components, modalities, or services when problems or opportunities to improve client/patient care involve more than one program component or service.

e. The program shall ensure that the status of identified problems is tracked to ensure improvement or resolution.

f. Information from program components or services and the findings of discrete quality improvement activities are used to detect trends, patterns of performance, or potential problems that affect more than one program component or service.

g. The objectives, scope, organization, and effectiveness of the quality improvement program are evaluated at least annually and revised as necessary.

**155.21(21) Building construction and safety.** All buildings in which clients receive screenings, evaluations, assessments or treatment are designed, constructed, equipped, and maintained in a manner that is designed to provide for the physical safety of clients, personnel, and visitors.

a. If required by local jurisdiction, all programs shall maintain a certification of occupancy.

b. During all phases of construction or alterations of buildings, the level of life safety shall not be diminished in any occupied area. The construction shall be in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local codes.

c. New construction shall comply with Iowa Code chapter 104A and all applicable federal and local codes and provide for safe and convenient use by disabled individuals.

d. All programs shall have written policies and procedures to provide a safe environment for clients, personnel, and visitors and to monitor that environment. The program shall document implementation of the procedures. The written policies and procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) The process for the identification, development, implementation, and review of safety policies and procedures for all departments or services.

(2) The promotion and maintenance of an ongoing, facilitywide hazard surveillance program to detect and report all safety hazards related to clients, visitors, and personnel.

(3) The process by which the staff is to dispose of biohazardous waste within the clinical service areas.

(4) All program areas.

1. Stairways, halls, and aisles shall be of substantial nonslippery material, shall be maintained in a good state of repair, shall be adequately lighted and shall be kept free from obstructions at all times. All stairways shall have handrails.

2. Radiators, registers, and steam and hot water pipes shall have protective covering or insulation. Electrical outlets and switches shall have wall plates.

3. For juvenile facilities, fuse boxes shall be under lock and key or six feet above the floor.

4. Facilities shall have written procedures for the handling and storage of hazardous materials.

5. Facilities shall have policies and procedures for weapons removal.

6. Swimming pools shall conform to state and local health and safety regulations. Adult supervision shall be provided at all times when children are using the pool.

7. Facilities shall have policies regarding fishing ponds, lakes, or any bodies of water located on or near the program and accessible to the client/patient.

**155.21(22) Outpatient facility.** The outpatient facility shall be safe, clean, well ventilated, properly heated, free from vermin and rodents and in good repair.

a. The facility shall be appropriate for providing services available from the program and for protecting confidentiality.

b. Furniture shall be in good repair.

c. There shall be a written plan outlining procedures to be followed in the event of fire or tornado. These plans shall be conspicuously displayed at the facility.

**155.21(23) Therapeutic environment.** All programs shall establish an environment that enhances the positive self-image of client/patients and preserves their human dignity. The grounds of the program shall have adequate space for the program to carry out its stated goals. When client/patient needs or program goals involve outdoor activities, these activities and programs shall be appropriate to the ages and clinical needs of the client/patient.

a. All services shall be accessible to people with disabilities or the program shall have written policies and procedures that describe how people with disabilities can attain access to the facility for necessary services. All programs shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

b. The waiting or reception areas shall be of adequate size, have appropriate furniture and be located so as to ensure confidentiality of client/patients in session or receiving services.

c. Program staff shall be available in waiting or reception areas so as to address the needs of the client/patients and visitors.

d. The program shall have written policies and procedures regarding chemical substances in the facility.

e. Smoking shall be prohibited within any facilities or any portion of a facility used for outpatient drug and alcohol treatment services and programs. Smoking shall be prohibited, except in designated areas within facilities or portions of facilities used for inpatient and residential drug and alcohol treatment services.

f. A program or person shall not sell, give, or otherwise supply any tobacco, tobacco products, or cigarettes to any person under 18 years of age, and a person under 18 years of age shall not smoke, use, purchase, or attempt to purchase, any tobacco, tobacco products, or cigarettes.

g. There shall be written policies and procedures to address the following:

- (1) There shall be a policy to inform client/patients of their legal and human rights at the time of admission;
- (2) Client/patient communication, opinions, or grievances, with a mechanism for redress;
- (3) Prohibition of sexual harassment; and
- (4) Client/patient rights to privacy.

**641—155.22(125) Inpatient, residential, and halfway house safety.** Specific safety standards for inpatient, residential and halfway house safety.

**155.22(1) Health and fire safety inspections.** Inpatient, residential and halfway house substance abuse treatment facilities shall comply with appropriate department of inspections and appeals rules, state fire marshal's rules and fire ordinances, and appropriate local health, fire, occupancy code, and safety regulations. The program shall maintain documentation of such compliance.

*a.* Inpatient, residential and halfway house substance abuse treatment facilities required to be licensed by the department of public health shall comply with standards for food service sanitation in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of inspections and appeals pursuant to 481—Chapter 32 of the Iowa Administrative Code and Iowa Code chapter 137B.

*b.* Food service operations in substance abuse inpatient, residential, and halfway house treatment facilities shall be inspected on an annual basis by the department of inspections and appeals or appropriate local boards of health having agreements with the department of inspections and appeals to conduct such inspections.

*c.* The use of door locks or closed sections shall be approved by the fire marshal, professional staff and governing body.

**155.22(2) Emergency preparedness.** The inpatient, residential and halfway house programs shall have an emergency preparedness program designed to provide for the effective utilization of available resources so that client/patient care can be continued during a disaster.

**641—155.23(125) Specific standards for inpatient, residential, and halfway house service.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house service shall be designed to provide comprehensive diagnostic, treatment and rehabilitation services in a 24-hour therapeutic setting.

**155.23(1) Hours of operation.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house service shall operate seven days per week, 24 hours a day.

**155.23(2) Meals.** Inpatient and residential programs shall provide a minimum of three meals per day to each client/patient enrolled in the program. Inpatient, residential, and other programs where clients/patients are not present during mealtime shall make provisions to make available the necessary meals. Menus shall be prepared in consultation with a dietitian. If client/patients are allowed to prepare meals, the program shall document conformity with all commonly accepted policies and procedures of state health regulations and food hygiene.

**155.23(3) Consultation with counsel.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have policies and procedures which will ensure that all client/patients in a facility have opportunity for and access to consultation with legal counsel at any reasonable time.

**155.23(4) Visitation with family and friends.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have policies and procedures which will ensure opportunities for continuing contact with family and friends. If such visiting opportunities are clinically contraindicated, they shall be approved on an individual basis by the treatment supervisor and subject to review by the executive director. The justification for restrictions shall be documented in the client/patient record. If clinical indications require restrictions on visitation, such restrictions shall be evaluated for continuing therapeutic effectiveness every seven days by the treatment supervisor and primary counselor.

The program shall establish visiting hours which shall be conspicuously displayed at the facility and in such a manner to be visible to those entering the facility.

**155.23(5) Telephone use.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have policies and procedures which allow client/patients to conduct private telephone conversations with family and friends at the facility. If such are clinically contraindicated, they shall be approved on an individual

basis by the treatment supervisor and subject to review by the executive director. The justification for restrictions shall be documented in the client/patient record. If clinical indications require restrictions, such shall be evaluated for continuing therapeutic effectiveness every seven days by the treatment supervisor and primary counselor. Access to the telephone shall be available during reasonable hours as defined by the program in written policies and procedures except for emergency calls, which may be received at the time of the call, or made when necessary.

**155.23(6) *Written communication.*** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have policies and procedures which ensure that neither mail nor other communications to or from a client/patient in a facility is intercepted, read, or censored.

**155.23(7) *Facility.*** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house facility shall be safe, clean, well-ventilated, properly heated, in good repair, and free from vermin to ensure the well-being of residents.

- a. Client/patient bedrooms shall include:
  - (1) A sturdily constructed bed;
  - (2) A clean mattress protected with a clean mattress pad;
  - (3) A designated space for personal possessions and for hanging clothing in proximity to the sleeping area; and
  - (4) Windows in bedrooms shall have curtains or window blinds.
- b. Sleeping areas shall include:
  - (1) Doors for privacy;
  - (2) Partitioning or placement of furniture to provide privacy for all client/patients;
  - (3) The number of client/patients in a room shall be appropriate to the goals of the facility and to the ages, developmental levels, and clinical needs of the client/patients;
  - (4) Client/patients will be allowed to keep and display personal belongings and add personal touches to the decoration of their rooms in accordance with program policy;
  - (5) Staff shall respect the client/patient's right to privacy by knocking on the door of the client/patient's room before entering.
- c. Clean linen, towels and washcloths shall be available minimally on a weekly basis and more often as needed.
- d. Bathrooms shall provide residents with facilities necessary for personal hygiene and personal privacy, including:
  - (1) A safe supply of hot and cold running water which is potable;
  - (2) Clean towels, electric hand dryers or paper towel dispensers, and an available supply of toilet paper and soap;
  - (3) Natural or mechanical ventilation capable of removing odors;
  - (4) Tubs or showers shall have slip-proof surfaces;
  - (5) Partitions with doors which provide privacy if a bathroom has multiple toilet stools;
  - (6) Toilets, wash basins, and other plumbing or sanitary facilities shall at all times be maintained in good operating condition; and
  - (7) The ratio of bathroom facilities to residents shall be one tub or shower head per 12 residents, one wash basin per 12 residents and one toilet per 8 residents.
  - (8) If the facility is coeducational, the program shall designate and so identify separate bathrooms for male and female client/patients.
- e. There shall be a written plan outlining procedures to be followed in the event of fire or tornado. These plans shall be conspicuously displayed on each floor or dormitory area that client/patients, residents, or visitors occupy at the facility and shall be explained to all inpatient, residential, and halfway house client/patients as a part of their orientation to the program. Fire drills shall be conducted at least monthly and tornado drills conducted during the tornado season from April through October.
- f. Written reports of annual inspections by state or local fire safety officials shall be maintained with records of corrective action taken by the program on recommendations articulated in such reports.
- g. Smoking shall not be permitted in bedrooms.



*h.* Every facility shall have an adequate water supply from an approved source. A municipal water system shall be considered as meeting this requirement. Private water sources shall be tested annually.

*i.* The facility shall allow for the following:

- (1) Areas in which a client/patient may be alone when appropriate; and
- (2) Areas for private conversations with others.

*j.* Articles of grooming and personal hygiene that are appropriate to the client/patient's age, developmental level, and clinical state shall be readily available in a space reserved near the client/patient's sleeping area. If clinically indicated as determined by the treatment supervisor, a client/patient's personal articles may be kept under lock and key by staff. If access to potentially dangerous grooming aids or other personal articles is contraindicated for clinical reasons, a member of the professional staff shall explain to the client/patient the conditions under which the articles may be used; and the clinical rationale for these conditions shall be documented in the client/patient case record.

*k.* Housekeeping. If client/patients take responsibility for maintaining their own living quarters and for day-to-day housekeeping activities of the program, these responsibilities shall be clearly defined in writing and be a part of the client/patient orientation program. Staff assistance and equipment shall be provided as needed.

*l.* Clothing. Client/patients shall be allowed to wear their own clothing in accordance with program rules. If clothing is provided by programs, it shall be suited to the climate and appropriate. In addition, a laundry room shall be accessible so client/patients may wash their clothing.

*m.* Noise-producing equipment. The program shall ensure that the use and location of noise-producing equipment and appliances, such as television sets, radios, and CD players do not interfere with clinical and therapeutic activities.

*n.* Recreation and outdoor activities. The program shall provide recreation and outdoor activities, unless contraindicated for therapeutic reasons.

**155.23(8) Religion-culture.** The inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have a written description of its religious orientation, particular religious practices that are observed, and any religious restrictions. This description shall be provided to the client/patients, parent(s) or guardian, and the placing agency at the time of admission in compliance with DHHS, 42 CFR, Part 2, Regulations on Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Client Records. This information shall also be available to adults during orientation. The client/patient shall have the opportunity to participate in religious activities and services in accordance with the client/patient's own faith or that of a minor client/patient's parent(s) or guardian. The facility shall, when necessary and reasonable, arrange transportation for religious activities.

**641—155.24(125) Specific standards for inpatient, residential, and halfway house substance abuse service admitting juveniles.** An inpatient, residential, and halfway house program that houses one or more juveniles under the age of 18 must also comply with the following standards.

**155.24(1) Personal possessions.** The inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall allow a child to bring personal belongings. However, the inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall, as necessary, limit or supervise the use of these items. In addition, the program shall ensure that each child has adequate, clean, well-fitting, attractive, and seasonable clothing as required for health, comfort, and physical well-being. The clothes should be appropriate to age, sex and individual needs.

**155.24(2) Family involvement.** There shall be written policies and procedures for family involvement that shall encourage continued involvement of the family.

**155.24(3) Children's money.** Money earned or received as a gift or as an allowance by a child in care shall be deemed to be that child's personal property. The program shall have a written policy on the child's use of funds. The program shall maintain a separate accounting system for children's money.

**155.24(4) Discipline.** The inpatient, residential, and halfway house program shall have written policies and procedures regarding methods used for control and discipline of children which shall be available to all staff and to the child's family. Agency staff shall be in control of and responsible for discipline at all times. Discipline shall not include the withholding of basic necessities such as food, clothing, or sleep.

a. The program shall have a policy that clearly prohibits staff or the children from utilizing corporal punishment as a method of disciplining or correcting children. This policy is to be communicated, in writing, to all staff of the facility.

b. Behavior expectations. The program shall make available to the child and the child's parents or guardian written policies regarding the following areas:

(1) The general expectations of behavior including the program's rules and practices.

(2) The range of reasonable consequences that may be used to deal with inappropriate behavior.

**155.24(5) *Number of staff.*** The program shall have 7 days per week, 24-hour per day coverage. The number and qualifications of the staff will vary depending on the needs of the children.

a. Inpatient, residential, halfway house programs, and community residential facilities as defined in 441—Chapter 114, shall have an on-call system operational 24 hours a day to provide supervisory consultation. The program shall have a written plan documenting this system. During prime programming time, there shall be at least a one-to-eight, staff-to-client/patient ratio.

b. Comprehensive residential facilities, as defined in 441—Chapter 115, shall have at least a one-to-five, staff-to-client/patient ratio during prime programming time. A staff person shall be in each living unit at all times when children are in residence, and there shall be a minimum of three nighttime checks between the hours of 12 midnight and 6 a.m. These checks shall be logged. Policies and procedures for nighttime checks shall be in writing.

c. The program's prime programming time shall be defined in writing.

**155.24(6) *Illness, accident, death, or absence from the inpatient, residential, and halfway house program.*** The program shall have written policies and procedures to notify the child's parent(s), guardian, and responsible agency of any serious illnesses, incidents involving serious bodily injury, or circumstances causing removal of the child from the facility in compliance with DHHS, 42 CFR, Part 2, Regulations on Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Client Records. In the event of the death of a child, a facility shall notify immediately the physician, the child's parent(s) or guardian, the placing agency, and the appropriate state authority.

**155.24(7) *Educational services.*** An educational program shall be available for each child in accordance with abilities and needs. The educational and teaching standards established by the state department of public instruction shall be met.

**155.24(8) *Needs of the juvenile.*** Program services and rules shall be designed to meet individual needs of the juvenile.

#### **641—155.25(125) Specific standards for assessment and evaluation programs.**

##### **155.25(1) *Definitions.***

*"Acute intoxication or withdrawal potential"* is a category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2 placement, continued stay, and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient's current status of intoxication and potential for withdrawal complications as it impacts on level of care decision making. Historical information about client/patient's withdrawal patterns may also be considered.

*"Admission"* means the point in an individual's relationship with the program at which the evaluation, placement screening and assessment process has been completed and the individual is entitled to receive treatment services.

*"Admission criteria"* means specific ASAM-PPC-2 criteria to be considered in determining appropriate client/patient placement and resultant referral to a level of care. Criteria vary in intensity and are organized into six categories: acute intoxication or withdrawal potential, biomedical conditions or complications, emotional/behavioral conditions or complications, treatment resistance/acceptance, relapse potential, and recovery environment.

*"ASAM-PPC-2"* means the American Society of Addiction Medicine, Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders, Second Edition.

*"Assessment"* means the ongoing process of identifying a diagnosis, ruling out other diagnoses, and determining the level of care needed by the client.

*"Biomedical condition or complication"* means one category to be considered in ASAM-PPC-2 placement, continued stay, and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient's current

physical condition as it impacts on level of care decision making. Historical information on client/patient's medical/physical functioning may also be considered.

*"Case management"* means the process of using predefined criteria to evaluate the necessity and appropriateness of client care.

*"Chemical dependency"* means alcohol or drug dependence or psychoactive substance use disorder as defined by current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual for Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM-IV) criteria or by other standardized and widely accepted criteria.

*"Client/patient"* means an individual who has a substance abuse problem or is chemically dependent, has been assessed as appropriate for services, and for whom screening procedures have been completed.

*"Clinically managed high-intensity residential services"* (Level III.5) offers high-intensity residential services designed to address significant problems with living skills. The prime example of Level III.5 care is the therapeutic community, which provides a highly structured recovery environment in combination with moderate- to high-intensity professional clinical services to support and promote recovery. (Reference ASAM-PPC-2)

*"Clinically managed low-intensity residential services"* (Level III.1) offers low-intensity professional addiction treatment services at least five hours a week. Treatment is directed toward applying recovery skills, preventing relapse, promoting personal responsibility and reintegrating the resident into the worlds of work, education, and family life. The services provided may include individual, group and family therapy. Mutual/self-help meetings usually are available on site. (Reference ASAM-PPC-2)

*"Clinically managed medium-intensity residential services"* (Level III.3) is frequently referred to as extended or long-term care. Level III.3 programs provide a structured recovery environment in combination with medium-intensity professional clinical services to support and promote recovery. (Reference ASAM-PPC-2)

*"Clinical oversight"* means oversight provided by an individual who, by virtue of education, training or experience, is capable of assessing the psychosocial history of a substance abuser to determine the treatment plan most appropriate for the client. The person providing oversight shall be designated by the applicant.

*"Continued stay criteria"* means specific ASAM-PPC-2 criteria to be considered in determining appropriate client/patient placement for continued stay at a level of care or referral to a more appropriate level of care. Criteria vary in intensity and are organized into six categories: acute intoxication or withdrawal potential; biomedical conditions or complications; emotional/behavioral conditions or complications; treatment resistance/acceptance; relapse potential; and recovery environment.

*"Continuing care"* means Level I service of ASAM-PPC-2 placement criteria, which provides a specific period of structured therapeutic involvement designed to enhance, facilitate and promote transition from primary care to ongoing recovery. (Reference ASAM-PPC-2)

*"Detoxification"* means the process of eliminating the toxic effects of drugs and alcohol from the body. Supervised detoxification methods include social detoxification and medical monitoring or management and are intended to avoid withdrawal complications. (Reference ASAM-PPC-2 for detoxification level of care)

*"Emotional/behavioral conditions or complications"* is a category to be considered in ASAM-PPC-2 placement criteria. This category evaluates client/patient's current emotional/behavioral status as it impacts on level of care decision making. Emotional/behavioral status may include, but is not limited to, anxiety, depression, impulsivity, and guilt and the behavior that accompanies or follows these emotional states. Historical information on client/patient's emotional/behavioral functioning may also be considered.

*"Evaluation"* means the process to evaluate the client/patient's strengths, weaknesses, problems, and needs for the purpose of defining a course of treatment. This includes use of the standardized placement screening and any additional client/patient profile information and recommendation to an appropriate level of care.

*"Intake"* means gathering additional assessment information at the time of admission to services.

*“Intensive outpatient treatment”* (Level II.1) programs generally provide nine or more hours of structured programming per week, consisting primarily of counseling and education concerning alcohol and other drug problems. Intensive outpatient treatment differs from partial hospitalization (Level II.5) in the intensity of clinical services that are directly available; specifically, intensive outpatient treatment has less capacity to effectively treat individuals who have substantial medical and psychiatric problems.

*“Levels of care”* is a general term that encompasses the different options for treatment that vary according to the intensity of the services offered. Each treatment option in the client/patient placement criteria is a level of care.

*“Recovery environment”* means one category to be considered in the ASAM-PPC-2 placement, continued stay and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current recovery environment as it impacts on level of care decision making. Recovery environment may include, but is not limited to, current relationships and degree of support for recovery, current housing, employment situation, and availability of alternatives. Historical information on client/patient’s recovery environment may also be considered.

*“Relapse”* means progressive irresponsible, inappropriate and dysfunctional behavior patterns that could lead to resumption of alcohol or drug use. “Relapse” also refers to the resumption of alcohol or drug use.

*“Relapse potential”* means a category to be considered in ASAM-PPC-2 placement, continued stay, and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current relapse potential as it impacts on level of care decision making. Relapse potential may include, but is not limited to, current statements by client/patient about relapse potential, reports from others on client/patient’s potential for relapse, and assessment by clinical staff. Historical information on client/patient’s relapse potential may also be considered.

*“Screening”* means the process by which a client/patient is determined appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular program or level of care. The focus is on the minimum criteria necessary for appropriateness/eligibility.

*“Sole practitioner”* means an individual incorporated under the laws of the state of Iowa.

*“Substance abuser”* means a person who lacks self-control as to the use of chemical substances or uses chemical substances to the extent that the person’s health is substantially impaired or endangered or that the person’s social or economic function is substantially disrupted.

*“Treatment acceptance/resistance”* is a category to be considered in ASAM-PPC-2 placement, continued stay, and discharge criteria. This category evaluates client/patient’s current treatment acceptance/resistance as it impacts on level of care decision making. Treatment acceptance/resistance may include, but is not limited to, current statements by client/patient about treatment acceptance/resistance, reports from others on client/patient treatment acceptance/resistance, and assessment by clinical staff on client/patient motivation. Historical information on client/patient may also be considered.

**155.25(2) Governing body.** Each program shall have a formally designated governing body that is representative of the community being served, complies with the Iowa Code and is the ultimate authority for the overall program operations. Persons in private practice as sole practitioners shall be exempt from this subrule.

*a.* The governing body shall develop and adopt written bylaws and policies that define the powers and duties of the governing body, its committees, advisory groups, and the executive director. These bylaws shall be reviewed and revised by the governing body as necessary.

*b.* The bylaws shall minimally specify the following:

- (1) The type of membership;
- (2) The term of appointment;
- (3) The frequency of meetings;
- (4) The attendance requirements; and
- (5) The quorum necessary to transact business.

*c.* Minutes of all meetings shall be kept and be available for review by the department and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- (1) Date of the meeting;
- (2) Names of members attending;
- (3) Topics discussed; and
- (4) Decisions reached and actions taken.

*d.* The duties of the governing body shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- (1) Appointment of a qualified executive director who shall have the responsibility and authority for the management of the program in accordance with the governing body's established policies;
- (2) Establish an effective control which will ensure that quality services are delivered;
- (3) Review and approve the program's annual budget; and
- (4) Approve all contracts.

*e.* The governing body shall develop and approve policies for the effective operation of the program.

*f.* The governing body shall be responsible for all funds, equipment, supplies and the facility in which the program operates. The governing body shall be responsible for the appropriateness and adequacy of services provided by the program.

*g.* The governing body shall at least annually prepare a report which will include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following items:

- (1) The name, address, occupation, and place of employment of each governing body member;
- (2) Any family relationship which a member of the governing body may have to a program staff member; and
- (3) Where applicable, the names and addresses of all owners or controlling parties whether they are individuals, partnerships, corporation body, or subdivision of other bodies, such as a public agency, or religious group, fraternity, or other philanthropic organization.

*h.* The governing body shall assume responsibility in seeing that the program has malpractice and liability insurance and a fidelity bond.

**155.25(3) *Executive director.*** This individual shall have primary responsibility for the overall program operations. The duties of the executive director shall be clearly defined by the governing authority, when applicable.

**155.25(4) *Clinical oversight.*** The program shall have appropriate clinical oversight to ensure quality of clinical services provided to client/patients. This may be provided in house or through a consultation agreement.

**155.25(5) *Staff development and training.*** There shall be written policies and procedures that establish staff development. Staff development shall include orientation for staff and opportunities for continuing job-related education. For corporations organized under Iowa Code chapter 496C and sole practitioners, documentation of continuing education to maintain professional license or substance abuse certification will meet the requirement of this subrule.

*a.* Evidence of professional education, substance abuse certification or licensing, or orientation which includes the following: psychosocial, medical, pharmacological, confidentiality, tuberculosis, community resources; screening, evaluation, HIV/AIDS (Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) information/education; and the attitudes, values and lifestyles of racially diverse cultures, other cultures and special populations.

*b.* Staff development shall ensure that staff members are kept informed of new developments in the field of substance abuse screening, evaluation and placement.

**155.25(6) *Management information system.*** Programs receiving Medicaid or state funding and programs performing OWI evaluation in accordance with 641—Chapter 157 shall submit client data to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, in accordance with substance abuse reporting system procedures.

**155.25(7) *Procedures manual.*** All programs shall develop and maintain a procedures manual. This manual shall define the program's policies and procedures to reflect the program's activities. Revisions shall be entered with the date, name and title of the individual making the entries. This manual shall

contain all of the required written policies, procedures, definitions, and all other documentation required by these standards in the following areas:

- a. Legal authority and organization;
- b. Personnel policies, except for sole practitioner;
- c. Emergency medical services;
- d. Staff development;
- e. Maintenance of client case records;
- f. Confidentiality of client records;
- g. Clinical services, such as placement screening, evaluation and assessment; and
- h. Relationship with other providers.

**155.25(8) Fiscal management.** The program shall ensure proper fiscal management.

a. The fiscal management system shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including internal controls to reasonably protect the agency assets.

b. The OWI evaluation fee schedule shall be made public, and the client/patient shall be informed of the fee schedule at the time of scheduling the evaluation.

c. There shall be an insurance program that provides for the protection of the physical and financial resources of the program which provides coverage for all people, buildings, and equipment. The insurance program shall be reviewed annually by the governing body.

**155.25(9) Personnel.** Written personnel policies and procedures shall be developed, except for the sole practitioner.

a. These policies and procedures shall address the following areas:

- (1) Recruitment, selection, and certification of staff members;
- (2) Wage and salary administration;
- (3) Promotions;
- (4) Employee benefits;
- (5) Working hours;
- (6) Vacation and sick leave;
- (7) Lines of authority;
- (8) Rules of conduct;
- (9) Disciplinary actions and termination of employees;
- (10) Methods for handling cases of inappropriate client care;
- (11) Work performance appraisal;
- (12) Employee accidents and safety;
- (13) Employee grievances; and
- (14) Policy on staff persons suspected of using or abusing substances.

b. The written personnel policies and practices shall include an equal employment opportunity policy and an affirmative action plan for hiring members of protected classes.

c. There shall be written job descriptions that reflect the actual job situation.

d. The written personnel policies and practices shall include a mechanism for a written evaluation of personnel performance on at least an annual basis. There shall be evidence that this evaluation is reviewed with the employee and that the employee is given the opportunity to respond to this evaluation.

e. There shall be a personnel record kept on each staff member. These records shall contain as applicable:

- (1) Verification of training, experience, and all professional credentials relevant to the position;
- (2) Job performance evaluations;
- (3) Incident reports;
- (4) Disciplinary actions taken; and
- (5) Documentation of review and adherence to confidentiality laws and regulations. This review and agreement shall occur prior to assumption of duties.

f. There shall be written policies and procedures designed to ensure confidentiality of personnel records and a delineation of authorized personnel who have access to various types of personnel information.

**155.25(10) Professional qualifications.**

a. Personnel conducting screenings, placements, and assessments shall be certified through the Iowa board of substance abuse certification, or certified by an international certification and reciprocity consortium member board in the states of Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri, South Dakota, and Wisconsin; or be eligible for certification or have education, training, or experience in the substance abuse field.

b. The sole practitioner shall subscribe to a code of conduct such as that found in professional certification or licensure.

**155.25(11) Child abuse/criminal records check.**

a. Written policies and procedures shall prohibit mistreatment, neglect, or abuse of children and specify reporting and enforcement procedures for the program. Alleged violations shall be reported immediately to the director of the facility and appropriate department of human services personnel. Written policies and procedures on reporting alleged violations shall be in compliance with the department of human services, 42 CFR, Part 2, regulations on confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client records. Any employee found to be in violation of Iowa Code chapter 232, division III, part 2, as substantiated by the department of human services' investigation shall be subject to the agency's policies concerning dismissal.

b. For each employee working within a juvenile service area, the following shall be documented:

(1) Documentation of a criminal records check with the Iowa division of criminal investigation on all new applicants for employment asking whether the applicant has been convicted of a crime.

(2) A written, signed, and dated statement furnished by a new applicant for employment which discloses any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse that may exist on the applicant.

(3) Documentation of a check after hiring on probationary or temporary status, but prior to permanently employing the individual with the Iowa central child abuse registry for any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse.

(4) A person who has a record of a criminal conviction or founded child abuse report shall not be employed, unless an evaluation of the crime or founded child abuse has been made by the department of human services which concludes that the crime or founded child abuse does not merit prohibition of employment. If a record of criminal conviction or founded child abuse exists, the person shall be offered the opportunity to complete and submit Form 470-2310, Record Check Evaluation. In its evaluation, the department of human services shall consider the nature and seriousness of the crime or founded abuse in relation to the position sought, the time elapsed since the commission of the crime or founded abuse, the circumstances under which the crime or founded abuse was committed, the degree of rehabilitation, and the number of crimes or founded abuses committed by the person involved.

c. Each treatment staff member shall complete two hours of training relating to the identification and reporting of child abuse and dependent adult abuse within six months of initial employment, and at least two hours of additional training every five years thereafter.

**155.25(12) Client case record maintenance.** There shall be written policies and procedures governing the compilation, storage and dissemination of individual client case records.

a. These policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) The program exercises its responsibility for safeguarding and protecting the client case record against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure of information;

(2) Content and format of client records are kept uniform; and

(3) Entries in the client case record are signed and dated.

b. The program shall provide adequate physical facilities for the storage, processing, and handling of client case records. These facilities shall include suitably locked, secured rooms or file cabinets.

c. Appropriate records shall be readily accessible to those staff members providing services directly to the client and other individuals specifically authorized by program policy.

d. There shall be a written policy governing the disposal and maintenance of client case records. Client case records shall be maintained for not less than five years from the date they are officially closed.

e. Each file cabinet or storage area containing client/patient case records shall be locked.

*f.* Policies shall be established that specify the conditions under which information on applicants or clients may be released and the procedures to be followed for releasing such information. All such policies and procedures shall be in accordance with the federal confidentiality regulations, “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records,” 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 applicable to alcohol abuse patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 applicable to drug abuse patient records, and state confidentiality laws and regulations.

*g.* Confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records. The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records maintained by a program is protected by the “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records” regulations, 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 applicable to alcohol abuse patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 applicable to drug abuse patient records.

**155.25(13)** *Placement screening, evaluation and assessment.* There shall be clearly stated written criteria for determining the eligibility of individuals for placement screening evaluation and assessment.

*a.* The program shall have written policies and procedures governing a uniform process that defines:

- (1) Procedures to be followed when accepting referrals from outside agencies or organizations;
- (2) The types of records to be kept on all individuals applying for services.

*b.* The program shall conduct a screening, which shall include evaluation of the ASAM-PPC-2 for determining the recommendation of individuals for placement into a level of care.

*c.* At the time of screening, documentation shall be made that the individual has been informed of:

- (1) Evaluation costs to be borne by the client, if any;
- (2) Client’s rights and responsibilities; and
- (3) Confidentiality laws, rules and regulations.

*d.* Sufficient information shall be collected during the screening and evaluation process so that a recommendation can be made for placement into a level of care.

*e.* The results of the screening and evaluation process shall be clearly explained to the client and to the client’s family when appropriate. This shall be documented in the client record.

*f.* Programs conducting screenings and evaluations on persons convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (OWI), Iowa Code section 321J.2, and persons whose driver’s license or nonresident operating privileges are revoked under chapter 321J, shall do so in accord with and adhere to 641—Chapter 157.

**155.25(14)** *Client case record contents.* There shall be a case record for each client that contains:

- a.* Results of all examinations, tests, and screening and admissions information;
- b.* Reports from referring sources when applicable;
- c.* Reports from outside resources shall be dated and include the name of the resource;
- d.* Multidisciplinary case conference and consultation notes, including the date of the conference or consultation, recommendations made, actions taken, and individuals involved when applicable;
- e.* Correspondence related to the client, including all letters and dated notations of telephone conversations relevant to the client’s treatment;
- f.* Information release forms;
- g.* Records of services provided; and
- h.* Management information system or other appropriate data forms.

**155.25(15)** *Emergency medical services.* The program shall ensure that emergency medical services are available through an affiliation agreement or contract or policy and procedure.

**155.25(16)** *Management of care.* The program shall ensure appropriate level of care utilization by implementing and maintaining the written placement screening.

**155.25(17)** *Building construction and safety.* All buildings in which clients receive treatment shall be designed, constructed, equipped, and maintained in a manner that is designed to provide for the physical safety of clients, personnel, and visitors.



a. All programs shall have written policies and procedures to provide a safe environment for clients, personnel and visitors. The program shall have written policies and procedures for the maintenance, supervision, and safe use of all its grounds and equipment.

b. Safety education shall include orientation of new employees to general facilitywide safety practices.

**155.25(18) Outpatient facility.** The outpatient facility shall be safe, clean, well ventilated, properly heated and in good repair.

a. The facility shall be appropriate for providing services available from the program and for protecting client confidentiality.

b. Furniture shall be clean and in good repair.

c. Written reports of annual inspections by state or local fire safety officials and records of corrective action taken by the program on recommendations articulated in such reports shall be maintained.

d. There shall be a written plan outlining procedures to be followed in the event of fire and tornado. This plan shall be conspicuously displayed at the facility.

e. All services shall be accessible to people with disabilities, or the program shall have written policies and procedures that describe how people with disabilities can gain access to the facility for necessary services.

f. The program shall ensure confidentiality of clients receiving services.

g. Smoking shall be prohibited except in designated areas.

**155.25(19) Client rights.** The program shall maintain written policies and procedures that ensure that the legal and human rights of clients participating in the program shall be observed and protected.

a. There shall be procedures to inform all clients of their legal and human rights at the time of evaluation.

b. There shall be documentation of the implementation of these procedures.

c. There shall be written policies and procedures for:

- (1) Clients' communications, e.g., opinions, recommendations;
- (2) Client grievances, with a mechanism for redress;
- (3) Prohibition of sexual harassment; and
- (4) Implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

d. There shall be procedures designed to protect the clients' rights and privacy.

**155.25(20) Administrative and procedural standards.** The program shall comply with the following rules:

a. 641—155.2(125) Licensing.

b. 641—155.3(125) Type of licenses.

c. 641—155.4(125) Nonassignability.

d. 641—155.5(125) Application procedures.

e. 641—155.6(125) Application review.

f. 641—155.7(125) Inspection of licensees.

g. 641—155.8(125) Licenses—renewal.

h. 641—155.9(125) Corrective action plan.

i. 641—155.10(125) Grounds for denial of initial license.

j. 641—155.11(125) Suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew a license.

k. 641—155.12(125) Contested case hearing.

l. 641—155.13(125) Rehearing application.

m. 641—155.14(125) Judicial review.

n. 641—155.15(125) Reissuance or reinstatement.

o. 641—155.16(125) Complaints.

p. 641—155.17 Reserved.

q. 641—155.18(125) Deemed status.

r. 641—155.19(125) Funding.

s. 641—155.20(125) Inspection.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 125.13.

**641—155.26 to 155.34** Reserved.

**641—155.35(125) Specific standards for opioid treatment programs.** All programs that use methadone or other medications approved by the Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) and the state of Iowa for use in the treatment of opioid addiction shall comply with this rule and Part II, Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 42 CFR Part 8, Opioid Drugs in Maintenance and Detoxification Treatment of Opiate Addiction, effective May 18, 2001.

**155.35(1) Definitions.**

*“Accredited opioid treatment program”* means an opioid treatment program that is the subject of a current, valid accreditation from an accreditation body approved by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

*“Certification”* means the process by which SAMHSA determines that an opioid treatment program is qualified to provide opioid treatment under the federal opioid treatment standards.

*“Certification application”* means the application filed by an opioid treatment program for purposes of obtaining certification from SAMHSA.

*“Certified opioid treatment program”* means an opioid treatment program that is the subject of a current, valid certification.

*“Comprehensive maintenance treatment”* means maintenance treatment provided in conjunction with a comprehensive range of appropriate medical and rehabilitative services.

*“Detoxification treatment”* means the dispensing of an opioid agonist treatment medication in decreasing doses to an individual to alleviate adverse physical or psychological effects incident to withdrawal from the continuous or sustained use of an opioid drug and as a method of bringing the individual to a drug-free state within such a period.

*“Interim maintenance treatment”* means detoxification treatment for a period of more than 30 days but not in excess of 180 days.

*“Maintenance treatment”* means the dispensing of an opioid agonist treatment medication at stable dosage levels for a period in excess of 21 days in the treatment of an individual for opioid addiction.

*“Medical and rehabilitative services”* means services such as medical evaluations, counseling, and rehabilitative and other social programs (e.g., vocational and educational guidance, employment placement) that are intended to help patients in opioid treatment programs become or remain productive members of society.

*“Medical director”* means a physician who is licensed to practice medicine in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A and who assumes responsibility for administering all medical services performed by the program, either by performing them directly or by delegating specific responsibility to authorized program physicians and health care professionals functioning under the medical director’s direct supervision.

*“Medication unit”* means a facility established as part of, but geographically separate from, an opioid treatment program from which licensed private practitioners or community pharmacists dispense or administer opioid agonist treatment medications or collect samples for drug testing or analysis.

*“Opiate addiction”* means a cluster of cognitive, behavioral, and physiological symptoms in which the individual continues use of opiates despite significant opiate-induced problems. Opiate dependence is characterized by an individual’s repeated self-administration of opiates that usually results in opiate tolerance, withdrawal symptoms, and compulsive drug-taking. Dependency may occur with or without the physiological symptoms of tolerance and withdrawal.

*“Opioid agonist treatment medication”* means any opioid agonist drug that is approved by the Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) for use in the treatment of opiate addiction.

“*Opioid drug*” means any drug having an addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability similar to morphine or being capable of conversion into a drug having such addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability.

“*Opioid treatment*” means the dispensing of an opioid agonist treatment medication, along with a comprehensive range of medical and rehabilitative services, when clinically necessary, to an individual to alleviate the adverse medical, psychological, or physical effects incident to opiate addiction. This term encompasses detoxification treatment, short-term detoxification treatment, long-term detoxification treatment, maintenance treatment, comprehensive maintenance treatment, and interim maintenance treatment.

“*Opioid treatment program*” or “*OTP*” means a program or practitioner engaged in opioid treatment or interim maintenance treatment.

“*Patient*” or “*client/patient*” means any individual who undergoes treatment in an opioid treatment program.

“*Program sponsor*” means the person responsible for the operation of the opioid treatment program and who assumes responsibility for all its employees, including any practitioners, agents, or other persons providing medical, rehabilitative, or counseling services at the program or any of its medication units. The program sponsor need not be a licensed physician but shall employ a licensed physician for the position of medical director.

“*Short-term detoxification treatment*” means detoxification treatment for a period not in excess of 30 days.

“*State authority*” means the Iowa department of public health, division of behavioral health and professional licensure, which regulates the treatment of opiate addiction with opioid drugs.

“*Treatment plan*” means a plan that outlines for each patient attainable short-term treatment goals that are mutually acceptable to the patient and the opioid treatment program and that specifies the services to be provided and the frequency and schedule for their provision.

**155.35(2) Required approvals.** All opioid treatment programs shall be licensed or approved by the board and shall maintain all other approvals required by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the Iowa board of pharmacy examiners in order to provide services.

**155.35(3) Central registry system.** To prevent simultaneous enrollment of a client/patient in more than one program, all opioid treatment programs shall participate in a central registry as established by the division.

Prior to admission of an applicant to an opioid treatment program, the program shall submit to the registry the applicant’s name, birth date, and date of intended admission, and any other information required for the clearance procedure. No person shall be admitted to a program who is found by the registry to be participating in another such program. All opioid treatment programs shall report all admissions, discharges, and transfers to the registry immediately. All information reported to the registry from the programs and all information reported to the programs from the registry shall be treated as confidential in accordance with “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records” regulations, 42 CFR Part 2, effective June 9, 1987.

*a. Definitions.* For purposes of this subrule:

“*Central registry*” means the system through which the Iowa department of public health, division of behavioral health and professional licensure, obtains client/patient identifying information about individuals applying for maintenance or detoxification treatment for the purpose of preventing an individual’s concurrent enrollment in more than one such program.

“*Opioid treatment program*” means a detoxification or maintenance treatment program which is required to report client/patient identifying information to the central registry, and which is located in the state.

*b. Restrictions on disclosure.* A program may disclose client/patient identifying information to a central registry for the purpose of preventing multiple enrollment of a client/patient only if:

(1) The disclosure is made when:

1. The client/patient is admitted for treatment; or

2. The treatment is interrupted, resumed or terminated.

(2) The disclosure is limited to:

1. Client/patient identifying information; and
2. Relevant dates of admission.

(3) The program shall inform the client/patient of the required disclosure prior to admission.

*c. Use of information limited to prevention of multiple enrollments.* Any information disclosed to the central registry to prevent multiple enrollments may not be redisclosed by the registry or such information used for any other purpose than the prevention of multiple enrollments unless so authorized by court order in accordance with 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987.

*d. Permitted disclosure by the central registry to prevent a multiple enrollment.* If a program petitions the central registry, and an identified client/patient is enrolled in another program, the registry may disclose:

(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the program in which the client/patient is currently enrolled to the inquiring program; and

(2) The name, address, and telephone number of the inquiring program to the program in which the client/patient is currently enrolled. The programs may communicate as necessary to verify that no error has been made and to prevent or eliminate any multiple enrollment.

**155.35(4) Admission requirements.**

*a.* Prior to or at the time of a client/patient's admission to an opioid treatment program, the program shall conduct a comprehensive assessment so as to determine appropriateness for admission.

*b.* The program shall verify, to the extent possible, the client/patient's name, address, and date of birth.

*c.* The program physician shall determine and document in the client/patient's record that the client/patient is physiologically dependent on narcotic substances and has been so dependent for at least one year prior to admission. A one-year history of addiction means that the client/patient was physiologically dependent on a narcotic at a time one year before admission to a program and was addicted for most of the year preceding admission.

(1) When physiological addiction cannot be clearly documented, the program physician or an appropriately trained staff member designated and supervised by the physician shall record in the client/patient's record the criteria used to determine the client/patient's current physiologic dependence and history of addiction. In the latter circumstance, the program physician shall review, date, and countersign the supervised staff member's evaluation to demonstrate the physician's agreement with the evaluation. The program physician shall make the final determination concerning a client/patient's physiologic dependence and history of addiction. The program physician also shall sign, date, and record a statement that the physician has reviewed all the documented evidence to support a one-year history of addiction and the current physiologic dependence and that in the physician's reasonable clinical judgment the client/patient fulfills the requirements for admission to maintenance treatment. Before the program administers any medication to the client/patient, the program physician shall complete and record the statement documenting addiction and current physiologic dependence.

(2) When a client/patient has voluntarily left an opioid treatment program in good standing and seeks readmission within two years of discharge, the program shall document the following information:

1. Prior opioid treatment of six months or more; and

2. The program physician shall enter in the client/patient's record that in the physician's medical judgment treatment is warranted.

*d.* The program shall collect a drug screening sample for analysis. Where dependence is substantially verified through other indicators, a negative drug screen will not necessarily preclude admission to the program.

*e.* Prior to admission, the program shall confirm with the central registry that the client/patient is not currently enrolled in another opioid treatment program.

*f.* If a potential client/patient has previously been enrolled in another program, the admitting program shall request from the previous program a copy of the client/patient's assessment data, treatment

plan, and discharge summary including the type of or reason for discharge. All programs subject to these rules shall promptly respond to such a request upon receipt of a valid release of information.

g. A person under the age of 18 is required to have had two documented attempts at short-term detoxification or drug-free treatment to be eligible for maintenance treatment. A one-week waiting period is required after such a detoxification attempt, however, before an attempt is repeated. The program physician shall document in the client/patient's record that the client/patient continues to be, or is again, physiologically dependent on narcotic drugs.

h. Program staff shall ensure that a client/patient is voluntarily participating in the program, and the client/patient shall sign a Consent to Treatment Form.

i. Pregnant client/patients may be admitted to opioid treatment with the following provisions:

(1) Evidence of current physiological dependency is not needed if the program physician certifies the pregnancy and, in the physician's reasonable judgment, finds treatment to be justified. Documentation of all findings and justifications for admission shall be documented in the client/patient's record by the program physician prior to the initial dose of methadone.

(2) Pregnant client/patients shall be offered comprehensive prenatal care. If the program cannot provide prenatal services, the program shall assist the client/patient in obtaining such services and shall coordinate ongoing care with the collateral provider.

(3) The program physician shall document that the client/patient has been informed of the possible risks to the unborn child from the use of medication and the risks of continued use of illicit substances.

(4) Should a program have a waiting list for admission to the program, pregnant client/patients shall be given priority.

**155.35(5) Placement, admission and assessment.** The program shall have written criteria for considering an individual for placement and admission. In addition, the program shall maintain current procedures to ensure that patients are admitted to maintenance treatment by qualified staff who have determined by using accepted medical criteria such as those outlined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual for Mental Disorders (DSM IV) that the person is currently addicted to an opioid drug.

a. The program shall have written policies and procedures governing a uniform process that defines:

- (1) The types of information to be gathered on all individuals upon admission;
- (2) Procedures to be followed when accepting referrals from outside agencies or organizations;
- (3) The types of records to be kept on all individuals applying for services.

b. The client/patient assessment (psychosocial history) shall be an analysis and synthesis of the client/patient's status, and shall address the client/patient's strengths, problems, and areas of clinical concern.

It shall be developed within the period of time between admission and the first review date specified for that particular level of care within the continued stay review process. This initial assessment upon admission to treatment services is an expansion of information on the six categories contained within the placement screening document.

c. When an individual refuses to divulge information or to follow the recommended course of treatment, this refusal shall be noted in the case record.

d. At the time of admission, documentation shall be made that the individual has been informed of:

- (1) General nature and goals of the program;
- (2) Rules governing client/patient conduct and infractions that can lead to disciplinary action or discharge from the program;
- (3) The hours during which the services are available;
- (4) Treatment costs, if any, to be borne by the client/patient;
- (5) Client/patient rights and responsibilities;
- (6) Confidentiality laws, rules and regulations; and
- (7) Information on preventing exposure to and transmission of human immunodeficiency virus.

e. Sufficient information shall be collected during the admission process so that the assessment process allows for the development of a complete assessment of the client/patient's status and a comprehensive plan of treatment can be developed.

f. The results of the screening and admission process shall be clearly explained to the client/patient, and to the client/patient's family when appropriate. This shall be documented in the client/patient record.

g. The program physician or designee, who is a qualified medical professional, shall complete a medical evaluation and a current psychological/mental status evaluation of the client/patient prior to the administration of the initial dose of medication. If the history and current psychological/mental status evaluation is completed by an individual other than the program physician, the program shall document in the client/patient's case record that this information was reviewed by the program physician prior to the initial dosage of medication. The medical evaluation shall include but not be limited to:

- (1) A complete medical history;
- (2) An assessment of the client/patient's current psychological and mental status;
- (3) A physical examination including examination for:
  1. Pulmonary, liver, or cardiac abnormalities;
  2. Infectious disease; and
  3. Dermatologic sequela of addiction.
- (4) Laboratory tests including:
  1. Serological test for syphilis; and
  2. Urine screening for drugs.
- (5) Intradermal PPD (tuberculosis skin test) and review of tetanus immunization status; and
- (6) When indicated, an EKG, chest X-ray, pap smear, pregnancy test, sickle cell screening, complete blood count and white cell differential, multiphasic chemistry profile, routine and microscopic urinalysis, or other tests indicated by the client/patient's condition.

**155.35(6) Treatment plans.** Based upon the initial assessment, an individualized written treatment plan shall be developed and recorded in the client/patient's case record.

a. A treatment plan shall be developed and shall delineate the client/patient's immediate needs and actions required to meet these needs.

b. The treatment plan shall be developed as soon after the client/patient's admission as is clinically feasible, but no later than 30 days following admission to an outpatient opioid maintenance treatment program.

c. The individualized treatment plan shall minimally contain:

- (1) A clear and concise statement of client/patient's current strengths and needs;
- (2) Clear and concise statements of the short- and long-term goals the client/patient will be attempting to achieve;
- (3) Type and frequency of therapeutic activities in which the client/patient will be participating;
- (4) The staff person(s) to be responsible for the client/patient's treatment; and
- (5) The specific criteria to be met for successful completion of treatment.

d. Treatment plans shall be developed in partnership with the client/patient. Comprehensive treatment plans shall be reviewed by the primary counselor and the client/patient as often as necessary, but no less than every 90 days during the first year and semiannually each subsequent year for opioid treatment modalities. Treatment plans shall be reviewed by the program physician on an annual basis.

e. The reviews shall consist of a reassessment of the client/patient's current status to include accomplishments and needs and a redefining of treatment goals when appropriate. The date of the review and any change, as well as the individuals involved in the review, shall also be recorded.

f. The use of abstract terms, jargon, or slang should be avoided in the treatment plan, and the plan should be written in a manner readily understandable to the average client/patient. The program shall provide the client/patient with copies of all treatment plans upon request.

g. Treatment plans shall be culturally and environmentally specific so as to meet the needs of the client/patient. Treatment plans shall be written in a manner readily understandable to the average person or with assistance available to illiterate, handicapped, or mentally impaired client/patients.

**155.35(7) Progress notes.** A client/patient's progress and current status in meeting the goals set in the treatment plan, as well as efforts by staff members to help the client/patient achieve these stated goals, shall be recorded in the client/patient's case record. Such information will be noted following each individual counseling session. Group therapy progress notes shall be recorded following each session or summarized at least weekly.

*a.* Entries shall be filed in chronological order and shall include the date services were provided or observations made, the date the entry was made, the signature or initials and staff title of the individual rendering the services. All progress notes shall be entered into the client/patient case record in permanent pen, typewriter, or by computer.

*b.* All entries that involve subjective interpretations of a client/patient's progress should be supplemented with a description of the actual behavioral observations which were the basis for the interpretation.

*c.* The use of abstract terms, jargon, or slang should be avoided in progress notes.

*d.* If a client/patient is receiving services from an outside resource, the program shall attempt to secure a written copy of status reports and other client/patient records from that resource.

*e.* The program shall develop a uniform progress notes format to be used by all clinical staff.

**155.35(8) Rehabilitative services.** The program shall have policies and procedures on the minimum attendance for rehabilitative services relative to the client/patient's progress and length of involvement in treatment. The minimum frequency of rehabilitative services shall occur at the same frequency of on-site dosing for client/patients receiving more than two take-home dosages a week in the first year. The minimum frequency for rehabilitative services for client/patients receiving two or fewer take-home dosages shall be weekly. The program shall provide rehabilitative services that are appropriate for the client/patient based on needs identified during the assessment process. The program may provide rehabilitative services through collateral agreements with other service providers. A client/patient who does not comply with the program's rehabilitative service requirements shall be placed on a period of probation as defined by the program, or be required to immediately increase the frequency of clinic attendance for medication and rehabilitative services. If, during a period of probation, the client/patient continues to be in noncompliance with rehabilitation services, the program shall continue to increase the attendance requirement until daily attendance is obtained or the client/patient complies with rehabilitative services. This requirement shall not preclude the program's ability to determine that discharge of a client/patient is warranted for therapeutic reasons or program needs.

**155.35(9) Medication dispensing.**

*a.* The program physician shall determine the client/patient's initial and subsequent dose of medication and clinic dosing schedule and shall assume responsibility for the amount of the narcotic drug administered or dispensed and shall record, date, and sign in each client/patient's case record each change in the dosage schedule. The physician shall directly communicate orders to the pharmacy or registered or licensed personnel supervising medication dispensing. The program physician may communicate such orders verbally; however, orders shall be reduced in writing and countersigned within 72 hours by the program physician.

*b.* The initial dose of medication shall not exceed 30 milligrams, and the total dose for the first day shall not exceed 40 milligrams, unless the program physician documents in the client/patient's case record that 40 milligrams did not suppress opiate abstinence symptoms. A client/patient transferring into the program or on a guest-dosing status may receive an initial dosage of no more than the last daily dosage authorized by the former or primary program.

(1) Medication shall be administered by a professional authorized by law.

(2) No medication shall be administered unless the client/patient has completed admission procedures, unless the client/patient enters the program on a weekend and the central registry cannot be contacted. If, in the clinical judgment of the program physician, a client/patient is experiencing an emergency situation, the admission procedures may be completed on the following workday.

*c.* Administration.

(1) Take-home medication shall be labeled in accordance with state and federal law and have childproof caps.

(2) A dispensing log shall be kept in the dispensing area and in the client/patient case records which shall document the amount of medication dispensed and include the signature of the staff member authorized to dispense the medication. No dose shall be dispensed until the client/patient has been positively identified and the dosage amount is compared with the currently ordered and documented dosage level.

(3) Ingestion shall be observed and verified by the staff person authorized to dispense the medication.

(4) The program physician shall record, date, and sign in each client/patient's case record each change in the dosage schedule. Daily dosages of medications in excess of 100 milligrams shall be dispensed only with the approval of the program physician and shall be documented and justified in the client/patient's case record.

**155.35(10) *Take-home or unsupervised medication use.***

a. Take-home medication may be given to client/patients who demonstrate a need for a more flexible schedule in order to enhance and continue rehabilitative progress. For client/patients receiving take-home medication, the program shall document the following requirements:

(1) Absence of recent abuse of drugs (narcotic or nonnarcotic), including alcohol;

(2) Regular attendance at the clinic;

(3) Attendance at a licensed or approved treatment program for rehabilitative services (e.g., programs are considered approved when licensed or approved in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 125);

(4) Absence of recent criminal activity;

(5) Stable home environment and social relationships;

(6) Active employment or participation in school, or similar responsible activities related to employment, education or vocation; and

(7) Assurance that medication can be safely transported and stored by the client/patient for the client/patient's own use.

b. Prior to granting take-home privileges, the program physician shall document in the client/patient's case record that all the above criteria have been considered and that, in the physician's professional judgment, the risk of diversion or abuse is outweighed by the rehabilitative benefits to be derived.

c. If the client/patient meets the above criteria, the client/patient may receive take-home medication according to the following guidelines:

(1) During the first 90 days of treatment, the take-home supply is limited to a single dose each week;

(2) During the second 90 days of treatment, the take-home supply is limited to two doses per week;

(3) In the remaining months of the first year, a patient may be given a maximum six-day supply of take-home medication;

(4) After one year of continuous treatment, a patient may be given a maximum two-week supply of take-home medication;

(5) After two years of continuous treatment, a patient may be given a maximum one-month supply of take-home medication; and

(6) Take-home medication shall not be dispensed to patients in interim maintenance treatment or detoxification.

d. If a client/patient is unable to conform to the applicable mandatory schedule, a revised schedule may be permitted provided the program receives an exception to these rules from the division and SAMHSA, when applicable. A copy of the written exception shall be placed in the client/patient's case record. The division will consider exceptions only in unusual circumstances. When a program is applying for less frequent pickups for client/patients, approval will be based on considerations in addition to distance when another program exists within 25 miles of the client/patient's residence.

e. Should a patient receiving take-home medication provide a drug screen that is confirmed either positive for substances or negative for the prescribed medication, the program shall ensure that when test results are used, presumptive laboratory results are distinguished from results that are definitive.



(1) The program physician shall place the client/patient on three months' probation, as defined by the program, or increase the client/patient's frequency of clinic dosing after considering the client/patient's overall progress and length of involvement in the program.

(2) Should the client/patient provide a drug screen that is positive for substances or negative for medication during a period of probation, the program physician shall increase the client/patient's frequency of clinic attendance for dosage pickup for at least three months. If after the three-month period the client/patient meets the eligibility criteria, the client/patient may return to the previous take-home schedule.

*f.* Take-home or unsupervised dosages of medication in excess of 100 milligrams may be dispensed by the program physician when the need for those dosages is carefully reviewed and considered and justified in the client/patient's case record based on the physician's clinical judgment.

**155.35(11) Drug testing.** Each program shall establish policies and procedures for the collection of drug-screening specimens and utilization of results.

*a.* The program shall ensure that an initial drug-screening test or analysis is completed for each prospective client/patient and that at least eight additional random tests or analyses are performed on each client/patient during the first year in maintenance treatment and that at least quarterly random tests or analyses are performed on each client/patient in maintenance treatment for each subsequent year. When a sample is collected from each client/patient for such a test or analysis, it shall be done in a manner that minimizes opportunity for falsification. Each test or analysis shall be analyzed for opiates, methadone, amphetamines, cocaine, and barbiturates. In addition, if any other drug or drugs have been determined by a program to be abused in that program's locality, or as otherwise indicated, each test or analysis must be analyzed for any of those drugs as well. Any laboratory that performs the testing required under this rule shall be in compliance with all applicable federal proficiency testing and licensing standards and all applicable state standards.

*b.* The program shall ensure that test results are not used as the sole criterion to force a client/patient out of treatment but are used as a guide to change treatment approaches. The program shall also ensure that when test results are used, presumptive laboratory results are distinguished from results that are definitive.

**155.35(12) Client/patient case records.** The program shall have written policies and procedures governing the compilation, storage and dissemination of individual client/patient case records.

*a.* These policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) The program exercises its responsibility for safeguarding and protecting the client/patient case records against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure of information;

(2) Content and format of client/patient case records are kept uniform; and

(3) Entries in the client/patient case record are signed and dated.

*b.* The program shall provide adequate physical facilities for the storage, processing, and handling of client/patient case records. These facilities shall include suitably locked, secured rooms or file cabinets.

*c.* Appropriate records shall be readily accessible to those staff members providing services directly to the client/patient and other individuals specifically authorized by program policy. Records should be kept in proximity to the area in which the client/patient normally receives services.

*d.* The program shall have a written policy governing the disposal and maintenance of client/patient case records. Client/patient case records shall be maintained for not less than seven years from the date they are officially closed.

*e.* Confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client/patient case records. The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client/patient case records maintained by a program is protected by the "Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records" regulations 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 applicable to alcohol abuse client/patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 applicable to drug abuse client/patient records. The program is precluded from identifying that a client/patient attends the program or disclosing any information identifying a client/patient as an alcohol or drug abuser unless:

(1) The client/patient consents in writing;

- (2) The disclosure is allowed by a court order;
- (3) The disclosure is made to medical personnel in a medical emergency; or
- (4) The disclosure is required by law.

**155.35(13) *Diversion prevention plan.***

*a.* The program shall develop a diversion identification and prevention plan that:

- (1) Outlines methods by which the program shall detect possible diversion of take-home medication; and
- (2) Actions to be taken when diversion is identified or suspected.

*b.* The program shall establish and implement proactive procedures to reduce the likelihood or possibility of diversion.

**155.35(14) *Quality improvement.*** The program shall have an ongoing quality improvement process designed to objectively and systematically monitor and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of client/patient care, pursue opportunities to improve client/patient care, and resolve identified problems. Quality improvement efforts shall be facilitywide in scope and include review of clinical and professional services.

*a.* The program shall have a written plan for a quality improvement process. The written plan shall describe the objectives, organization, scope, and mechanisms for overseeing the effectiveness of monitoring, evaluation, and problem-solving activities.

*b.* The program shall establish written policies and procedures to describe and document the quality improvement process, including the monitoring and evaluation activities of the program. The policies and procedures shall ensure that:

- (1) Information is collected or screened by a designated individual, individuals, or committee. Quality improvement activities may be contracted through all outside resources;
- (2) Objective criteria are utilized in the development and application of criteria relating to the care or service the program provides; and
- (3) Objective criteria are utilized in the evaluation of the information collected in order to identify important problems in, or opportunities to improve, client/patient care and clinical performance.

*c.* The program shall document that the quality of client/patient care is improved and identified problems are resolved through appropriate actions taken by the program's administrative and supervisory staff and through professional staff functions.

*d.* Necessary information shall be communicated among program components, modalities, or services when problems or opportunities to improve client/patient care involve more than one program component or service.

*e.* The program shall ensure that the status of identified problems is tracked to ensure improvement or resolution.

*f.* The program shall ensure that information from program components or services and the findings of discrete quality improvement activities are used to detect trends, patterns of performance, and potential problems that affect more than one program component or service.

*g.* The objectives, scope, organization, and effectiveness of the quality improvement process are evaluated at least annually and revised as necessary.

**155.35(15) *Interim maintenance treatment.***

*a.* An approved program may offer interim maintenance treatment when, due to capacity, the program cannot place the client/patient in a program offering comprehensive services within 14 days of the client/patient's application for admission.

*b.* An approved program may provide interim maintenance treatment only if the program also provides comprehensive maintenance treatment to which interim maintenance treatment client/patients may be transferred.

*c.* Interim maintenance treatment program approval. Before a public or nonprofit private narcotic treatment program may provide interim maintenance treatment, the program must receive approval of both the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the division of behavioral health and professional licensure and:

(1) The program director must certify that the program seeking such authorization is unable to place client/patients in a public or private nonprofit program within a reasonable geographic area within 14 days of the client/patient's application for admission; and

(2) That interim maintenance treatment will not reduce the capacity of the program's comprehensive maintenance treatment.

(3) Client/patients admitted to interim maintenance treatment shall be transferred to comprehensive maintenance treatment within 120 days of admission.

*d.* Minimum standards for interim maintenance treatment. The program may admit a client/patient who is eligible for comprehensive maintenance treatment to interim maintenance treatment if the client/patient cannot be placed in a public or private nonprofit comprehensive program within a reasonable geographic area and within 14 days of application for services. An initial drug screen, and at least two others, shall be taken from the client/patient during the maximum admission period of 120 days. A program shall establish and follow reasonable criteria for determining the transfer of client/patients to comprehensive maintenance treatment. These transfer criteria shall be in writing, available for inspection, and shall include at a minimum a preference for the transfer of pregnant client/patients. Interim maintenance shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable federal regulations and state rules. The program shall notify the division when a client/patient begins interim treatment; when a client/patient leaves interim treatment, and when a client/patient transfers to comprehensive maintenance treatment. Such notifications shall be documented by the program in the client/patient's case record. All requirements for comprehensive maintenance treatment apply to interim maintenance treatment with the following exceptions:

(1) The medication is required to be administered daily under observation;

(2) Take-home medication is not allowed;

(3) Initial and comprehensive treatment plans are not required;

(4) A primary counselor is not required to be assigned to the client/patient; and

(5) Interim maintenance cannot be provided for longer than 120 days in any 12-month period.

**155.35(16)** *Complaints, investigations, suspension and revocation.* The rules relating to complaints, investigation, suspension and revocation as outlined in 641—155.11(125) through 155.17(125) shall apply to opioid treatment programs.

**155.35(17)** *Deemed status.* The board shall grant deemed status to programs accredited either by a recognized national or not-for-profit accreditation body when the board determines that the accreditation is for the same services.

*a.* National accreditation bodies. The national accreditation bodies currently recognized as meeting board criteria for possible deemed status are:

(1) Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO).

(2) Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

(3) Council on Accreditation of Children and Family Services (COA).

(4) American Osteopathic Association (AOA).

*b.* Credentials and expectations of accreditation bodies.

(1) The accreditation credentials of the bodies shall specify the types of organizations, programs, and services the bodies accredit and targeted population groups, if appropriate.

(2) Deemed status means that the board and division shall recognize, in lieu of their own review, an outside body's review, assessment and accreditation of a hospital-based or freestanding community-based substance abuse program's operations, functioning, and services that correspond to those described in this chapter.

*c.* Responsibilities of programs granted deemed status.

(1) When a program receives accreditation and is then granted licensure through deemed status, the program shall continue to be responsible for meeting all requirements in accordance with this chapter and all applicable laws and regulations.

(2) If a program that is nationally accredited requests deemed status for services not covered by the national accreditation body's standards, but covered by this chapter, the licensing for those services shall be conducted by the division.

(3) Copies of the entire CARF, JCAHO, COA or AOA behavioral health accreditation survey/inspection report and certificate of accreditation shall be submitted to the division with the application for deemed status provided by the division.

(4) The program shall submit to the division accreditation corrective plans or written conditions to accreditation.

(5) The program shall be currently accredited by a board-approved national accreditation body for services that are outlined in this chapter.

(6) The program shall advise the division of any changes in the program's accreditation status, address, executive director/CEO, facility locations, or any other changes to the program/organization within 30 days of such changes.

(7) All survey reports for the hospital-based or freestanding community-based substance abuse treatment program from the accrediting or licensing body shall be sent to the division.

(8) For a program granted deemed status, the period of deemed status shall coincide with the period of time that program is awarded accreditation by the national accreditation body. However, under no circumstances shall it be longer than three years.

*d.* The board and division shall retain the following responsibilities and rights when deemed status is granted to program/organizations:

(1) The division may conduct focused or general on-site follow-up visits as determined appropriate.

(2) The division shall investigate all complaints that are under the authority of this chapter and recommend and require corrective action or other sanctions in accordance with 641—155.16(125). All complaints, findings and required corrective action may be reported to the accreditation body.

(3) The board shall review and act upon deemed status if necessary when complaints have been founded, when national accreditation bodies find instances of noncompliance with accreditation, when the accreditation status of the program expires without renewal, when the program's accreditation status is downgraded or withdrawn by the accreditation body, or when focused reviews find instances of noncompliance.

*e.* Continuation of deemed status. The program shall submit a copy of all CARF, JCAHO, COA or AOA behavioral health accreditation survey reports to the division.

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CHAPTER 156  
LICENSURE STANDARDS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS  
IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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**641—156.1(125) Definitions.** Unless otherwise indicated, the following definitions shall apply to the specific terms used in these rules:

“*Admissions*” means the point in an inmate’s relationship with the program at which the screening process has been completed and the inmate is to receive treatment services.

“*Affiliation agreement*” means a written agreement between the governing authority of the program and another organization under the terms of which specified services, space or personnel are provided to one organization by the other, but without exchange of moneys.

“*Applicant*” means any substance abuse treatment program which has applied for a license or renewal.

“*Application*” means the process through which a substance abuse treatment program applies for a license or renewal as outlined in the application procedures.

“*Assessment*” means the process of evaluating an inmate’s strengths, weaknesses, problems, current status, and needs so that a treatment plan can be developed.

“*Board*” means the state board of health created pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 136.

“*Case management*” means the process of using predefined criteria to evaluate the necessity and appropriateness of client/patient care.

“*Chemical dependency*” means alcohol or drug dependence or psychoactive substance use disorder as defined by the criteria in the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM IV), or by other standardized and widely accepted criteria.

“*Chemical dependency rehabilitation services*” means those inmate or group services that are directly related to chemical dependency or the inmate treatment plan. These services may include inmate, group, and family counseling; educational services; curriculum-based therapeutic approaches; self-help groups; and structured recreational activities. These services do not include active employment or education courses beyond the secondary level.

“*Chemical substance*” means alcohol, wine, spirits, and beer as defined in Iowa Code chapter 123 and controlled substances as defined in Iowa Code section 124.101.

“*Concerned person*” means an inmate who is receiving treatment services due to problems arising from the person’s involvement or association with a correctional substance abuser or chemically dependent inmate or client/patient, and is negatively affected by the behavior of the substance abuser, chemically dependent inmate, or client/patient.

“*Continuing care*” means providing a specific period of structured therapeutic involvement designed to enhance, facilitate and promote transition from primary treatment to ongoing recovery.

“*Continuum of care/treatment*” means a structure of interlinked treatment modalities and services designed so that an inmate’s changing needs will be met as that inmate moves through the treatment and recovery process.

“*Contract*” means a formal legal document adopted by the governing authority of the program and any other organization, agency, or individual that specifies services, personnel, or space to be provided to the program as well as the moneys to be expended in the exchange.

“*Correctional substance abuse treatment facilities*” means those correctional specialized unit facilities and OWI programs that provide 24-hour, live-in, seven-days-a-week substance abuse treatment services.

“*Counselor*” means an individual who, by virtue of education, training, or experience, provides treatment, which includes advice, opinion, or instruction, to an inmate or in a group setting to allow an opportunity for an inmate to explore the inmate’s problems related directly or indirectly to substance abuse or dependence.

*“Culturally and environmentally specific”* means integrating into the assessment and treatment process the ideas, customs, beliefs, and skills of a given population, as well as an acceptance, awareness, and celebration of diversity regarding conditions, circumstances, and influences surrounding and affecting the development of an inmate or group.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Designee”* means the staff person or counselor who is delegated tasks, duties and responsibilities normally performed by the treatment supervisor, treatment director or executive director.

*“Detoxification”* means the withdrawal of an inmate from a physiologically addicting substance.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Discharge criteria”* means criteria to be considered when determining appropriateness of discharge or referral to a different level of treatment.

*“Discharge planning”* means the process, begun at admission, of determining a client/patient’s continued need for treatment services and of developing a plan to address ongoing client/patient posttreatment needs. Discharge planning may or may not include a document identified as a discharge plan.

*“Division”* means the division of behavioral health and professional licensure.

*“Extended residential program”* means a designated unit for substance abuse treatment that is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There is a structured daily schedule. Treatment services total a minimum of 20 hours a week for no less than four months, unless the primary residential program is two months or longer.

*“Facility”* means a hospital, correctional institution, a program located in a judicial district, or detoxification center, or installation providing care, maintenance, and treatment for substance abusers and licensed by the department under Iowa Code section 125.13.

*“Follow-up”* means the process for determining the status of an inmate who has been referred to an outside resource for services or who has been discharged from the program.

*“Governing body”* means the individual(s), group, or agency that has ultimate authority and responsibility for the overall operation of the facility.

*“Inmate”* means a person confined in a correctional institution or under the supervision of the department of corrections or a judicial district department of correctional services as a result of a conviction of a public offense.

*“Intake”* means the process of collecting and assessing information to determine the appropriateness of admitting or retaining an inmate in a substance abuse treatment program.

*“Iowa board of substance abuse certification”* means the professional certification board that certifies substance abuse counselors and prevention specialists in the state of Iowa.

*“Licensee”* means any program licensed by the department.

*“Licensure”* means the issuance of a license by the department upon due process by the board which validates the licensee’s compliance with substance abuse standards and authorizes the licensee to operate a substance abuse treatment program in the state of Iowa.

*“Licensure weighting report”* means the report that is used to determine the type of license for which a program qualifies based on point values assigned to areas reviewed and total number of points attained. In addition, a minimum percent value in each of three categories shall be attained to qualify a program for a license as follows: 95 percent or better rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a three-year license; 90 percent or better rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a two-year license; or less than 90 percent but no less than 70 percent rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a one-year license.

*“May,”* in the interpretation of a standard, means an acceptable method that is recognized but not necessarily preferred.

*“Outpatient program”* means substance abuse services totaling a minimum of ten hours per week for no less than three months that are not assigned to a designated unit.

*“Primary residential program”* means a designated unit for substance abuse treatment that is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There is a structured daily schedule. Treatment services total a minimum of 30 hours per week for no less than one month.



*“Program”* means any partnership, corporation, association, correctional facility, governmental subdivision, or public or private organization.

*“Protected classes”* means classes of people who have required special legislation to ensure equality.

*“Quality improvement”* means the process of objectively and systematically monitoring and evaluating the quality and appropriateness of client/patient care to improve client/patient care and resolve identified problems.

*“Referral agreement”* means a written document defining a relationship between the program and an outside resource for the provision of inmate services that are not available within the substance abuse treatment program.

*“Rehabilitation”* means assisting an inmate to attain the fullest physical, mental, social, vocational, and economic usefulness within the inmate’s own capabilities. Rehabilitation may include, but is not limited to, medical treatment, psychological therapy, occupational training, job counseling, prosocial behavioral change and domestic rehabilitation/habilitation, and education.

*“Relapse”* means progressively irresponsible, inappropriate and dysfunctional or criminal behavior patterns that could lead to resumption of alcohol or drug use. “Relapse” also refers to the resumption of alcohol or drug use.

*“Rule”* means each statement of general applicability that implements, interprets, or prescribes department law or policy, or that describes the organization, procedure or practice requirements of the department. The term includes the amendment or repeal of existing rules as specified in the Iowa Administrative Code.

*“Screening”* means the process by which a client/patient is determined to be appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular program. The focus is on the minimum criteria necessary for appropriateness/eligibility.

*“Shall,”* in the interpretation of a standard, means a mandatory statement; that is, the only acceptable method under the present standards.

*“Should,”* in the interpretation of a standard, means the commonly accepted method, yet allows for the use of effective alternatives.

*“Staff”* means any individual who provides services to the program on a regular basis as a paid employee, agent, or consultant or as a volunteer.

*“Standards”* means specifications that represent the minimum criteria of a substance abuse treatment program which are acceptable for the issuance of a license.

*“Substance abuser”* means an inmate who habitually lacks self-control as to the use of chemical substances or uses chemical substances to the extent that the inmate’s health is substantially impaired or endangered or that the inmate’s social or economic function is substantially disrupted.

*“Treatment”* means the broad range of planned and continuing inpatient, outpatient, and residential care services, including diagnostic evaluation, counseling, and medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social service care which may be extended to substance abusers, concerned persons, concerned family members or significant others, and which is geared toward influencing the inmate’s behavior to achieve a state of rehabilitation.

*“Treatment days”* means days in which the treatment program is open for services or actual working days.

*“Treatment plan”* means a written plan which specifies the goals, activities, and services determined through process of assessment to be appropriate to meet the objective needs of the inmate.

*“Treatment planning”* means the process by which a counselor and client/patient identify and rank problems, establish agreed-upon goals, and decide on the treatment process and resources to be utilized.

*“Treatment supervisor”* means an individual who, by virtue of education, training, or experience, is capable of assessing the psychosocial history of a substance abuser to determine the treatment plan most appropriate for the inmate. This individual shall be designated by the applicant.

**641—156.2(125) Inspection.** Upon approval of the warden/superintendent or district director, each applicant or licensee shall agree as a condition of license to permit properly designated representatives of the department to enter into and inspect any and all premises of facilities for which a license has been

either applied or issued to verify information contained in the application or to ensure compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations during all hours of operation of the facility and at any other reasonable hour. Further, each licensee shall agree to permit properly designated representatives of the department to audit and collect statistical data from all records maintained by the licensee. Right of entry and inspection shall, under due process of law, extend to any premises on which the department has reason to believe a program is being operated in violation of these rules. A facility shall not be licensed which does not permit inspection by the department or examination of all records, including financial records, methods of administration, general and special dietary programs, the disbursement of drugs and methods of supply, and any other records the board deems relevant to the establishment of a system.

**641—156.3(125) General standards for all correctional substance abuse treatment programs.** The following standards shall apply to all correctional substance abuse treatment programs in the state of Iowa regardless of the category of treatment services provided by the programs. In situations in which differences between general standards for all treatment programs and specific standards occur, both general and specific standards must be met.

**156.3(1) Procedures manual.** All programs shall develop and maintain a procedures manual. This manual shall define the program's policies and procedures to reflect the program's activities. Revisions to the procedures manual shall be entered with the date, name, and title of the individual making the entries. This manual shall contain all of the required written policies, procedures, definitions, and all other documentation required by these standards in the following areas:

- a. Organization and management of the program;
- b. Personnel policies;
- c. Medical services/detoxification;
- d. Staff training;
- e. Intake and initial assessment;
- f. Treatment planning;
- g. Inmate case records;
- h. Discharge planning;
- i. Inmate rights;
- j. Confidentiality of inmate records;
- k. Medication control;
- l. Treatment philosophy;
- m. Objectives;
- n. The role of the coordinator/director in charge of this service;
- o. Admission criteria; and
- p. Interrelationship with other service components and providers.

The policies and procedures manual shall be reviewed and approved on an annual basis.

**156.3(2) Personnel.** Written personnel policies and procedures shall be developed by all programs. Merit rules may be utilized in lieu of specific program personnel policies and procedures.

- a. All programs shall have written policies and procedures that address the following areas:
  - (1) Recruitment, selection, and certification of staff members;
  - (2) Recruitment and selection of volunteers;
  - (3) Wage and salary administration;
  - (4) Promotions;
  - (5) Employee benefits;
  - (6) Working hours;
  - (7) Vacation and sick leave;
  - (8) Lines of authority;
  - (9) Rules of conduct;
  - (10) Disciplinary actions and termination of employees;
  - (11) Methods for handling cases of inappropriate client care;
  - (12) Work performance appraisal;

- (13) Employee accidents and safety;
  - (14) Employee grievances; and
  - (15) Policy on staff persons suspected of using or abusing substances.
- b.* The written personnel policies and practices shall include an equal employment opportunity policy and an affirmative action plan for hiring members of protected classes.
  - c.* There shall be written job descriptions.
  - d.* Job descriptions shall accurately reflect the actual job situation and shall be reviewed when necessary by the executive director or whenever there is a change in required qualifications or duties.
  - e.* All positions shall have job descriptions included in the personnel section of the procedures manual or personnel record of the staff member.
  - f.* The written personnel policies and practices shall include a mechanism for the written evaluation of personnel performance on at least an annual basis. Evidence that this evaluation is reviewed with the employee and that the employee is given the opportunity to respond to this evaluation shall be documented.
  - g.* A personnel record shall be kept on each staff member. These records shall contain as applicable:
    - (1) Verification of training, experience, and all professional credentials relevant to the position;
    - (2) Documentation of a criminal records check with the Iowa division of criminal investigation;
    - (3) Job performance evaluations;
    - (4) Incident reports;
    - (5) Disciplinary actions taken; and
    - (6) Documentation of review and adherence to confidentiality laws and regulations. This review and agreement shall occur prior to assumption of duties.
  - h.* Written policies and procedures shall be designed to ensure confidentiality of personnel records and a delineation of authorized personnel who have access to various types of personnel information.
  - i.* Personnel providing screening, evaluations, assessments or treatment shall be certified through the Iowa board of substance abuse certification, or certified by an international certification and reciprocity consortium member board, or have education, training, and experience in the substance abuse field.
  - j.* There shall be written policies related to the prohibition of sexual harassment.
  - k.* There shall be written policies related to the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**156.3(3) Medical services.** A medical history and physical examination shall be conducted for all inmates within seven days of admission to the residential OWI facility. Laboratory examinations may be completed as deemed necessary by the physician.

The program shall have written policies and procedures defining the appropriate action to be taken when a medical emergency arises and the detoxification of an inmate is necessary.

OWI facilities shall ensure by contract or affiliation agreement that emergency medical services at a general hospital are available on a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week basis.

**156.3(4) Confidentiality.** All inmate substance abuse records shall be kept confidential and shall be handled in compliance with the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records regulations, 42 CFR Part 2, effective June 9, 1987, which implement federal statutory provisions, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3, applicable to alcohol abuse client/patient records, and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3, applicable to drug abuse client/patient records.

*a. Disclosure of benefits.* If the inmate gives specific written consent, the content of the record may be disclosed to legal counsel upon written endorsement by the attorney to nongovernmental personnel for the purpose of collecting health insurance claims or other benefits or to a present or potential employer when employment is conditioned upon the status or progress in a treatment program.

*b. Disclosure for evaluation.* Disclosure of information for research, management, audit, or evaluation purposes must be specifically authorized by the warden/superintendent or district director.

*c. Record of consent.* The inmate's written release of information shall be kept in the inmate's record.

*d. Confidentiality orientation.* A program shall ensure that all staff and inmates, as a part of their initial orientation, are made aware of the confidentiality requirements. Any decision to disclose inmate information under any provision of Iowa Code chapter 125, or other applicable federal or state rule which permits disclosure, shall be made only by the warden/superintendent or district director.

**156.3(5) Clinical oversight.** The program shall have appropriate clinical oversight to ensure quality of clinical services provided to inmates. Clinical oversight may be provided in house or through consultation. Clinical oversight may include assisting the program in developing policies and procedures relating to the assessment and treatment of psychopathology, assisting in the training of the staff and providing assistance to the clinical staff in assessment or treatment. The executive director or designee shall ultimately be responsible for clinical services and implementation of treatment services to inmates.

**156.3(6) Staff development and training.** There shall be written policies and procedures that establish staff development. Staff development shall include orientation for and opportunities for continuing job-related education.

Documentation of continuing education to maintain substance abuse certification shall meet the requirements of this subrule.

*a.* Evidence of substance abuse certification or orientation which includes the following: psychosocial, medical, and pharmacological information, confidentiality, and tuberculosis and blood-borne pathogens; an orientation to the program and community resources; counseling skill development; HIV/AIDS (human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immune deficiency syndrome) information/education; and the attitudes, values and lifestyles of racially diverse cultures, other cultures and special populations.

*b.* The program shall establish on-site training programs or enter into relationships with outside resources capable of meeting staff training needs.

*c.* The staff development program shall ensure that staff members are kept informed of new developments in the field of substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation.

*d.* In-service training programs shall be instituted when program operations or functions are changed and shall be designed to allow staff members to develop new skills.

*e.* Staff development activities and participation in state, national and regional training shall be planned and scheduled on an annual basis. These activities shall be documented in order to evaluate their scope, effectiveness, attendance, and amount of time spent on such efforts. The written plan for on-site staff development and the activities for professional growth and development of personnel shall be based on the annual needs assessment and shall be available to all personnel.

*f.* A record shall be kept of on-site training activities and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- (1) Date of the meeting;
- (2) Names of persons attending; and
- (3) Topics discussed.

**156.3(7) Intake.** Clearly stated written criteria shall determine the eligibility of inmates for admission to level of care. The program shall have written policies and procedures governing a uniform intake process that defines the following:

- a.* The types of information to be gathered on all inmates upon admission; and
- b.* Procedures to be followed when accepting referrals.

**156.3(8) Orientation.** During the intake process, documentation shall be made that the inmate has been informed of the following:

- a.* General nature and goals of the correctional substance abuse program;
- b.* Rules governing conduct and infractions that can lead to disciplinary action or discharge from the program;
- c.* Inmate's rights and responsibilities;
- d.* Confidentiality laws, rules, and regulations; and
- e.* Treatment costs to be borne by the individual, if any.

**156.3(9) Assessment.**

a. Sufficient information shall be collected during the intake process so that the assessment process allows for the development of a complete assessment of the inmate's status and a comprehensive plan of treatment can be developed.

b. A complete assessment of the inmate's status, which shall include an analysis and synthesis of the intake data, shall be developed and shall address the inmate's strengths, problems, and areas of clinical concern.

c. If the initial assessment was developed by personnel of the Iowa Medical and Classification Center (IMCC) or other correctional institution personnel, the substance abuse treatment program must document review of information in the inmate's record and provide updates or amendments as applicable.

d. The following information shall be collected as part of the assessment process:

- (1) Identifying information which includes name, home address, and telephone number;
- (2) Demographic information which includes date of birth, sex, race or ethnicity;
- (3) Presenting problem;
- (4) Substance abuse history, including type, amount, frequency, and duration of substance use;
- (5) Family history, which describes the family composition and dynamics;
- (6) Education status and history, which describes levels of achievement;
- (7) Vocational, employment status and history, which describes skills or trades learned, record of jobs held, duration, and reasons for leaving;
- (8) Peers and friends, which includes a description of interpersonal relationships and interaction with persons and groups outside the home, if available;
- (9) Legal history, which describes involvement with the criminal justice system;
- (10) Medical and health history, including any incidences of overdoses and any physical indicators of contagious diseases for which necessary action was required in accordance with the Iowa Code;
- (11) Psychological history and mental status;
- (12) Any other relevant information which will assist in formulating an initial assessment of the inmate; and
- (13) A financial evaluation.

**156.3(10) Treatment plans.** Based upon the initial assessment, a written treatment plan shall be developed and recorded in the inmate's case record.

a. A treatment plan shall be developed as soon after the inmate's admission to the substance abuse program as is clinically feasible, but no later than 30 days following admission.

b. The treatment plan shall, at a minimum, contain the following:

- (1) A clear and concise statement of the inmate's current strengths and needs;
- (2) Clear and concise statements of the short- and long-term goals the inmate will be attempting to achieve;
- (3) A delineation of primary and support services to be provided to the inmate; and
- (4) The staff person(s) to be responsible for the inmate's treatment.

c. Treatment plans shall be developed in conjunction with the inmate. Treatment plans shall be reviewed by the primary counselor and the inmate as often as necessary, but at least every 60 days.

d. A review shall consist of a reassessment of the inmate's current status including accomplishments and needs and a redefinition of treatment goals when appropriate. The date of the review and any change, as well as the persons involved in the review, shall also be recorded.

e. The use of abstract terms, technical jargon, or slang should be avoided in the written treatment plan.

f. Treatment plans shall be culturally and environmentally specific so as to meet the needs of the inmate. Treatment plans shall be written in a manner readily understandable to the inmate, with assistance if necessary.

g. The program shall provide the inmate with a copy of all treatment plans.

**156.3(11) Progress notes.** An inmate's progress and current status in meeting the goals set in the treatment plan as well as efforts by staff members to help the inmate achieve these stated goals shall be recorded in the inmate's case record. Information shall be noted following each inmate's counseling

session. Group counseling sessions shall be summarized at least monthly for each inmate receiving group counseling services in an outpatient program. Group summaries shall be completed at least biweekly for inmates receiving residential correctional substance abuse treatment services.

*a.* Entries shall be filed in chronological order and shall include the date of service or the observation made, the date of the entry, and the signature or initials and staff title of the individual rendering the service. All progress notes shall be entered into the inmate's case record in permanent pen, by typewriter, or by computer. In those instances in which records are maintained electronically, a staff identification code number authorizing access shall be accepted in lieu of a signature.

*b.* All entries that involve subjective interpretations of an inmate's progress should be supplemented with a description of the actual behavioral observations which were the basis for the interpretations.

*c.* The use of abstract terms, technical jargon, or slang should be avoided in progress notes.

*d.* The program shall develop a uniform progress note format to be used by all clinical staff.

**156.3(12) Discharge planning.**

*a.* The substance abuse program shall participate in release planning through the discharge summary. The discharge summary shall contain:

- (1) Summary of current strengths and weaknesses of inmate;
- (2) Summary of assessment results;
- (3) Summary of treatment activities;
- (4) Social family support;
- (5) Summary of current client status to include motivation/participation; and
- (6) Recommendations that include the reason for referral and prognosis.

*b.* The program shall maintain a list of all substance abuse resources available within the state.

The list of resources shall, at a minimum, contain the following:

- (1) The name and location of the resource;
- (2) The types of services provided by the resource.

**156.3(13) Quality improvement.** The program shall have an ongoing quality improvement process designed to objectively and systematically monitor and evaluate the quality and appropriateness of inmate care, pursue opportunities to improve inmate care, and resolve identified problems.

*a.* The program shall have a written plan for a quality improvement process. The written plan shall describe the objectives, organization, scope, and mechanisms for overseeing the effectiveness of monitoring, evaluation, and problem-solving activities.

*b.* The program shall establish written policies and procedures to describe and document the quality improvement process, including the monitoring and evaluation activities of the program. The policies and procedures shall ensure that:

- (1) Information is collected or screened by a designated individual(s) or committee. Quality improvement activities may be contracted through all outside resources;
- (2) Objective criteria are utilized in the development and application of criteria relating to the care or service the program provides; and
- (3) Objective criteria are utilized in the evaluation of the information collected in order to identify important problems in, or opportunities to improve, inmate care and clinical performance.

*c.* The program shall document that the quality of inmate care is improved and identified problems are resolved through appropriate actions taken by the program's administrative and supervisory staff and through professional staff functions.

*d.* Necessary information shall be communicated among program components, modalities, or services when problems or opportunities to improve inmate care involve more than one program component or service.

*e.* The program shall ensure that the status of identified problems is tracked to ensure improvement or resolution.

*f.* The program shall ensure that information from program components or services and the findings of distinct quality improvement activities are used to detect trends, patterns of performance, and potential problems that affect more than one program component or service.

*g.* The objectives, scope, organization, and effectiveness of the quality improvement process are evaluated at least annually and revised as necessary.

**156.3(14) Inmate case records.** There shall be written policies and procedures governing the compilation, storage, and dissemination of inmate case records.

*a.* These policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) The program exercises its responsibility for safeguarding and protecting the inmate case record against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure of information;

(2) The content and format of records are kept uniform; and

(3) The entries in the case record are signed and dated.

*b.* The program shall provide adequate physical facilities for the storage, processing, and handling of case records. These facilities shall include suitably locked, secured rooms or file cabinets.

*c.* Appropriate records shall be readily accessible to those staff members providing services directly to the inmate and other persons specifically authorized by program policy. Records should be kept in proximity to the area in which the inmate normally receives services.

*d.* There shall be a written policy governing the disposal and maintenance of inmate case records. Inmate case records shall be maintained for not less than seven years from the date the record is officially closed.

*e.* The governing body shall establish policies that specify the conditions under which information may be released and the procedures to be followed for releasing information. Even if a program is not federally funded, all policies and procedures shall be in accordance with applicable provisions of Section 408 of Public Law 92-255, the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (21 U.S.C. 1175) as amended by Section 303 of Public Law 93-282, the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Rehabilitation Act amendments of 1974 (88 Stat, 137), the federal confidentiality regulations issued, and state confidentiality laws and rules.

*f.* An inmate's written authorization shall appear on a consent form containing the following:

(1) The name of the program which is to make the disclosure;

(2) The name or title of the person or organization to which disclosure is to be made;

(3) The name of the inmate;

(4) The purpose or need for the disclosure;

(5) The extent or nature of information to be disclosed; and

(6) Except when the inmate is a mandatory criminal justice system referral, a statement that the consent is subject to revocation at any time, date, event or condition upon which it will expire without express revocation.

*g.* When participation by an inmate in a treatment program is made a condition of the release of the inmate from confinement, the disposition or status of any criminal proceedings against the inmate, or the execution or suspension of any sentence imposed upon the inmate, the inmate may consent to unrestricted communication between any program in which the inmate is enrolled in fulfillment of a condition and (1) the court granting probation or other posttrial or retrial conditional release, (2) the parole board or other authority granting parole, or (3) probation or parole officers responsible for the inmate's supervision. In addition, when consent is given for disclosures in this manner, consent shall expire 60 days after it is given or when there is substantial change in the inmate's status, whichever is later.

*h.* All policies related to confidentiality shall apply even after the inmate has terminated active involvement with the program.

*i.* In a life-threatening situation, or when an inmate's condition or situation precludes the possibility of obtaining written consent, the program may release pertinent medical information to the medical personnel responsible for the inmate's care without the inmate's authorization and without the authorization of the warden/superintendent or district director or designee if obtaining authorization would cause an excessive delay in delivering treatment to the inmate.

*j.* When information has been released without the inmate's authorization under these standards, the staff member responsible for the release of information shall enter into the inmate's case record all details pertinent to the transaction, which shall include at least:

- (1) The date the information was released;
- (2) The person to whom the information was released;
- (3) The reason the information was released; and
- (4) The nature and details of the information given.

*k.* As soon as possible after the release of information, the inmate shall be informed that it was released.

*l.* There shall be a record for each inmate that contains the following:

- (1) Results of all examinations, tests, and intake and assessment information;
- (2) Reports from referring sources;
- (3) Treatment plans;
- (4) Medication records, which shall allow for the monitoring of all medications administered and the detection of adverse drug reactions. All medication orders in the inmate case records shall define at least the name of the medication, dose, route of administration, frequency of administration, the name of the physician who prescribed the medication, and the name of the person administering or dispensing the medication;
- (5) Reports from outside resources, which shall include the name of the resource and the date of the report. These reports shall be signed by the person making the report or by the program staff member receiving the report;
- (6) Multidisciplinary case conference and consultation notes if applicable, including the date of the conference or consultation, recommendations made, and action taken;
- (7) Correspondence related to the inmate, including all letters and dated notations of telephone conversations relevant to the inmate's treatment;
- (8) Treatment consent forms, if applicable;
- (9) Information release forms;
- (10) Progress notes;
- (11) Records of service provided; and
- (12) Discharge summary.

**156.3(15) *Inmate rights.*** The program shall maintain written policies and procedures that ensure that the legal rights of inmates participating in the program are observed and protected.

*a.* Procedures to inform all inmates of legal rights shall be available at the time of admission into the program.

*b.* The implementation of these procedures shall be documented.

*c.* Written policies and procedures for reviewing and responding to an inmate's communications, e.g., opinions, recommendations, and inmate grievances, with a mechanism for redress, shall be documented.

*d.* Procedures shall be designed to protect the inmate's rights and privacy with respect to facility visitors, e.g., educational or other individual or group visitations at the program.

**156.3(16) *Medication control.*** Policies and procedures shall be developed to ensure that all medications are administered or self-administered safely and properly in accordance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations. OWI facilities shall be in compliance with 641—subrule 155.22(19).

**156.3(17) *Facilities.***

*a.* The facilities shall comply with rules 641—155.22(125) and 641—155.23(125) or ACA standards or other standards established by the department of corrections.

*b.* The facilities shall comply with rules 641—155.2(125) to 641—155.20(125).

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 125.13.

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CHAPTER 157  
STANDARDS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AND  
ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS AND THE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE  
WHILE INTOXICATED (OWI) LAW

[Prior to 3/29/06, see 643—Ch 8]

**641—157.1(125) Definitions.** Unless otherwise indicated, the following definitions shall apply to the specific terms used in these rules:

*“Assessment”* means the ongoing process of identifying a diagnosis, ruling out other diagnoses, and determining the level of care needed by the client.

*“Course for drinking drivers”* means an approved course designed to inform the offender about drinking and driving and to encourage the offender to assess the offender’s own drinking and driving behavior in order to select practical alternatives. Enrollment in the course is not limited to persons ordered to enroll, attend, and successfully complete the course required under Iowa Code sections 321J.1 and 321J.17. However, any person under the age of 18 who is required to attend the course for violation of Iowa Code section 321J.2 or 321J.17 must attend a course offered by a substance abuse treatment program licensed under Iowa Code chapter 125. Any instructional course for drinking drivers shall be approved by the department of education in consultation with the community colleges and substance abuse treatment programs licensed under Iowa Code chapter 125 and using the course of instruction detailed in 281—21.31(321J).

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Evaluation”* means the process to evaluate the client’s strengths, weaknesses, problems, and needs for the purpose of defining a course of treatment. This includes use of a standardized placement screening and any additional patient/client profile information, and recommendation to an appropriate level of care.

*“HIPAA”* means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

*“Licensed”* means issuance of a license by the department and the state board of health, which validates the licensee’s compliance with substance abuse program standards and authorizes the licensee to operate a substance abuse program in the state of Iowa.

*“Posttreatment”* means continuing care after primary treatment has been completed.

*“Primary treatment”* means substance abuse treatment modality including inpatient, primary residential treatment, extended residential treatment, medically monitored residential, extended outpatient, intensive outpatient, and partial hospitalization.

*“Program”* means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, governmental subdivision or public or private organization.

*“Qualifying program”* means a program which has a contract with the state of Iowa or the state’s contracted managed care entity to provide substance abuse treatment using a sliding fee scale.

*“Satisfactory completion of the drinking drivers course”* means receiving at the completion of the course a grade from the course instructor of “C” or “2.0,” or better.

*“Screening”* means the process by which a client/patient is determined at risk and in need of further evaluation. The focus is on the minimum criteria necessary for appropriateness/eligibility.

*“Substance abuser”* means a person who lacks self-control as to the use of chemical substances or uses chemical substances to the extent that the person’s health is substantially impaired or endangered or that the person’s social or economic function is substantially disrupted.

*“Treatment”* means the broad range of planned and continuing, inpatient, outpatient, residential care services, including diagnostic evaluation, counseling, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social service care, which may be extended to substance abusers, concerned persons, concerned family members, or significant others, and which is geared toward influencing the behavior of such individuals to achieve a state of rehabilitation.

**641—157.2(125) Screening, evaluation, treatment, and drinking drivers course.** Persons who are charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (OWI), Iowa Code section 321J.2, and whose driver’s license or nonresident operating privileges are revoked under Iowa Code chapter 321J shall

be assigned to undergo a substance abuse evaluation and, if recommended, treatment from a provider licensed by the department under Iowa Code chapter 125.

**157.2(1) Screening.** The initial screening shall consist of a generally accepted standardized substance abuse screening instrument. The program shall utilize a recognized diagnostic test or tool to determine “substance abuse” or “dependence” as those terms are defined in the DSM IV (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition). In addition, programs shall collect information on blood alcohol content at time of arrest; history of other alcohol or drug-related arrests; history of alcohol/drug treatment; history of mental health problems and treatment; any OWI arrest that included personal injury or additional charge(s); and family history of substance abuse.

**157.2(2) Evaluation.** If the initial screening shows a potential for chemical dependency, then a further evaluation will be completed. This evaluation shall consist of further development of the six assessment dimensions outlined in the American Society of Addiction Medicine, Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders, Second Edition-Revised.

**157.2(3) Treatment.** Treatment shall consist of a broad range of planned and continuing, inpatient, outpatient, and residential care services, including ongoing diagnostic evaluation, counseling, and medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social service care geared toward influencing the behavior of such individuals to achieve a state of rehabilitation. Individuals will be placed in the appropriate level of care at a substance abuse treatment program licensed by the department under Iowa Code chapter 125 in accordance with the American Society of Addiction Medicine, Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders, Second Edition-Revised.

**157.2(4) Drinking drivers course.** Substance abuse treatment programs licensed by the department under Iowa Code chapter 125 may provide the drinking drivers course if the course curriculum is approved by the department of education under Iowa Code section 321J.22 and 281—21.31(321J).

**641—157.3(125) Screening, evaluation, treatment, and drinking drivers course completion.** The program shall report substance abuse screening, assessment, evaluation and treatment completion to the department of transportation and to the district court in accordance with Iowa Code sections 125.37, 125.84 and 125.86; the federal confidentiality regulations, “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records,” 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987; HIPAA; and other relevant provisions of federal and state law. The program shall report satisfactory completion of the drinking drivers course to the department of education in accordance with Iowa Code section 321J.22 and 281—21.31(321J); the federal confidentiality regulations, “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records,” 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987; HIPAA; and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

**157.3(1) Reporting form.** Programs shall report screening, evaluation, and treatment completion utilizing the form “Notice Iowa Code 321J—Confidential Medical Record.” Iowa substance abuse evaluation and treatment providers licensed by the department under Iowa Code chapter 125 shall submit this form online to the department of transportation using the department of transportation’s 321J Web site, <https://www.saeval.dot.state.ia.us>.

**157.3(2) Primary treatment.** Upon completion of primary treatment, programs shall report to the department of transportation and the courts that treatment has been completed in accordance with Iowa Code section 321J.22; the federal confidentiality regulations, “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records,” 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987; HIPAA; and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

**157.3(3) Posttreatment results.** If the court orders a posttreatment program, the program shall report progress and attendance to the person’s probation officer or otherwise as ordered by the court in accordance with Iowa Code section 321J.22; the federal confidentiality regulations, “Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records,” 42 CFR, Part 2, effective June 9, 1987; HIPAA; and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

**157.3(4) Drinking drivers course.** Substance abuse treatment programs licensed by the department under Iowa Code chapter 125 may provide the drinking drivers course and shall report satisfactory completion of the drinking drivers course to the department of education in accordance with Iowa Code section 321J.22 and 281—21.31(321J).

**641—157.4(125) Cost of evaluation and treatment.**

**157.4(1) Screening and evaluation.** The program shall charge no more than \$125 for the cost of screening and evaluation. The individual or the individual's insurance provider shall be responsible for the costs of the screening and evaluation.

**157.4(2) Treatment.** Qualifying programs shall consider a person admitted to the program pursuant to Iowa Code section 321J.3 who does not possess sufficient income or estate to make payment of the costs of the treatment in whole or in part to be a state patient and eligible for state-funded treatment as provided in Iowa Code section 125.44. Qualifying programs shall utilize a sliding fee schedule approved by the department to determine cost of treatment. There is no prohibition on any individual from paying in whole the cost of treatment.

**157.4(3) Reimbursement.** Programs shall be able to seek reimbursement of the cost of screening, evaluation and treatment from an individual's insurance company, firm or corporation bound to pay, or from Medicaid for an individual who is eligible or enrolled in Medicaid.

**641—157.5(125) Timeliness.** The program shall conduct and complete substance abuse evaluations and treatment at the program's earliest convenience.

**641—157.6(125) Confidentiality.** Programs will abide by the federal regulations, "Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records," 42 CFR, Part 2; Iowa Code section 125.37; HIPAA; and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

**641—157.7(125) Records.** Programs shall maintain records for a minimum of seven years after discharge or completion of screening, evaluation, or treatment, and then destroy or maintain the records based on the program's written policy and procedure.

**641—157.8(125) Reciprocity.** For a resident of a state other than Iowa or an Iowa resident obtaining evaluation or treatment outside the state, screening, evaluation or treatment services shall be provided by programs licensed or approved by that state's substance abuse authority. Programs shall submit the results of the screening, evaluation and treatment to the Iowa department of public health, division of behavioral health and professional licensure, for review and reporting purposes to the Iowa department of transportation.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 125.13.

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CHAPTER 158  
REGIONS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

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**641—158.1(125) Service areas established.** The department of public health has established regions for substance abuse prevention and treatment service areas. Substance abuse assessment, prevention and education, and outpatient and follow-up treatment and rehabilitation shall be available in each service area. Emergency treatment provided by a facility affiliated with or part of the medical service of a general hospital, inpatient treatment, residential treatment, and halfway house treatment shall be available within reasonable driving distance of the service area.

**641—158.2(125) Request for a change in service areas.** Any existing service provider may file an application with the director to change an existing service area.

**641—158.3(125) Application.** The application shall include the following:

1. The name, address, and description of the applicant;
2. A description of the proposed change;
3. The applicant's rationale in support of the change in service area;
4. The number of clients the applicant proposes to serve and the proposed increase in quality or quantity of services to these clients;
5. A description of community support for the change; and
6. The names and addresses of all affected parties, including existing service providers.

**641—158.4(125) Notification of affected parties.** Within ten calendar days of receipt of a completed application, the director shall provide written notification to any affected parties identified in the application and shall allow any affected parties so notified 30 calendar days to submit written information in support of, or in opposition to, the application.

**641—158.5(125) Public hearing.** The director may hold a public hearing at which the applicant and any affected parties may provide an oral presentation with respect to their positions. The director shall give notice to the applicant and all affected parties ten calendar days prior to holding the hearing. The hearing shall not be a contested case hearing as that term is defined in Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—158.6(125) Proposed decision.** The director shall issue a written proposed decision which includes findings of fact and either approves or rejects the application. In issuing this decision, the director shall consider the proposed application, other information received from the applicant, information received from affected parties, the terms of any relevant contract, city and county lines, population concentrations, and existing substance abuse treatment and prevention services.

**641—158.7(125) Change during term of contract.** The director shall not approve an application which would change a service area during the term of an existing contract or after the release of a request for proposal for a new contract. Applications submitted after issuance of a request for proposal will, if granted, not become effective until after the expiration of the contract awarded pursuant to said request for proposal.

**641—158.8(125) State board of health review.** The director's proposed decision shall be reviewed by the board at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The board shall review all of the materials considered by the director, as described in rule 158.6(125), and the proposed decision and vote to approve or reject the director's proposed decision.

**641—158.9(125) State board of health decision.** The board's decision shall be issued in writing and shall be final agency action for the purposes of Iowa Code chapter 17A.

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CHAPTERS 159 to 161  
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CHAPTER 162  
LICENSURE STANDARDS FOR PROBLEM GAMBLING TREATMENT PROGRAMS

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**641—162.1(135) Definitions.**

*“Admission”* means the point in an individual’s relationship with the problem gambling treatment program at which the problem gambling treatment screening process has been completed and the individual is eligible to receive problem gambling treatment services.

*“Affiliation agreement”* means a written agreement between the governing body of the problem gambling treatment program and another organization under the terms of which specified services, space or personnel are provided to one organization by the other, but without exchange of moneys.

*“Applicant”* means any problem gambling treatment program that has applied for a license or for license renewal.

*“Application”* means the process through which a problem gambling treatment program applies for a license or for license renewal as outlined in rule 641—162.5(135).

*“Assessment”* means the ongoing process of identifying a diagnosis, ruling out other diagnoses, and determining the care needed by the problem gambling client. The assessment shall evaluate the problem gambling client’s strengths and needs for the purpose of defining a course of treatment, including collecting additional client information in order to develop a treatment plan.

*“Client”* means an individual whose problem gambling treatment screening identifies a need for problem gambling treatment services.

*“Clinical director”* means the person(s) designated by the problem gambling treatment program who provides clinical oversight and who, by virtue of education, training and experience, is capable of supervising the screening and assessment of the problem gambling client to approve the treatment plan most appropriate for the client.

*“Clinical oversight”* means oversight provided by an individual who, by virtue of education, training and experience, is capable of supervising the clinical staff members who assess the psychosocial history of a problem gambling client to determine the treatment plan most appropriate for the client. The problem gambling treatment program shall designate the person who shall provide clinical oversight.

*“Concerned person”* means a person affected by the problem gambling behavior of an individual who needs problem gambling treatment services or a person willing to become involved in the treatment of an individual who gambles excessively. The concerned person may be either a relative or nonrelative of the individual.

*“Confidentiality”* means the confidentiality of records to be maintained by a problem gambling treatment facility, which shall conform to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

*“Contract”* means a formal legal document adopted by the governing body of the problem gambling treatment program and any other organization, agency, or individual which specifies services, personnel or space to be provided to the problem gambling treatment program as well as the moneys to be expended in the exchange.

*“Counselor”* means a licensed or certified practitioner in a counseling-related field including: an advanced certified alcohol and drug counselor (ACADC) or certified alcohol and drug counselor (CADC) or CADC equivalent; a certified criminal justice professional (CCJP); a gambling counselor certified by the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG); a gambling treatment counselor (CGTC) certified by the Iowa board of certification (IBC); a licensed bachelor social worker (LBSW), a licensed independent social worker (LISW), and a licensed master social worker (LMSW) licensed under Iowa Code chapters 154C and 147; a licensed marital and family therapist (LMFT) licensed under Iowa Code chapters 154D and 147; a licensed mental health counselor (LMHC) licensed under Iowa Code chapters 154D and 147; an advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP) licensed under Iowa Code chapters 152 and 147; a psychologist licensed under Iowa Code chapters 154B and 147; a board-certified psychiatrist; or another licensed or certified professional approved by the department.

*“Culturally and environmentally specific”* means integrating into the problem gambling assessment and treatment process the ideas, customs, beliefs, and skills of a given population, as well as an acceptance, awareness, and celebration of diversity regarding conditions, circumstances and influences surrounding and affecting the development of an individual or group.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Designee”* means the staff person or counselor who is delegated tasks, duties and responsibilities normally performed by the clinical director, executive director or department director.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Discharge planning”* means the process, beginning at the time of the client’s admission for treatment in a problem gambling treatment program, of determining a client’s continued need for problem gambling treatment services and of developing a plan to address the ongoing posttreatment needs of the client. Discharge planning may include a document identified as a discharge plan.

*“Division”* means the division of behavioral health and professional licensure in the Iowa department of public health.

*“Division director”* means the director of the division of behavioral health and professional licensure in the Iowa department of public health.

*“Executive director”* or *“program director”* means an individual who is hired by the problem gambling treatment program governing body to manage the overall operations of the program in accordance with the governing body’s established policies.

*“Facility”* means a hospital, institution or program licensed under Iowa Code section 135.150 providing treatment for problem gamblers. *“Facility”* also means the physical areas including grounds, buildings, or portions of buildings under direct administrative control of the program.

*“Governing body”* means the individual(s), group, or agency that has ultimate authority and responsibility for the overall operation of the problem gambling treatment facility.

*“HIPAA”* means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

*“Intake”* means gathering additional problem gambling treatment information at the time of the problem gambling assessment process.

*“Licensee”* means any problem gambling treatment program licensed by the department.

*“Licensure”* means the issuance of a license by the department which validates the licensee’s compliance with problem gambling treatment program standards set forth in 641—Chapter 162 and authorizes the licensee to operate a problem gambling treatment program in the state of Iowa.

*“Licensure weighting report”* means the problem gambling treatment program report that is used to determine the type of license for which a problem gambling treatment program qualifies based on point values assigned to licensure standards reviewed and the total number of points attained. In addition, the problem gambling treatment program shall attain a minimum percent value in each of three categories to qualify for a license as follows: 95 percent or higher rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a three-year license; 90 percent or higher rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a two-year license; or less than 90 percent but not less than 70 percent rating in clinical, administrative and programming for a one-year license.

*“Outpatient treatment”* means an organized problem gambling outpatient, nonresidential treatment service. Services usually are provided in regularly scheduled individual, group and family sessions.

*“Physician”* means any individual licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A.

*“Primary care modality”* means a problem gambling treatment component or modality, including problem gambling outpatient treatment.

*“Problem gambler”* means an individual affected by problem gambling who has been assessed as habitually lacking impulse control while gambling to the extent that the individual’s life is substantially endangered or that the individual’s social or economic functioning is substantially disrupted.

*“Problem gambling”* means a pattern of gambling behavior which may compromise, disrupt or damage family, personal or vocational pursuits.

*“Program”* means any partnership, corporation, association, governmental subdivision or public or private organization that provides problem gambling treatment services.

*“Protected class”* means any class of people that requires special legislation to ensure equality.

“*Quality improvement*” means the process of objectively and systematically monitoring and evaluating the quality and appropriateness of problem gambling treatment program services to improve client care and resolve identified problems.

“*Rehabilitation*” means the restoration of a client to the fullest physical, mental, social, vocational, and economic functioning of which the client is capable. Rehabilitation may include, but is not limited to, medical treatment, counseling and therapy, occupational training, job counseling, social and domestic rehabilitation and education.

“*Relapse*” means the recurrence of symptoms of problem gambling after a period of improvement. Relapse may include the resumption of problem gambling or worsening of symptoms.

“*Screening*” means the process by which a client is determined appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular problem gambling treatment program.

“*Sentinel event*” means any event which occurs at a problem gambling treatment program or to program staff members or clients who are currently active or within one week of discharge from the program. Sentinel events include the unexpected incidence or serious risk of death or serious physical or psychological injury or any event which may be subject to litigation.

“*Staff member*” means any person who provides services to the problem gambling treatment program on a regular basis as a paid employee, agent or consultant or as a volunteer.

“*Standards*” means criteria that represent the minimal qualifications required of a problem gambling treatment program for the issuance of a license.

“*Substance abuse*” means any use of illegal chemical substances or the abuse of legal substances or the use of chemical substances to the extent that the person’s health is substantially impaired or endangered or that the person’s social or economic functioning is substantially disrupted.

“*Treatment*” means the broad range of planned and continuing problem gambling treatment services, including diagnostic screening and assessment, counseling, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social services, which may be extended to problem gambling clients or concerned persons, and which is geared toward influencing the behavior of clients or concerned persons in order to facilitate rehabilitation.

**641—162.2(135) Licensure.** The department shall issue a single license to each qualifying problem gambling treatment program. The license shall delineate one or more categories of services the problem gambling treatment program is authorized to provide. Although a problem gambling treatment program may have more than one facility, the department shall issue only one license to the program.

**641—162.3(135) Type of licenses.**

**162.3(1) Issuance of licenses.**

a. An initial license may be issued for 270 days. The department shall not renew or extend an initial license issued for 270 days.

b. Licenses shall expire 270 days or one, two or three calendar years from the date of issuance, and the department shall renew a one-, two- or three-year license only on application.

c. A license may be renewed for one, two or three years.

d. The department shall renew a one- or two-year license contingent upon demonstration by the problem gambling treatment program of continued compliance with licensure standards and in accordance with the licensure weighting report criteria.

e. The department shall renew a three-year license contingent upon demonstration by the problem gambling treatment program of substantial continued compliance with licensure standards and in accordance with the licensure weighting report criteria.

f. Failure to apply for renewal of the license within the 30-day grace period after the expiration date shall result in immediate termination of the license and shall require reapplication.

**162.3(2) Corrective action.** Following the issuance of a license, the problem gambling treatment program may be requested by the department to provide a written plan of corrective action and to bring into compliance all areas found in noncompliance during an on-site visit. The department shall place the corrective action plan in the problem gambling treatment program’s permanent file with the department and use it as a reference during future on-site inspections.

**641—162.4(135) Nonassignability.**

**162.4(1)** A license issued by the department for the operation of a problem gambling treatment program applies both to the applicant program and to the facility at which the program is to be operated.

**162.4(2)** Licenses are not transferable.

**162.4(3)** Any person or other legal entity acquiring a currently licensed program for the purpose of operating a problem gambling treatment program shall apply as provided in rule 641—162.5(135) for a new license.

**162.4(4)** Any person or legal entity licensed by the department that plans to fundamentally alter the treatment philosophy or transfer the program to a different premises must notify the department 30 days prior to the action in order for the department to review the treatment philosophy or site change and determine appropriate action.

**162.4(5)** A licensee shall, if possible, notify the department of impending closure of the licensed problem gambling treatment program at least 30 days prior to closure. The licensee shall be responsible for the removal and placement of clients and for the preservation of all records. Upon closing all facilities and terminating all service delivery activities, the licensee shall immediately return the license to the department.

**641—162.5(135) Application procedures.**

**162.5(1)** *The department shall provide an application form to all applicants for licensure.*

*a.* Any problem gambling treatment program applying for an initial license shall submit complete application information to the department and shall be inspected by the department prior to the program's opening and offering services to clients.

*b.* Any problem gambling treatment program that notifies the department within 60 days after May 16, 2007, that the program is currently operating in Iowa and that provides documentation verifying operation of a program in Iowa shall be exempt from the on-site inspection requirement for initial licensure before the program opens and admits clients for services. Documentation that a program is operating in Iowa may include a current contract with the department to provide problem gambling treatment services, a mission statement specifying that the program offers problem gambling treatment services, governing board bylaws specifying that the program is providing problem gambling treatment services, or articles of incorporation specifying that the program is providing problem gambling treatment services. Problem gambling treatment programs that qualify under this paragraph shall apply for licensure pursuant to this chapter within 60 days of May 16, 2007. These programs may continue to operate until their licenses are approved or denied by the department.

*c.* For initial applicants, if technical assistance has been provided to the problem gambling treatment program by the department, and if enough information was gathered during the technical assistance visit to determine that the program is eligible to receive an initial 270-day license, then the on-site inspection for initial licensure may be waived at the discretion of the department.

*d.* The division shall prepare a report with a recommendation for licensure to be presented to the department within 30 days of the on-site inspection.

**162.5(2)** *Application information for problem gambling treatment programs.* An applicant for licensure shall submit to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, the following information on forms provided by the department. The department shall not consider an application for licensure complete until the following information is received by the department from the problem gambling treatment program:

*a.* The name and address of the applicant for licensure.

*b.* The name and address of the executive director or program director of the problem gambling treatment program.

*c.* The names, titles, dates of employment, education, and years of recent job-related experience of staff members and a copy of the table of organization. When multiple treatment modalities and facilities exist, the relationship between treatment modalities and facilities must be shown and a description of the problem gambling treatment screening and training process for volunteer workers must be included.

*d.* The names and addresses of members of the governing body, sponsors, or advisory boards of the problem gambling treatment program and current articles of incorporation and bylaws.

*e.* The names and addresses of all physicians, other professionally trained personnel, medical facilities, and other individuals or organizations with which the problem gambling treatment program has a direct contractual or affiliation agreement.

*f.* A description of the treatment services provided by the problem gambling treatment program and a description of weekly activities for each treatment modality or component.

*g.* Copies of reports substantiating compliance with federal, state and local rules and laws for each facility, including appropriate Iowa department of inspections and appeals rules, state fire marshal rules and fire ordinances, and appropriate local health, fire, occupancy code, and safety regulations.

*h.* Information required under Iowa Code section 135C.33 for programs that admit juveniles.

*i.* Fiscal management information including the most recent audit or opinion of an auditor and the governing body minutes to reflect approval of the audit, and budget and insurance coverage. If this information is already on file with the department, the problem gambling treatment program does not need to resubmit this information.

*j.* Documentation of insurance coverage for professional and general liability, the facility, workers' compensation, and fidelity bond or crime and dishonesty insurance.

*k.* For programs using the gambling treatment reporting system (GTRS), the address and primary facility code of each office, facility, or program location.

*l.* Current, complete written policies and procedures manual to include the staff development and training plan and personnel policies.

The problem gambling treatment program shall complete the application information for an initial application for licensure and the department shall review the application information prior to a scheduled on-site inspection.

**162.5(3) *Renewal.*** The problem gambling treatment program shall submit an application for renewal on forms provided by the department at least 60 calendar days before expiration of the current license.

**162.5(4) *Application update or revision for existing licensed programs.***

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall notify the department of the need for and shall request an application for a licensure update or revision.

*b.* The problem gambling treatment program shall apply for licensure update or revision 30 days prior to any planned change(s) of address of offices, facilities, or program locations or any additions or deletions of the type(s) of services or programs provided and licensed.

*c.* The problem gambling treatment program shall submit to the department within 10 working days from the date the forms are received a revised licensure application form which shall reflect changes of address of offices, facilities, or program locations or additions or deletions of the type(s) of services or program(s) provided or licensed to the division.

*d.* When applicable, as determined by the department, an on-site licensure inspection of a new component, service, program or facility may be conducted by the department within six months of the receipt of the updated or revised application or during an existing licensed problem gambling treatment program's scheduled relicensure on-site inspection, whichever occurs first.

**641—162.6(135) *Application review.*** An applicant for licensure shall submit a completed application to the department within 30 days from the date the forms are received. The department shall review the application for completeness and request any additional material as needed. The department shall notify applicants that fail to return the application forms on time. Iowa Code section 135.150 requires that all state-funded problem gambling treatment programs be licensed.

**641—162.7(135) *Inspection of licensees.*** The department shall inspect the problem gambling treatment program and review the policies and procedures utilized by the program. The inspection may include case record audits and interviews with problem gambling treatment staff members and clients, consistent with the confidentiality safeguards of state and federal law.

**162.7(1) *Technical assistance.*** The department shall visit all problem gambling treatment programs applying for an initial license to operate a program in the state of Iowa for the purpose of providing needed technical assistance regarding the licensure criteria and procedures. The problem gambling treatment program may waive technical assistance in order to expedite the licensing process. The problem gambling treatment program shall submit requests for additional technical assistance in writing to the department.

*a.* Following the issuance of a license, the problem gambling treatment program may request technical assistance from the department to bring into conformity standards reported to be in noncompliance with these rules.

*b.* The department shall schedule technical assistance within 30 days of the applicant's request depending on the availability of staff.

*c.* The department may also request that technical assistance be provided to the problem gambling treatment program if deficiencies are noted during an on-site technical assistance visit.

**162.7(2) *On-site inspection for licensure.*** The department shall schedule an on-site inspection for licensure after the department's receipt of the problem gambling treatment program's completed application to operate a program in Iowa. The department shall not be required to provide advance notice to the problem gambling treatment program of the on-site inspection for licensure.

*a.* The on-site inspection team shall consist of designated members of the division staff.

*b.* Team members shall inspect the problem gambling treatment program in order to verify information contained in the application and ensure compliance with all laws, rules and regulations.

*c.* The inspection team shall send a written report, return receipt requested, of its findings to the applicant within 20 working days after the on-site inspection.

**162.7(3) *Effective date of license.*** The effective date of a license shall begin on the date the department reviews the problem gambling treatment program's written application and licensure weighting report and acts to issue a license.

**641—162.8(135) Licensure renewal.** Upon approval of an application for licensure renewal, the department shall renew the license pursuant to rule 641—162.5(135).

**641—162.9(135) Corrective action plans.**

**162.9(1) *Corrective action plans for 270-day license for problem gambling treatment programs.***

*a.* Problem gambling treatment programs approved by the department for a 270-day license shall submit a corrective action plan to the division director no later than 30 days following notice that the program has received a 270-day license.

*b.* The corrective action plan shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Specific problem areas.

(2) A delineation of corrective measures to be taken by the problem gambling treatment program for each problem area.

(3) A delineation of target dates for completion of corrective measures for each problem area.

*c.* The department shall review the implemented corrective action during the required follow-up on-site visit and issue a subsequent report to the division director and the program.

**162.9(2) *Corrective action plans for one- and two-year licensure programs.***

*a.* Problem gambling treatment programs approved by the department for a one- or two-year license shall submit a corrective action plan for those standards found to be in noncompliance, if applicable, following an on-site inspection.

*b.* The department shall not be required to offer technical assistance on a corrective action plan for one- and two-year licenses.

*c.* The problem gambling treatment program approved by the department for a one- or two-year license shall submit a corrective action plan within 30 days of receipt of the licensure inspection report.

**641—162.10(135) On-site inspection for initial licensure.**

**162.10(1)** On-site inspection for licensure. The on-site inspection for licensure of an initial applicant shall occur prior to the problem gambling treatment program's opening and admitting clients (see 162.5(1) for details regarding exemption from this subrule). The department shall not be required to provide advance notice to the program of the on-site inspection for licensure.

- a.* The on-site inspection team shall consist of a designated member(s) of the division staff.
- b.* The team shall inspect the applicant program in order to verify information contained in the application and to ensure compliance with all laws, rules and regulations.
- c.* The inspection team shall send a written report, return receipt requested, of its findings to the applicant within 20 working days after completion of the inspection.
- d.* The application information for an initial application for licensure shall be completed by the program and reviewed by the department prior to a scheduled on-site inspection.

**162.10(2)** Upon approval of an application for licensure, the department shall issue a license.

**641—162.11(135) Denial, suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew a license.**

**162.11(1)** The department may deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a license for any of the following reasons:

- a.* Failure to adequately complete the application or renewal application process or submission of fraudulent or misleading information on the initial or renewal application form.
- b.* Failure to obtain the minimum score required for a one-, two- or three-year license.
- c.* Violation by a problem gambling treatment program, program employee or agent of the employee of any statute or rule pertaining to problem gambling treatment programs, including a violation of any provision of this chapter.
- d.* Failure to comply with licensure, inspection, health, fire, occupancy, safety, sanitation, zoning, or building codes or regulations required by federal, state, or local law.
- e.* The commission of or permitting or aiding or abetting the commission of an unlawful act within a facility.
- f.* Conviction of a member of the problem gambling treatment program governing body, a director, administrator, chief executive officer, or other managing staff member, of a felony or misdemeanor involving the management or operation of the facility or directly related to the operation or integrity of the facility.
- g.* Use of untruthful or improbable statements in advertising.
- h.* Conduct or practices found by the department to be detrimental to the general health, safety, or welfare of a client or member of the community in which the program operates.
- i.* Violation of a client's confidentiality or willful, substantial, or repeated violation of a client's rights.
- j.* An attempt to defraud a problem gambling client, potential client, or third-party payor.
- k.* Inappropriate conduct by a problem gambling treatment program employee, including sexual contact with a client of the program.
- l.* Use of treatment techniques which endanger the health, safety, or welfare of a client.
- m.* Discrimination or retaliation against a client or employee who has submitted a complaint or information to the department.
- n.* Failure to allow an employee or agent of the department access to the facility for the purpose of inspection, investigation, or other information collection duties necessary to the performance of the department's duties.
- o.* Commission of an act to defraud the state of Iowa.
- p.* Failure to submit an acceptable written plan of corrective action or failure to comply with a written plan of corrective action issued pursuant to subrule 162.3(2), rule 641—162.9(135), or paragraph 162.16(4) "c."
- q.* Violation of an order of the department or violation of the terms or conditions of a consent agreement or informal settlement between a problem gambling treatment program and the department.

*r.* Failure to complete in full the application for licensure or failure to submit the information required by rule 641—162.5(135).

**162.11(2)** Initial notice from the department. When the department determines to deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a license, the department shall notify the licensee by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the department's intent to deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the license and of the changes required to avoid denial, suspension, revocation or refusal to renew a license. The initial notice shall further provide the licensee the opportunity to submit to the department either a written plan of corrections or written objections within 20 days from the receipt of notice from the department.

**162.11(3)** Correction of deficiencies; objections.

*a. Written plan of corrections.* If a licensee submits a written plan of corrections, the licensee shall have 60 days from the date of submission to show compliance with the plan of corrections. The licensee shall submit any information to the department that the licensee deems pertinent to verify compliance with the plan of corrections.

*b. Objections.* If a licensee submits written objections, the licensee shall submit to the department any information that the licensee deems pertinent to support the licensee's defense.

**162.11(4)** Decision of the department. Following receipt of a written plan of corrections and expiration of the 60-day time period, or following receipt of written objections, or when objections or a notice of corrections has not been received within the 20-day time period, the department may determine whether to proceed with disciplinary action.

**162.11(5)** Notice of decision and opportunity for contested case hearing.

*a.* When the department determines to deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a license, the department shall give the licensee written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested.

*b.* The licensee may request a hearing on the determination. The request must be in writing and received by the department within 30 days of receipt of the notice issued by the department. Failure to request a hearing by the deadline shall result in final action by the department.

**162.11(6)** Summary suspension. If the department finds that the health, safety or welfare of the public is endangered by continued operation of a problem gambling treatment program, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other actions. These proceedings shall be promptly determined and instituted.

**641—162.12(135) Contested case hearings.** Any problem gambling treatment program that wishes to contest the denial, suspension, revocation or refusal to renew a license shall be afforded an opportunity for a hearing before an administrative law judge from the department of inspections and appeals. The department shall notify the problem gambling treatment program in writing, return receipt requested, of the date of the hearing not less than 30 days before the hearing.

**162.12(1)** *Failure to appear.* If a party fails to appear in a contested case hearing proceeding after proper service of notice, the administrative law judge shall, in such a case, enter a default judgment against the party failing to appear.

**162.12(2)** *Conduct of hearing.* The administrative law judge shall afford all parties opportunity to respond to and present evidence and argument on all issues involved and to be represented by counsel at their own expense.

*a.* The hearing shall be informal and all relevant evidence shall be admissible. Effect shall be given to the rules of privilege recognized by law. Objections to evidentiary offers may be made and shall be noted in the record. The hearing shall be expedited and the interests of the parties shall not be prejudiced substantially. Any part of the evidence may be required to be submitted in verified written form.

*b.* Documentary evidence may be received in the form of copies or excerpts if the original is not readily available. Upon request, parties shall be given an opportunity to compare the copy with the original, if available.

*c.* Witnesses present at the hearing shall be subject to cross-examination by any party as necessary for a full and true disclosure of the facts.

*d.* The record in a contested case shall include:



- (1) All pleadings, motions and intermediate rulings.
- (2) All evidence received or considered and all other submissions.
- (3) A statement of all matters officially noticed.
- (4) All questions and offers of proof, objections and rulings therein.
- (5) All proposed findings and exceptions.
- (6) Any decision, opinion or report by the officer presiding at the hearing.

*e.* Oral proceedings shall be open to the public and shall be recorded either by mechanized means or by certified shorthand reporters. Oral proceedings or any part thereof shall be transcribed at the request of any party with the expense of the transcription charged to the requesting party. The recording or stenographic notes of oral proceedings or the transcription thereof shall be filed with and maintained by the problem gambling treatment program for at least five years from the date of decision.

*f.* Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence in the record and on matters officially noticed in the record.

**162.12(3) Continuance.** For good cause, the administrative law judge may either continue a hearing beyond the time originally scheduled or may recess the hearing. Requests for continuance shall be made to the administrative law judge in writing at least three days prior to the scheduled hearing date. The administrative law judge shall not grant continuances less than three days before the hearing except for exigent circumstances.

**162.12(4) Decision.** Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence in the record and upon matters officially noticed in the record.

*a.* The decision of the administrative law judge shall be a final decision unless there is an appeal to the department within 20 days of the receipt of the decision.

*b.* A proposed or final decision or order in a contested case hearing shall be in writing. A proposed or final decision shall include findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated. Parties shall be promptly notified of each proposed or final decision or order by delivery of a copy of the decision or order by certified mail, return receipt requested. In the case of a proposed decision, the department shall notify the parties of the right to appeal the decision to the department director.

**162.12(5) Appeal to the department director.**

*a.* Either party may request that the department director review the proposed decision. The request shall be in writing and delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 20 days of receipt of the proposed decision.

*b.* The parties shall have an opportunity to submit briefs to the department director. The department director shall review the record and any briefs. No new evidence shall be admitted unless requested and allowed by the department director.

*c.* The department director shall issue a decision in writing within 90 days after receiving the request to review the proposed decision.

**641—162.13(135) Rehearing application.** Within 20 days after the department director issues a final decision in a contested case, any party may file an application for rehearing, stating the specific grounds therefor and the relief sought, and shall mail a copy of the application by certified mail, return receipt requested, to all parties of record. The application for rehearing is deemed to have been denied unless the department director grants the application within 20 days after its filing.

**641—162.14(135) Judicial review.** A licensee that is aggrieved or adversely affected by the department director's final decision and that has exhausted all adequate administrative remedies may seek judicial review of the department director's decision pursuant to and in accordance with Iowa Code section 17A.19.

**641—162.15(135) Reissuance or reinstatement.** After suspension, revocation or refusal to renew a license, the department shall not reissue or reinstate the license to the affected licensee within one year of the effective date of the suspension, revocation or expiration upon refusal to renew, unless by order

of the department. After that time, proof of compliance with licensure standards must be presented to the department prior to reinstatement or reissuance of a license.

**641—162.16(135) Complaints and investigations.**

**162.16(1) *Complaints.*** Any person may file a complaint with the department against any problem gambling treatment program licensed pursuant to this chapter. The person filing the complaint shall make the complaint in writing and shall mail or deliver the complaint to the division director at the Division of Behavioral Health and Professional Licensure, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The complaint shall include the name and address of the complainant, the name of the problem gambling treatment program, and a concise statement of the allegations against the program, including the specific alleged violations of this chapter, if known. A complaint may also be initiated by the department pursuant to evidence received by the department. Timely filing of complaints is required in order to ensure the availability of witnesses and to avoid initiation of an investigation under conditions which may have been significantly altered during the period of delay.

**162.16(2) *Evaluation and investigation.*** Upon receipt of a complaint, the department shall make a preliminary review of the allegations contained in the complaint. Unless the department concludes that the complaint is intended solely to harass a problem gambling treatment program or lacks a reasonable basis, the department shall conduct an on-site investigation of the program which is the subject of the complaint as soon as practicable. The department shall consider the complaint to be confidential and shall protect the name of the complainant, unless the complainant waives the right to confidentiality.

**162.16(3) *Investigative report.*** Within 30 working days after completion of the investigation, the department shall prepare a written investigative report and shall submit the report to the executive director or program director of the problem gambling treatment program and the chairperson of the program governing body. This report shall include the general nature of the complaint and shall indicate if the allegations were substantiated, unsubstantiated, or undetermined; the basis for the finding; the specific statutes or rules at issue; a response from the problem gambling treatment program, if received; and a recommendation for action.

**162.16(4) *Review of investigations.*** The department shall review the investigative report and shall determine appropriate action.

*a. Closure.* If the department determines that the allegations contained in the complaint are unsubstantiated, the department shall close the case and shall promptly notify the complainant and the problem gambling treatment program by certified mail, return receipt requested.

*b. Referral for further investigation.* If the department determines that the case warrants further investigation, it shall refer the case to department staff members for further investigation.

*c. Written plan of corrective action.* If the department determines any allegations contained in the complaint are substantiated and corrective action is warranted, the department may require the problem gambling treatment program to submit and comply with a written plan of corrective action. A problem gambling treatment program shall submit a written plan of corrective action to the department within 20 working days after receiving a request for the plan. The written plan of corrective action shall include a plan for correcting violations as required by the department and a time frame within which the problem gambling treatment program shall implement the plan. The plan is subject to department approval. The requirement of a written plan of corrective action is not formal disciplinary action. Failure to submit or comply with a written plan of corrective action may result in formal disciplinary action against the problem gambling treatment program.

*d. Disciplinary action.* If the department determines that any allegations contained in the complaint are substantiated and disciplinary action is warranted, the department may proceed with such action in accordance with rule 641—162.11(135).

**162.16(5) *Confidential information and public information.*** Information contained in a complaint is confidential pursuant to Iowa Code sections 22.7(18) and 22.7(35) or any other provision of state or federal law, unless the complainant waives the right to confidentiality. Investigative reports, written plans of corrective action, and all notices and orders issued pursuant to rule 641—162.11(135) shall refer

to problem gambling clients by number and shall not include any other client-identifying information. The department shall ensure that investigative reports, written plans of corrective action, and all notices and orders issued pursuant to rule 641—162.11(135) are available to the public as open records pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 22.

**641—162.17(135) Funding.** The issuance of a license by the department to any problem gambling treatment program shall not be construed as a commitment on the part of either the state or federal government to provide funds to the program.

**641—162.18(135) Inspection.** Each applicant or licensee agrees as a condition of licensure:

**162.18(1)** To permit properly designated representatives of the department to enter and inspect any and all premises of problem gambling treatment programs for which a license has been either applied or issued to verify information contained in the application or to ensure compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations relating thereto, during all hours of operation of the facility and at any other reasonable hour.

**162.18(2)** To permit properly designated representatives of the department to audit and collect statistical data from all records maintained by the licensee. The department shall not license a problem gambling treatment program which does not permit inspection by the department or examination of all records, including client records, personnel records, financial records, methods of administration, and any other records the department deems relevant.

**641—162.19(135) Exemptions to rule 641—162.20(135).**

**162.19(1)** The department shall exempt problem gambling treatment programs that hold a valid license under 641—Chapter 155 from all the standards required pursuant to rule 641—162.20(135), except for the standards set forth in the following subrules:

- a. 162.20(6), Personnel;
- b. 162.20(7), Child abuse, dependent adult abuse, and criminal history background checks;
- c. 162.20(8), Client case record maintenance;
- d. 162.20(9), Client screening, admission and assessment;
- e. 162.20(15), Sentinel events;
- f. 162.20(16), Quality improvement; and
- g. 162.20(20), Financial counseling.

**162.19(2)** The department shall exempt problem gambling treatment programs accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) from all the standards required pursuant to rule 641—162.20(135), except for the standards set forth in the following subrules:

- a. 162.20(6), Personnel;
- b. 162.20(7), Child abuse, dependent adult abuse, and criminal history background checks;
- c. 162.20(8), Client case record maintenance; and
- d. 162.20(9), Client screening, admission and assessment.

**162.19(3)** The department shall exempt problem gambling treatment programs accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA) from all the standards required pursuant to rule 641—162.20(135), except for the standards set forth in the following subrules:

- a. 162.20(6), Personnel;
- b. 162.20(7), Child abuse, dependent adult abuse, and criminal history background checks; and
- c. 162.20(9), Client screening, admission and assessment.

**162.19(4)** The department shall exempt problem gambling treatment programs accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) from all the standards required pursuant to rule 641—162.20(135), except for the standards set forth in the following subrules:

- a. 162.20(6), Personnel;
- b. 162.20(9), Client screening, admission and assessment; and
- c. 162.20(20), Financial counseling services.

**162.19(5)** The department shall combine the scores for all programming, administrative and clinical standards into one score for the licensure weighting report for those problem gambling treatment programs exempted under this rule.

**641—162.20(135) General standards for all problem gambling treatment programs.** The following standards shall apply to all licensed problem gambling treatment programs in the state of Iowa regardless of the category of services provided by such programs. In situations in which differences between general standards and specific standards occur, both general and specific standards must be met.

**162.20(1) Governing body.** Each problem gambling treatment program shall have a formally designated governing body that is representative of the community being served, complies with Iowa Code chapter 504 and other Iowa Code chapters as appropriate, and has ultimate authority and responsibility for overall program operations.

*a.* The governing body shall develop and adopt written bylaws and policies that define the powers and duties of the governing body, its committees and advisory groups, and the executive director or program director. The governing body shall review and revise the bylaws and policies as necessary.

*b.* The bylaws shall specify, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) Type of membership;
- (2) Term of appointment;
- (3) Frequency of meetings;
- (4) Attendance requirements; and
- (5) Quorum necessary to transact business.

*c.* The governing body shall keep minutes of all meetings and shall make the minutes available for review by the department. Minutes shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Date of the meeting;
- (2) Names of members attending;
- (3) Topics discussed; and
- (4) Decisions reached and actions taken.

*d.* The duties of the governing body shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) To appoint a qualified executive director or program director who shall have the responsibility and authority for the management of the problem gambling treatment program in accordance with the governing body's established policies;

(2) To establish effective controls which shall ensure that quality services are delivered;

(3) To review and approve the program's annual budget;

(4) To ensure that the program shall maintain the fiscal management system in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including internal controls, to reasonably protect program assets;

(5) To ensure that the program shall have insurance coverage that provides for the protection and replacement of the physical and financial resources of the program and that provides fidelity bond or crime and dishonesty insurance coverage for all staff members, facilities, and equipment;

(6) To review the insurance coverage annually; and

(7) To approve all contracts.

*e.* The governing body shall develop and approve policies for the effective operation of the program.

*f.* The governing body is responsible for all funds, equipment, supplies and the facility or facilities in which the program operates, and for the appropriateness and adequacy of services provided by the program.

*g.* The governing body shall at least annually prepare a report which shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

(1) The name, address, occupation, and place of employment of each governing body member;

(2) Any family or business relationships which a member of the governing body may have with a program staff member; and

(3) When applicable, the name and address of any owner or controlling party whether it is an individual, a partnership, a corporation body or a subdivision of other bodies, such as a public agency, religious group, fraternity, or other philanthropic organization.

*h.* The governing body shall assume the responsibility of ensuring that malpractice and liability insurance and fidelity bond or crime and dishonesty insurance have been provided for the program.

**162.20(2) Executive director or program director.** The executive or program director shall have primary responsibility for overall problem gambling treatment program operations. The problem gambling treatment program governing body shall clearly define the duties of the executive director or program director, when applicable, in accordance with the policies established by the governing body.

**162.20(3) Clinical oversight.** The problem gambling treatment program shall have appropriate clinical oversight to ensure the quality of clinical services provided to clients. Clinical oversight shall be provided in-house or through consultation. The clinical director shall meet the criteria for staff members detailed in subrule 162.20(6), paragraph “*k.*” Clinical oversight may include assisting the problem gambling treatment program in developing policies and procedures relating to the assessment and treatment of clients, assisting in the training of staff members and providing assistance to clinical staff members in assessment or treatment. The executive director or program director or designee is ultimately responsible to the governing body for the supervision of clinical services and the provision of services to clients.

**162.20(4) Staff development.**

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program governing body shall approve written policies and procedures that establish a staff development and training plan, based on an annual needs assessment. Staff development shall include orientation for staff members and opportunities for continuing job-related education.

*b.* The problem gambling treatment program shall institute and document in-service training programs when program operations or functions are changed. In addition, the program shall design in-service training programs to allow staff members to develop new skills so that staff members may effectively adapt to such changes.

*c.* The problem gambling treatment program shall make on-site staff development and activities for professional growth and development available to all personnel. These activities shall be culturally and environmentally specific.

**162.20(5) Procedures manual.** All problem gambling treatment programs shall develop and maintain a procedures manual. The manual shall define the program’s policies and procedures to reflect the program’s activities. Any revision entered in the manual shall include the date and the name and title of the individual making the entries. The manual shall include the required written policies, procedures, definitions, and all other documentation required in this chapter.

**162.20(6) Personnel.** All problem gambling treatment programs shall develop written personnel policies and procedures.

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies and procedures that address the following criteria:

- (1) Recruitment, selection, and credentials of staff members;
- (2) Recruitment and selection of volunteers;
- (3) Wage and salary administration;
- (4) Promotions;
- (5) Employee benefits;
- (6) Working hours;
- (7) Vacation and sick leave;
- (8) Lines of authority;
- (9) Rules of conduct;
- (10) Disciplinary actions and termination of employees;
- (11) Methods for handling cases of inappropriate services to clients;
- (12) Work performance appraisals;
- (13) Employee accidents and safety;

(14) Employee grievances; and

(15) Employee assistance for staff members.

b. The problem gambling treatment program shall ensure that written personnel policies and practices include compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

c. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written job descriptions that reflect the actual duties of the employee.

d. The executive director or program director or designee shall review job descriptions when necessary or whenever there is a change in required qualifications or duties.

e. The problem gambling treatment program shall ensure that all positions have job descriptions included in the personnel section of the procedures manual or personnel record of the staff member.

f. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written personnel policies and practices that include a mechanism for written evaluation of employee performance on at least an annual basis. The program shall provide evidence that each evaluation is reviewed with the employee and that the employee is given the opportunity to respond to the evaluation.

g. The problem gambling treatment program shall have a personnel record for each staff member. These records shall contain, as applicable:

(1) Verification of training, experience and all professional credentials relevant to the position;

(2) Job performance evaluations;

(3) Incident reports;

(4) Disciplinary actions taken; and

(5) Documentation that the employee agrees to follow problem gambling treatment program-related confidentiality laws and rules. This documentation shall occur prior to the employee's assumption of duties.

h. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies and procedures that ensure confidentiality of personnel records and that list authorized personnel who have access to various types of personnel information.

i. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies related to the prohibition of sexual harassment.

j. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies related to the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

k. Staff members who provide treatment services and the clinical director must meet at least one of the following conditions:

(1) Currently maintain active status as a nationally certified gambling counselor or an Iowa-certified gambling counselor.

(2) Have received a minimum of 30 hours of training or education related to problem gambling within the previous 24 months and are working toward certification within a maximum of 24 months as a nationally certified gambling counselor or an Iowa-certified gambling counselor.

(3) Currently maintain active status as a licensed or certified practitioner in a counseling-related field and have received a minimum of 20 hours of training or education related to problem gambling within the previous 24 months.

**162.20(7)** *Child abuse, dependent adult abuse, and criminal history background checks.*

a. Written policies and procedures shall prohibit mistreatment, neglect, or abuse of children and dependent adults and shall specify reporting and enforcement procedures for the problem gambling treatment program. Staff members shall immediately report alleged violations to the executive director or program director or designee and appropriate department of human services personnel. The program shall have written policies and procedures for reporting alleged violations that comply with Iowa department of human services rules. The program shall hold any employee found to be in violation of Iowa Code sections 232.67 to 232.70, as substantiated by a department of human services investigation, subject to the program's policies concerning dismissal.

b. The personnel record for each employee working with clients shall contain at a minimum:

(1) Documentation of a criminal history background check with the Iowa division of criminal investigation on a new applicant for employment asking whether the applicant has been convicted of a crime.

(2) A written, signed and dated statement furnished by a new applicant for employment that discloses any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect or sexual abuse or dependent adult abuse.

(3) For all employees working with or in contact with juveniles, documentation of a background check with the Iowa central child abuse registry on an applicant hired on probationary or temporary status, but prior to permanent employment, for any substantiated reports of child abuse, neglect or sexual abuse pursuant to Iowa Code section 125.14A.

(4) For all employees hired on or after July 1, 1994, and working with or in contact with dependent adults, documentation of a background check with the Iowa central adult abuse registry on an applicant hired on probationary or temporary status, but prior to permanent employment, for any substantiated reports of dependent adult abuse, neglect or sexual abuse pursuant to Iowa Code section 125.14A and chapter 235B.

c. A problem gambling treatment program shall not employ a person to work with juveniles who has a record of a criminal conviction or a founded child abuse report, unless an evaluation of the crime or founded child abuse has been made by the department of human services which concludes that the crime or founded child abuse does not merit prohibition of employment. If a record of criminal conviction or founded child abuse exists, the program shall offer the person with a criminal conviction or founded child abuse the opportunity to complete and submit Form 470-2310, Record Check Evaluation, to the Iowa department of human services. In its evaluation, the department of human services shall consider the nature and seriousness of the crime or founded abuse in relation to the position sought, the time elapsed since the commission of the crime or founded abuse, the circumstances under which the crime or founded abuse was committed, the degree of rehabilitation, and the number of crimes or founded abuses committed by the person.

d. A problem gambling treatment program shall not employ a person to work with dependent adults who has a record of a criminal conviction or a founded dependent adult abuse report, unless an evaluation of the crime or founded dependent adult abuse has been made by the department of human services which concludes that the crime or founded dependent adult abuse does not merit prohibition of employment. If a record of criminal conviction or founded dependent adult abuse exists, the program shall offer the person with a criminal conviction or founded dependent adult abuse the opportunity to complete and submit Form 470-2310, Record Check Evaluation, to the Iowa department of human services. In its evaluation, the department of human services shall consider the nature and seriousness of the crime or founded abuse in relation to the position sought, the time elapsed since the commission of the crime or founded abuse, the circumstances under which the crime or founded abuse was committed, the degree of rehabilitation, and the number of crimes or founded abuses committed by the person.

e. Each problem gambling treatment staff member shall complete two hours of training relating to the identification and reporting of child abuse and dependent adult abuse within six months of initial employment and shall complete at least two hours of additional training every five years thereafter.

**162.20(8)** *Client case record maintenance.* The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies and procedures governing the compilation, storage and dissemination of individual client case records.

a. These policies and procedures shall ensure that:

(1) The problem gambling treatment program exercises its responsibility for safeguarding and protecting the client case record against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure of information;

(2) Content and format of client case records are uniform; and

(3) Entries in the client case record are signed and dated.

b. The problem gambling treatment program shall provide adequate physical facilities for the storage, processing, and handling of client case records. These facilities shall include locked office doors and file cabinets and secure computer storage and storage areas. In those instances where records are maintained electronically, the program shall accept a staff identification code number authorizing access in lieu of a signature.

c. The problem gambling treatment program shall maintain appropriate records readily accessible to both staff members who provide services directly to the client and other persons specifically authorized by program policy. The program shall maintain records in proximity to the area in which the client normally receives services.

d. The problem gambling treatment program shall have a written policy governing the disposal and maintenance of client case records. The program shall maintain any client case record for not less than six years from the date the record is officially closed.

e. The problem gambling treatment program governing body shall establish policies that specify the conditions under which information on applicants or clients may be released and the procedures to be followed for releasing such information, in accordance with HIPAA and other relevant provisions of federal and state law. Program staff members as defined in this chapter may release confidential information with a properly authorized release of information.

f. Confidentiality of client case records. The problem gambling treatment program shall protect the confidentiality of client case records maintained by a program in accordance with HIPAA and other relevant provisions of federal and state law.

**162.20(9) Client screening, admission and assessment.**

a. Client screening. A problem gambling treatment program shall consider a client who is either a problem gambler or a concerned person affected by problem gambling behavior to be eligible for outpatient services if:

(1) Screening of a client, which includes the use of the following tool, determines that the client has a gambling problem if:

1. The gambler meets diagnostic criteria for pathological gambling in the American Psychiatric Association: Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM) of Mental Disorders, version IV; or

2. The gambler does not meet full criteria for pathological gambling but demonstrates two to four of the diagnostic criteria for pathological gambling in the American Psychiatric Association: Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM) of Mental Disorders, version IV.

(2) A concerned person, if any one of the following applies:

1. The individual who gambles excessively, and whose behavior is affecting the concerned person, meets the criteria in subparagraph 162.20(9) "a"(1); or

2. The concerned person meets the criteria of the Gam-Anon 20 questions screening tool.

b. Client admission. The problem gambling treatment program shall determine a client is in need of services if the client meets the criteria in subparagraph 162.20(9) "a"(1) or (2), and may then admit the client to the program. The program shall collect and record prior to or at the time of admission the following intake information on standardized forms for all persons applying for services. The program shall ensure that the following information shall become part of the client case record:

(1) Identifying information, including name, address, and telephone number.

(2) Demographic information, including date of birth, sex, race or ethnicity.

(3) Identification of the referral source.

(4) Presenting problem.

(5) Gambling history, including type, amount, frequency and duration of gambling activity.

(6) A problem gambling treatment screening as described in paragraph 162.20(9) "a."

(7) A GTRS admission form if funded by the Iowa gambling treatment fund.

c. Client assessment. The problem gambling treatment program shall develop a complete assessment which is an analysis and synthesis of the intake data and which addresses the client's strengths, needs, and areas of clinical concern, including any problem gambling-specific goals and objectives the client has identified. The assessment shall be completed within 21 days of admission and shall include the following information:

(1) Legal history describing any involvement with the criminal justice system.

(2) Medical and health history.

(3) Mental health history and current mental health status, including, at a minimum, the use of a version of the Modified-MINI screening tool identified by the department. The program shall be exempt



from the requirement in this subparagraph if the client was referred by a mental health provider that already completed a mental health history and current mental health status.

(4) Suicidal/homicidal assessment including past suicide attempts, method, suicide plan, family history of suicide attempts, and suicidal intent.

(5) Substance abuse history and screening describing current use, past use and treatment history, including, at a minimum, the use of a version of the Texas Christian University screening tool identified by the department. The program shall be exempt from the requirement in this subparagraph if the client was referred by a licensed substance abuse provider that already completed a substance abuse history and screening.

(6) Family history describing family composition and dynamics.

(7) Education status and history documenting levels of achievement.

(8) Vocational or employment status and history describing skills or trades learned, jobs held, duration of employment, and reasons for leaving.

(9) Peers and friends, indicating interpersonal relationships and interaction with persons and groups outside the home.

(10) A financial evaluation and information, including current financial status, gambling debt, any previous bankruptcy or repayment plans, and insurance coverage.

(11) Any other relevant information which shall assist in formulating an initial assessment of the client.

*d.* Problem gambling screening, admission and assessment policies and procedures. The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies and procedures governing uniform screening, admission and assessment, which shall define:

(1) The types of information to be gathered on all problem gambling clients during screening, admission and assessment.

(2) Procedures to be followed to accept referrals from outside agencies or organizations.

(3) The types of records to be kept on all problem gambling clients applying for services.

*e.* The problem gambling treatment program shall ensure that all clinical observations and recommendations are documented in the client case record. If, in the judgment of the clinical director, psychological, psychiatric or further medical examinations are indicated, then the program shall refer the client to the appropriate professional services and document the referral in the client case record.

*f.* When a client refuses to divulge information or to follow the recommended course of treatment, the problem gambling treatment program shall note this refusal in the client case record.

*g.* During the screening and admission process, the program shall document that the client has been informed of:

(1) The general nature and goals of the problem gambling treatment program.

(2) The rules governing client conduct and the infractions that may lead to discharge from the program.

(3) The hours during which services are available.

(4) Problem gambling treatment costs to be borne by the client, if any.

(5) The client's rights and responsibilities.

(6) Confidentiality laws, rules and regulations including HIPAA.

*h.* The problem gambling treatment program shall clearly explain the results of the assessment to the client and to the client's family when appropriate. The problem gambling treatment program shall document this explanation in the client case record.

*i.* The clinical director shall review and approve all client screenings and assessments within 30 days of completion by probationary employees. The clinical director shall review and approve a minimum of 10 percent of all problem gambling client screenings and assessments within 30 days of completion by nonprobationary employees.

*j.* If the client is a minor, the program shall provide treatment services only with the permission of the client's parent or guardian.

**162.20(10) Treatment plans.** The problem gambling treatment program shall have a treatment plan in effect for each client receiving services. Based upon the initial assessment, the program shall develop and record an individualized written treatment plan in the client case record.

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall develop a treatment plan based upon the assessment as soon after the client's admission to the program as is clinically feasible, but not later than 30 days following admission.

*b.* The problem gambling treatment program shall have an individualized treatment plan for each client which, at a minimum, shall contain:

(1) Short-term and long-term goals that the client is attempting to achieve, based on the client's strengths and needs, including any problem gambling-specific goals and objectives that the client has identified.

(2) Time lines for the client to complete short-term and long-term goals and to successfully complete treatment.

(3) Type and frequency of therapeutic problem gambling treatment services which the client is receiving.

(4) Cultural and environmental criteria to meet the needs of the client.

*c.* The problem gambling treatment program shall develop treatment plans in partnership with the client.

*d.* The problem gambling treatment program shall provide the client with copies of all treatment plans upon request.

*e.* The problem gambling treatment program shall review the treatment plan with the client at a minimum of every 60 days or as progress occurs, whichever is sooner. The program shall document each review in the progress notes as required in subrule 162.20(11).

*f.* The problem gambling treatment program shall document that it has attempted to engage in joint treatment planning with other professionals who also provide services to the client.

*g.* If the client is a minor, the problem gambling treatment program shall develop a treatment plan in consultation with the client's parent or guardian.

**162.20(11) Progress notes.**

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall record a client's progress and current status in meeting the goals set in the treatment plan, as well as efforts by staff members to help the client achieve the stated goals in the client case record. Staff members shall record information following each individual counseling session and shall record a summary of group counseling services at least weekly for clients who receive group counseling services.

*b.* The problem gambling treatment program shall use a standard documentation format for progress notes.

*c.* The progress notes for each individual counseling session shall document the following:

(1) Content of the session.

(2) A reassessment of the client's status, including any new short-term or long-term goals which were developed in conjunction with the client.

(3) Efforts by staff members to help the client achieve the treatment plan goals.

(4) Progress in achieving short-term and long-term goals.

(5) A plan to determine future short-term and long-term goals.

*d.* Entries shall be filed in chronological order and shall include the date services were provided or observations made, the amount of service time, the date the entry was made, and the signature or initials and title of the staff member providing the services. Staff members shall enter all progress notes into the client case record in permanent pen or by typewriter or computer. For records maintained electronically, the program shall accept a staff identification code number authorizing access in lieu of a signature.

*e.* Staff members shall supplement all entries that involve subjective interpretations of a client's progress with a description of the actual behavioral observations which were the basis for the interpretation.

*f.* If a client is also receiving services from an outside resource, the program shall attempt to periodically provide an updated status report to the outside resource, and shall attempt to:

- (1) Secure a written copy of status reports and other client records from the outside resource, and
- (2) Engage in joint treatment planning with other professionals involved in the management of the client's case.

*g.* The problem gambling treatment program shall ensure that individual progress notes are written, typed or dictated within one working day of the session and that group progress notes are written, typed or dictated within five working days of the session.

**162.20(12) Client case record contents.** The problem gambling treatment program shall ensure that there is a case record for each client that contains, as applicable:

- a.* Results of all examinations, tests, screening, and admission information;
- b.* Reports from referring sources;
- c.* An assessment;
- d.* Treatment plans;
- e.* Date of report from an outside resource or documentation of verbal consultation with an outside resource including the name of the resource;
- f.* Documentation of multidisciplinary case conferences and consultations, including the date of the conference or consultation, recommendations made, actions taken, and individuals involved;
- g.* Correspondence related to the client, including all letters and dated notations of telephone conversations relevant to the client's treatment;
- h.* Treatment consent forms;
- i.* Release of information forms;
- j.* Progress notes;
- k.* Records of services provided;
- l.* A discharge summary of services provided, to be completed within 45 days of discharge.

The program shall ensure that the discharge summaries are sufficiently detailed to identify the types of services the client has received and the actions taken to address the specific problems identified. The discharge planning process shall begin at the time of client admission, shall determine a client's continued need for treatment services, and shall include development of a plan to address ongoing client posttreatment needs. Discharge planning may also include a document identified as a discharge plan. Discharge of the client shall occur not later than 45 days after services have ceased. If the client is a minor, staff members shall develop the discharge plan in consultation with the client's parent or guardian;

- m.* GTRS forms if funded by the Iowa gambling treatment fund, or other appropriate data forms;
- n.* Incident reports; and
- o.* Documentation of all missed appointments and failure to comply with treatment recommendations.

In describing services, staff members shall avoid general terms such as "counseling" or "activities."

**162.20(13) Medical services.**

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall have policies and procedures developed to ensure that a medical history for all clients is completed upon admission to a treatment program. The program shall have policies and procedures developed in conjunction with a physician. The program policies and procedures shall specify how program staff members review the medical history of, examine, and evaluate persons seeking services, and shall specify when staff members refer clients to medical services.

*b.* The program shall ensure that the medical history is performed as soon as possible.

*c.* A program may accept a medical history from referral sources which was conducted not more than 90 days prior to admission.

**162.20(14) Emergency medical services.** The problem gambling treatment program shall have policies and procedures to address medical emergencies.

**162.20(15) Sentinel events.**

*a.* The problem gambling treatment program shall have written policies and procedures to identify sentinel events that include but are not limited to:

- (1) Situations in which a client or staff member is determined to be a danger to self or others;

- (2) Any injury occurring at the facility;
  - (3) Any child abuse or dependent adult abuse involving a client or involving a program staff member as the respondent;
  - (4) Vehicular accidents involving a staff member on program business or involving a program-owned vehicle;
  - (5) Abuse of licit substances on program property;
  - (6) Use or possession of illicit substances on program property;
  - (7) Any events which may be subject to litigation; and
  - (8) Any other event which the program considers a sentinel event.
- b. The problem gambling treatment program shall identify and respond appropriately to all sentinel events.

**162.20(16) *Quality improvement.*** The problem gambling treatment program shall have an ongoing quality improvement plan primarily designed to improve client services and to resolve identified problems.

- a. The program shall have a written plan for quality improvement that is designed to evaluate the quality and appropriateness of client services and to resolve identified problems.
- b. Staff members shall document program progress in the quality improvement plan.
- c. Staff members shall document program changes in the quality improvement plan.
- d. Staff members shall document how the quality of client services is improved by means of the quality improvement plan.
- e. Staff members shall identify problems resolved through actions taken in compliance with the quality improvement plan.
- f. The program shall demonstrate that problem gambling treatment modalities are grounded in current best practices within the problem gambling treatment field.
- g. The program shall demonstrate integration of available research-based findings into its clinical practice.
- h. The program shall have written policies and procedures for incorporating client satisfaction, treatment outcomes and performance measurement data into the quality improvement plan and shall demonstrate that findings from these data sources have been used to monitor and improve program performance.

**162.20(17) *Facility construction and safety.*** All facilities in which clients receive screenings, assessments or treatment services shall be designed, constructed, equipped, and maintained in a manner that is designed to provide for the physical safety of clients, staff members, visitors, and others.

- a. If required by local jurisdiction, the program shall display a certification of occupancy.
- b. During all phases of construction or alterations of facilities, the program and construction contractor shall not diminish the level of life safety in any occupied area. The program shall ensure that construction is in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local codes.
- c. New construction shall comply with Iowa Code chapter 104A and all applicable federal and local codes and provide for safe and convenient use by disabled individuals.
- d. The program shall have written policies and procedures to provide a safe environment for clients, personnel, and visitors and to monitor that environment. Staff members shall document implementation of the procedures. The program's written policies and procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
  - (1) A process for the identification, development, implementation, and review of safety policies and procedures for all facilities and services.
  - (2) The promotion and maintenance of an ongoing, facilitywide hazard surveillance program to detect and report all safety hazards related to clients, visitors, and personnel.
  - (3) The process by which staff members dispose of biohazardous waste within clinical service areas.
  - (4) For all facilities, the program shall:
    1. Maintain all stairway, hall, and aisle floors with a substantial nonslippery material. The program shall maintain all stairways, halls, and aisles in a good state of repair, with adequate lighting. The

program shall ensure that halls and aisles are free from obstructions at all times and that all stairways have handrails.

2. Ensure that radiators, registers, and steam and hot water pipes have protective covering or insulation and that electrical outlets and switches have wall plates.

3. Have written procedures for the handling and storage of hazardous materials.

4. Have policies and procedures for weapons removal.

5. Maintain swimming pools in conformance with state and local health and safety regulations.

The program shall ensure that adult supervision is available at all times during which children are using the pool.

6. Have policies regarding fishing ponds, lakes, or any bodies of water located on or near the facility and accessible to the client.

**162.20(18) Facility safety.** The problem gambling treatment program shall:

a. Ensure that the outpatient facility is safe, clean, well-ventilated, properly heated, free from vermin and rodents and in good repair.

b. Ensure that the facility is appropriate for providing those services available from the program and for protecting confidentiality.

c. Ensure that furniture is in good repair.

d. Have a written plan outlining procedures to be followed in the event of fire or tornado. This plan shall be conspicuously displayed in the facility.

**162.20(19) Therapeutic environment.** The problem gambling treatment program shall establish an environment that enhances the positive self-image of clients and preserves their human dignity. The program shall:

a. Ensure that all services are accessible to people with disabilities or have written policies and procedures that describe how people with disabilities can attain access to the facility for necessary services. The program shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

b. Ensure that the waiting or reception areas are of adequate size, have appropriate furniture and are located to ensure confidentiality.

c. Ensure that staff members are available to address the needs of clients and to greet clients and visitors.

d. Prohibit smoking within each facility.

e. Ensure that no staff member or other person sells, gives, or otherwise supplies any tobacco, tobacco products, or cigarettes to any client or staff member. The program shall not allow a person under the age of 18 to smoke, use, purchase, or attempt to purchase any tobacco, tobacco products, or cigarettes.

f. Have written policies and procedures to:

(1) Inform problem gambling clients of their legal and human rights at the time of admission to the program;

(2) Address client communication, opinions, or grievances and have a mechanism for redress;

(3) Address prohibition of sexual harassment; and

(4) Address a client's right to privacy.

**162.20(20) Financial counseling services.**

a. The program shall offer financial counseling services to clients. Financial counseling services shall be provided in-house or through consultation.

b. If the problem gambling treatment program determines that the client has financial problems, then financial counseling services shall include assisting clients in preparing a budget and discussing financial debt options, including restitution and bankruptcy.

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CHAPTER 170  
DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION  
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**641—170.1(17A) Definitions.**

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Director*” means the director of public health.

**641—170.2(17A) State board of health.** The state board of health, which consists of nine members, appointed by the governor, is the policymaking body for the Iowa department of public health and has the power and duty to adopt, promulgate, amend and repeal rules, consider legislation, and advise or make recommendations to the governor, general assembly, and director relative to public health, hygiene, and sanitation. The state board of health meets on the second Wednesday in July and on the second Wednesday on each second month thereafter and at such other time as may be deemed necessary by the president of the board.

**641—170.3(17A) Director of public health.** The director is the chief administrative officer of the department, and in that capacity directs and administers the programs and services of the department. The duties of the director include: recommendations to the state board of health; the adoption of rules for the implementation of statutes; service as secretary to the state board of health; the establishment of the administrative organization; and other actions to administer and direct the department’s programs.

**641—170.4(17A,135) Administrative divisions of the department.** There are five divisions in the department, each directed by a division director who reports to the department director.

**170.4(1) *Division of central administration/professional licensure.*** The division provides support to department staff in functions of fiscal, personnel, office services, data entry, statistics, computer management, communications, special projects, administrative rules, and legislative liaison activities. The division is also responsible for carrying out Iowa Code chapter 144 (Vital Statistics Act). Staff support in licensing and certification is provided to the following boards of examiners: barber, chiropractic, cosmetology, dietetic, hearing aid dealer, mortuary science, nursing home administrator, ophthalmic dispenser, optometry, physical and occupational therapy, physician assistant, podiatry, psychology, respiratory care therapist, social work, speech pathology and audiology.

**170.4(2) *Office of health planning.*** The office of health planning provides interagency staffing for the Iowa health data commission and for ad hoc committees and task forces. The certificate of need program is administered by the office of health planning. Staff also provides for coordination of primary care. The office of rural health is administered by the office of health planning, providing technical assistance and resources to communities throughout the state. A nursing grant program is administered by the office of rural health. The office of health planning also coordinates the department’s county health planning effort. The office also functions in the designation of health manpower shortage areas and in the review of health maintenance organizations.

**170.4(3) *Division of disease prevention.*** The division of disease prevention is responsible for collecting data and determining the frequency with which infectious diseases occur within Iowa’s population. This includes diseases transmitted from animals to humans. Advice and assistance are provided to local communities pertaining to the incidence and control of all communicable diseases. Disease control programs are conducted for such diseases as hospital-acquired infections, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, vaccine-preventable diseases, and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS). Active monitoring of disease occurrence, case investigations, and medical consultation in diagnosis, treatment, and control are conducted daily.

Environmental health programs include asbestos and polychlorinated biphenyls compliance monitoring and toxic substance evaluations regarding toxic waste sites.

Health engineering and consumer safety programs focus on compliance with U.S. Public Health Service milk standards, various environmental water quality problems, a swimming pool and spa registration and inspection program, and product safety recalls.

Radiological health programs include the registration and licensure of radiation-emitting equipment and radiation operators. Radioactive materials are licensed and inspected, ensuring low-level radiation exposure. Radon mitigation, testing and control programs are also administered.

The division is responsible for approving laboratories that desire to perform drug testing services for businesses located or doing business in Iowa and for issuing tattoo establishment and tattoo artist permits.

The refugee health program provides interpreter services to health providers in all areas of medical and public health concern.

The emergency medical services program is responsible for the training and certification of basic care providers and for the authorization of advanced care services.

The division also maintains a centralized registry for brain and spinal cord injuries and a reporting and surveillance system for agricultural and other work-related injuries.

**170.4(4) *Division of family and community health.*** The division of family and community health provides support for local public health services throughout Iowa, including public health nursing services, well-elderly clinics, homemaker-home health aide services, genetic counseling services, dental public health services, maternal and child health services, family planning services, adolescent health, child health specialty clinics, and nutrition services. The division also administers the disability prevention program and reimbursement for chronic renal disease services and in-home nonnursing homemaker services for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-infected persons.

The division establishes program standards and assists communities to develop services by providing technical assistance, monitoring, and financial support. Most of the services are provided through contracts with city or county governmental units or agencies serving a county or regional area. Additional services are provided directly by division staff and through contracts with the University of Iowa.

**170.4(5) *Division of substance abuse.*** The division of substance abuse administers the statewide substance (alcohol and other drugs) abuse prevention and treatment programs of the department. Policy is established by the nine-member commission on substance abuse appointed by the governor. The primary functions of the division include: licensure of substance abuse treatment programs; administration (planning, allocation and monitoring) of federal and state funds for substance abuse prevention and treatment efforts; provision of training opportunities for substance abuse program personnel, and provision of technical assistance on substance prevention and treatment to programs and communities.

**641—170.5(17A) Central office.** The address of the central office is: Iowa Department of Public Health, Third Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Location of specific offices and the regional offices may be obtained by writing to the department at the aforesaid address.

**641—170.6(17A) Business hours.** The normal business hours of the department are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

**641—170.7(17A) Submission of materials.** Request for applications, submission of applications, and other materials shall be made directly to the division of the department administering the program involved. Any person who submits materials should enclose a cover letter which states the use for which the materials are intended. Where the rules give specific procedure, such procedure should be followed.

**641—170.8(17A) Request for information.** Request for information concerning programs within the department should be addressed or telephoned to the specific division of the department. General requests for information may be made to: Public Information Section, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 135.11.

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CHAPTER 171  
PETITIONS FOR RULE MAKING  
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**641—171.1(17A) Petition for rule making.**

**171.1(1)** Any person or agency may file a petition for rule making with the Director, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. A petition is deemed filed when it is received by that office. The department must provide the petitioner with a file-stamped copy of the petition if the petitioner provides the agency an extra copy for this purpose. The petition must be typewritten, or legibly handwritten in ink and must substantially conform to the following form:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Petition by (Name of Petitioner) for the (adoption, amendment, or repeal) of rules relating to (state subject matter).	 PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

The petition must provide the following information:

1. A statement of the specific rule-making action sought by the petitioner including the text or a summary of the contents of the proposed rule or amendment to a rule and, if it is a petition to amend or repeal a rule, a citation and the relevant language to the particular portion or portions of the rule proposed to be amended or repealed.
2. A citation to any law deemed relevant to the department’s authority to take the action urged or to the desirability of that action.
3. A brief summary of petitioner’s arguments in support of the action urged in the petition.
4. A brief summary of any data supporting the action urged in the petition.
5. The names and addresses of other persons, or a description of any class of persons, known by petitioner to be affected by or interested in, the proposed action which is the subject of the petition.
6. Any request by petitioner for a meeting provided for by rule 171.4(17A).

**171.1(2)** The petition must be dated and signed by the petitioner or the petitioner’s representative. It must also include the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner’s representative, and a statement indicating the person to whom communications concerning the petition should be directed.

**171.1(3)** The department may deny a petition because it does not substantially conform to the required form.

**641—171.2(17A) Briefs.** The petitioner may attach a brief to the petition in support of the action urged in the petition. The department may request a brief from the petitioner or from any other person concerning the substance of the petition.

**641—171.3(17A) Inquiries.** Inquiries concerning the status of a petition for rule making may be made to the Director, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**641—171.4(17A) Department consideration.**

**171.4(1)** Within 14 days after the filing of a petition, the department must submit a copy of the petition and any accompanying brief to the administrative rules coordinator and to the administrative rules review committee. Upon request by petitioner in the petition, the department must schedule a brief and informal meeting between the petitioner and a member of the staff of the department, to discuss the petition. The department may request the petitioner to submit additional information or argument concerning the petition. The department may also solicit comments from any person on the substance of the petition. Also, comments on the substance of the petition may be submitted to the department by any person.

**171.4(2)** Within 60 days after the filing of the petition, or within any longer period agreed to by the petitioner, the department must, in writing, deny the petition, and notify petitioner of its action and the specific grounds for the denial, or grant the petition and notify petitioner that it has instituted rule-making proceedings on the subject of the petition. Petitioner shall be deemed notified of the denial or grant of the petition on the date when the department mails or delivers the required notification to petitioner.

**171.4(3)** Denial of a petition because it does not substantially conform to the required form does not preclude the filing of a new petition on the same subject that seeks to eliminate the grounds for the agency's rejection of the petition.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 17A as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202.


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CHAPTER 172  
DECLARATORY ORDERS  
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**641—172.1(17A) Petition for declaratory order.** Any person may file a petition with the department of public health for a declaratory order as to the applicability to specified circumstances of a statute, rule, or order within the primary jurisdiction of the Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. A petition is deemed filed when it is received by that office. The department shall provide the petitioner with a file-stamped copy of the petition if the petitioner provides the department an extra copy for this purpose. The petition must be typewritten or legibly handwritten in ink and must substantially conform to the following form:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Petition by (Name of Petitioner) for a Declaratory Order on (Cite provisions of law involved).	 PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER

The petition must provide the following information:

1. A clear and concise statement of all relevant facts on which the order is requested.
2. A citation and the relevant language of the specific statutes, rules, policies, decisions, or orders, whose applicability is questioned, and any other relevant law.
3. The questions petitioner wants answered, stated clearly and concisely.
4. The answers to the questions desired by the petitioner and a summary of the reasons urged by the petitioner in support of those answers.
5. The reasons for requesting the declaratory order and disclosure of the petitioner’s interest in the outcome.
6. A statement indicating whether the petitioner is currently a party to another proceeding involving the questions at issue and whether, to the petitioner’s knowledge, those questions have been decided by, are pending determination by, or are under investigation by, any governmental entity.
7. The names and addresses of other persons, or a description of any class of persons, known by petitioner to be affected by, or interested in, the questions presented in the petition.
8. Any request by petitioner for a meeting provided for by 172.7(17A).

The petition must be dated and signed by the petitioner or the petitioner’s representative. It must also include the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner’s representative and a statement indicating the person to whom communications concerning the petition should be directed.

**641—172.2(17A) Notice of petition.** Within 15 days after receipt of a petition for a declaratory order, the department shall give notice of the petition to all persons not served by the petitioner pursuant to 172.6(17A) to whom notice is required by any provision of law. The department may also give notice to any other persons.

**641—172.3(17A) Intervention.**

**172.3(1)** Persons who qualify under any applicable provision of law as an intervenor and who file a petition for intervention within 20 days of the filing of a petition for declaratory order shall be allowed to intervene in a proceeding for a declaratory order.

**172.3(2)** Any person who files a petition for intervention at any time prior to the issuance of an order may be allowed to intervene in a proceeding for a declaratory order at the discretion of the department.

**172.3(3)** A petition for intervention shall be filed at the Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. Such a petition is deemed filed when it is received by that office. The department will provide the petitioner with a file-stamped copy of the petition for

intervention if the petitioner provides an extra copy for this purpose. A petition for intervention must be typewritten or legibly handwritten in ink and must substantially conform to the following form:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Petition by (Name of Original Petitioner) for a Declaratory Order on (Cite provisions of law cited in original petition).	}  PETITION FOR INTERVENTION

The petition for intervention must provide the following information:

1. Facts supporting the intervenor's standing and qualifications for intervention.
2. The answers urged by the intervenor to the question or questions presented and a summary of the reasons urged in support of those answers.
3. Reasons for requesting intervention and disclosure of the intervenor's interest in the outcome.
4. A statement indicating whether the intervenor is currently a party to any proceeding involving the questions at issue and whether, to the intervenor's knowledge, those questions have been decided by, are pending determination by, or are under investigation by, any governmental entity.
5. The names and addresses of any additional persons, or a description of any additional class of persons, known by the intervenor to be affected by, or interested in, the questions presented.
6. Whether the intervenor consents to be bound by the determination of the matters presented in the declaratory order proceeding.

The petition must be dated and signed by the intervenor or the intervenor's representative. It must also include the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the intervenor and intervenor's representative, and a statement indicating the person to whom communications should be directed.

**641—172.4(17A) Briefs.** The petitioner or any intervenor may file a brief in support of the position urged. The department may request a brief from the petitioner, any intervenor, or any other person concerning the questions raised.

**641—172.5(17A) Inquiries.** Inquiries concerning the status of a declaratory order proceeding may be made to the Director, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**641—172.6(17A) Service and filing of petitions and other papers.**

**172.6(1) Service—when required.** Except where otherwise provided by law, every petition for declaratory order, petition for intervention, brief, or other paper filed in a proceeding for a declaratory order shall be served upon each of the parties of record to the proceeding, and on all other persons identified in the petition for declaratory order or petition for intervention as affected by or interested in the questions presented, simultaneously with their filing. The party filing a document is responsible for service on all parties and other affected or interested persons.

**172.6(2) Filing—when required.** All petitions for declaratory orders, petitions for intervention, briefs, or other papers in a proceeding for a declaratory order shall be filed with the Director, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. All petitions, briefs, or other papers that are required to be served upon a party shall be filed simultaneously with the department.

**172.6(3) Method of service, time of filing, and proof of mailing.** Method of service, time of filing, and proof of mailing shall be as provided by 641—173.12(17A).

**641—172.7(17A) Consideration.** Upon request by petitioner, the department must schedule a brief and informal meeting between the original petitioner, all intervenors, and a member of the staff of the department, to discuss the questions raised. The department may solicit comments from any person on the questions raised. Also, comments on the questions raised may be submitted to the department by any person.



**641—172.8(17A) Action on petition.**

**172.8(1)** Within the time allowed by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 13(5), after receipt of a petition for a declaratory order, the department or designee shall take action on the petition as required by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 13(5).

**172.8(2)** The date of issuance of an order or of a refusal to issue an order is as defined in 641—173.2(17A).

**641—172.9(17A) Refusal to issue order.**

**172.9(1)** The department shall not issue a declaratory order where prohibited by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 13(1), and may refuse to issue a declaratory order on some or all questions raised for the following reasons:

1. The petition does not substantially comply with the required form.
2. The petition does not contain facts sufficient to demonstrate that the petitioner will be aggrieved or adversely affected by the failure of the department to issue an order.
3. The department does not have jurisdiction over the questions presented in the petition.
4. The questions presented by the petition are also presented in a current rule making, contested case, or other agency or judicial proceeding, that may definitively resolve them.
5. The questions presented by the petition would more properly be resolved in a different type of proceeding or by another body with jurisdiction over the matter.
6. The facts or questions presented in the petition are unclear, overbroad, insufficient, or otherwise inappropriate as a basis upon which to issue an order.
7. There is no need to issue an order because the questions raised in the petition have been settled due to a change in circumstances.
8. The petition is not based upon facts calculated to aid in the planning of future conduct but is, instead, based solely upon prior conduct in an effort to establish the effect of that conduct or to challenge an agency decision already made.
9. The petition requests a declaratory order that would necessarily determine the legal rights, duties, or responsibilities of other persons who have not joined in the petition, intervened separately, or filed a similar petition and whose position on the questions presented may fairly be presumed to be adverse to that of petitioner.
10. The petitioner requests the department to determine whether a statute is unconstitutional on its face.

**172.9(2)** A refusal to issue a declaratory order must indicate the specific grounds for the refusal and constitutes final agency action on the petition.

**172.9(3)** Refusal to issue a declaratory order pursuant to this provision does not preclude the filing of a new petition that seeks to eliminate the grounds for the refusal to issue an order.

**641—172.10(17A) Contents of declaratory order—effective date.** In addition to the order itself, a declaratory order must contain the date of its issuance, the name of petitioner and all intervenors, the specific statutes, rules, policies, decisions, or orders involved, the particular facts upon which it is based, and the reasons for its conclusion. A declaratory order is effective on the date of issuance.

**641—172.11(17A) Copies of orders.** A copy of all orders issued in response to a petition for a declaratory order shall be mailed promptly to the original petitioner and all intervenors.

**641—172.12(17A) Effect of a declaratory order.** A declaratory order has the same status and binding effect as a final order issued in a contested case proceeding. It is binding on the department, the petitioner, and any intervenors and is applicable only in circumstances where the relevant facts and the law involved are indistinguishable from those on which the order was based. As to all other persons, a declaratory

order serves only as precedent and is not binding on the department. The issuance of a declaratory order constitutes final agency action on the petition.

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CHAPTER 173  
CONTESTED CASES

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**641—173.1(17A) Scope and applicability.** This chapter applies to contested case proceedings conducted by the department of public health.

**641—173.2(17A) Definitions.** Except where otherwise specifically defined by law:

“*Contested case*” means a proceeding defined by Iowa Code section 17A.2(5) and includes any matter defined as a no factual dispute contested case under 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 14.

“*Issuance*” means the date of mailing of a decision or order or date of delivery if service is by other means unless another date is specified in the order.

“*Party*” means each person or agency named or admitted as a party or properly seeking and entitled as of right to be admitted as a party.

“*Presiding officer*” means an administrative law judge from the department of inspections and appeals or the director of the department or the members of a multimember board or commission.

“*Proposed decision*” means the presiding officer’s recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, decision, and order in a contested case in which the department did not preside.

**641—173.3(17A) Time requirements.**

**173.3(1)** Time shall be computed as provided in Iowa Code subsection 4.1(34).

**173.3(2)** For good cause, the presiding officer may extend or shorten the time to take any action, except as precluded by statute or by rule. Except for good cause stated in the record, before extending or shortening the time to take any action, the presiding officer shall afford all parties an opportunity to be heard or to file written arguments.

**641—173.4(17A) Requests for contested case proceeding.** Any person claiming an entitlement to a contested case proceeding shall file a written request for such a proceeding within the time specified by the particular rules or statutes governing the subject matter or, in the absence of such law, the time specified in the agency action in question.

The request for a contested case proceeding should state the name and address of the requester, identify the specific department action which is disputed, and where the requester is represented by a lawyer identify the provisions of law or precedent requiring or authorizing the holding of a contested case proceeding in the particular circumstances involved, and include a short and plain statement of the issues of material fact in dispute.

**641—173.5(17A) Notice of hearing.**

**173.5(1) Delivery.** Delivery of the notice of hearing constitutes the commencement of the contested case proceeding. Delivery may be executed by:

- a. Personal service as provided in the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure; or
- b. Certified mail, return receipt requested; or
- c. First-class mail; or
- d. Publication, as provided in the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure.

**173.5(2) Contents.** The notice of hearing shall contain the following information:

- a. A statement of the time, place, and nature of the hearing;
- b. A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held;
- c. A reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved;
- d. A short and plain statement of the matters asserted. If the department or other party is unable to state the matters in detail at the time the notice is served, the initial notice may be limited to a statement of the issues involved. Thereafter, upon application, a more definite and detailed statement shall be furnished;

e. Identification of all parties including the name, address and telephone number of the person who will act as advocate for the department or the state and of parties’ counsel where known;

- f.* Reference to the procedural rules governing conduct of the contested case proceeding;
- g.* Reference to the procedural rules governing informal settlement;
- h.* Identification of the presiding officer, if known. If not known, a description of who will serve as presiding officer; and
- i.* Notification of the time period in which a party may request, pursuant to 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 15(1), and rule 173.6(17A), that the presiding officer be an administrative law judge.

**641—173.6(17A) Presiding officer.**

**173.6(1)** Any party who wishes to request that the presiding officer assigned to render a proposed decision be an administrative law judge employed by the department of inspections and appeals must file a written request within 20 days after service of a notice of hearing which identifies or describes the presiding officer as the director of the department or members of the department.

**173.6(2)** The department may deny the request only upon a finding that one or more of the following apply:

- a.* Neither the department nor any officer of the department under whose authority the contested case is to take place is a named party to the proceeding or a real party in interest to that proceeding.
- b.* There is a compelling need to expedite issuance of a final decision in order to protect the public health, safety, or welfare.
- c.* An administrative law judge with the qualifications identified in subrule 173.6(4) is unavailable to hear the case within a reasonable time.
- d.* The case involves significant policy issues of first impression that are inextricably intertwined with the factual issues presented.
- e.* The demeanor of the witnesses is likely to be dispositive in resolving the disputed factual issues.
- f.* Funds are unavailable to pay the costs of an administrative law judge and an interagency appeal.
- g.* The request was not timely filed.
- h.* The request is not consistent with a specified statute.

**173.6(3)** The department shall issue a written ruling specifying the grounds for its decision within 20 days after a request for an administrative law judge is filed. If the ruling is contingent upon the availability of an administrative law judge with the qualifications identified in subrule 173.6(4), the parties shall be notified at least 10 days prior to hearing if a qualified administrative law judge will not be available.

**173.6(4)** An administrative law judge assigned to act as presiding officer in a contested case shall have the following technical expertness unless waived by the department: a J.D. degree.

**173.6(5)** Except as provided otherwise by another provision of law, all rulings by an administrative law judge acting as presiding officer are subject to appeal to the department. A party must seek any available intra-agency appeal in order to exhaust adequate administrative remedies.

**173.6(6)** Unless otherwise provided by law, the director of the department and members of multimember boards and commissions, when reviewing a proposed decision upon intra-agency appeal, shall have the powers of and shall comply with the provisions of this chapter which apply to presiding officers.

**641—173.7(17A) Waiver of procedures.** Unless otherwise precluded by law, the parties in a contested case proceeding may waive any provision of this chapter. However, the department in its discretion may refuse to give effect to such a waiver when it deems the waiver to be inconsistent with the public interest.

**641—173.8(17A) Telephone proceedings.** The presiding officer may resolve preliminary procedural motions by telephone conference in which all parties have an opportunity to participate. Other telephone proceedings may be held with the consent of all parties. The presiding officer will determine the location of the parties and witnesses for telephone hearings. The convenience of the witnesses or parties, as well as the nature of the case, will be considered when location is chosen.

**641—173.9(17A) Disqualification.**

**173.9(1)** A presiding officer or other person shall withdraw from participation in the making of any proposed or final decision in a contested case if that person:

- a.* Has a personal bias or prejudice concerning a party or a representative of a party;
- b.* Has personally investigated, prosecuted or advocated in connection with that case, the specific controversy underlying that case, another pending factually related contested case, or a pending factually related controversy that may culminate in a contested case involving the same parties;
- c.* Is subject to the authority, direction or discretion of any person who has personally investigated, prosecuted or advocated in connection with that contested case, the specific controversy underlying that contested case, or a pending factually related contested case or controversy involving the same parties;
- d.* Has acted as counsel to any person who is a private party to that proceeding within the past two years;
- e.* Has a personal financial interest in the outcome of the case or any other significant personal interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the case;
- f.* Has a spouse or relative within the third degree of relationship that (1) is a party to the case, or an officer, director or trustee of a party; (2) is a lawyer in the case; (3) is known to have an interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the case; or (4) is likely to be a material witness in the case; or
- g.* Has any other legally sufficient cause to withdraw from participation in the decision making in that case.

**173.9(2)** The term “personally investigated” means taking affirmative steps to interview witnesses directly or to obtain documents or other information directly. The term “personally investigated” does not include general direction and supervision of assigned investigators, unsolicited receipt of information which is relayed to assigned investigators, review of another person’s investigative work product in the course of determining whether there is probable cause to initiate a proceeding, or exposure to factual information while performing other agency functions, including fact gathering for purposes other than investigation of the matter which culminates in a contested case. Factual information relevant to the merits of a contested case received by a person who later serves as presiding officer in that case shall be disclosed if required by Iowa Code section 17A.17 as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 19, and subrules 173.9(3) and 173.23(9).

**173.9(3)** In a situation where a presiding officer or other person knows of information which might reasonably be deemed to be a basis for disqualification and decides voluntary withdrawal is unnecessary, that person shall submit the relevant information for the record by affidavit and shall provide for the record a statement of the reasons for the determination that withdrawal is unnecessary.

**173.9(4)** If a party asserts disqualification on any appropriate ground, including those listed in subrule 173.9(1), the party shall file a motion supported by an affidavit pursuant to 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 19(7). The motion must be filed as soon as practicable after the reason alleged in the motion becomes known to the party.

If the presiding officer determines that disqualification is appropriate, the presiding officer or other person shall withdraw. If the presiding officer determines that withdrawal is not required, the presiding officer shall enter an order to that effect. A party asserting disqualification may seek an interlocutory appeal under rule 173.25(17A) and seek a stay under rule 173.29(17A).

**641—173.10(17A) Consolidation—severance.**

**173.10(1)** *Consolidation.* The presiding officer may consolidate any or all matters at issue in two or more contested case proceedings where (a) the matters at issue involve common parties or common questions of fact or law; (b) consolidation would expedite and simplify consideration of the issues involved; and (c) consolidation would not adversely affect the rights of any of the parties to those proceedings.

**173.10(2)** *Severance.* The presiding officer may, for good cause shown, order any contested case proceedings or portions thereof severed.

**641—173.11(17A) Pleadings.**

**173.11(1)** Pleadings may be required by rule, by the notice of hearing, or by order of the presiding officer.

**173.11(2)** Answer. An answer shall be filed within 20 days of service of the notice of hearing unless otherwise ordered. A party may move to dismiss or apply for a more definite and detailed statement when appropriate.

An answer shall show on whose behalf it is filed and specifically admit, deny, or otherwise answer all material allegations of the notice of hearing to which it responds. It shall state any facts deemed to show an affirmative defense and contain as many additional defenses as the pleader may claim.

An answer shall state the name, address and telephone number of the person filing the answer, the person or entity on whose behalf it is filed, and the attorney representing that person, if any.

Any allegation in the notice of hearing not denied in the answer is considered admitted. The presiding officer may refuse to consider any defense not raised in the answer which could have been raised on the basis of facts known when the answer was filed if any party would be prejudiced.

**173.11(3)** Amendment. Notices of hearing and answers may be amended with the consent of the parties or in the discretion of the presiding officer who may impose terms or grant a continuance.

**641—173.12(17A) Service and filing of pleadings and other papers.**

**173.12(1)** *Service—when required.* Except where otherwise provided by law, every document filed in a contested case proceeding shall be served upon each of the parties of record to the proceeding, including the person designated as prosecutor for the state or the department, simultaneously with their filing. Except for the original notice of hearing and an application for rehearing as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.16(2), the party filing a document is responsible for service on all parties.

**173.12(2)** *Service—how made.* Service upon a party represented by an attorney shall be made upon the attorney unless otherwise ordered. Service is made by delivery or by mailing a copy to the person's last-known address. Service by mail is complete upon mailing, except where otherwise specifically provided by statute, rule, or order.

**173.12(3)** *Filing—when required.* After the notice of hearing, all documents in a contested case proceeding shall be filed with the Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. All documents that are required to be served upon a party shall be filed simultaneously with the department.

**173.12(4)** *Filing—when made.* Except where otherwise provided by law, a document is deemed filed at the time it is delivered to the department, delivered to an established courier service for immediate delivery to that office, or mailed by first-class mail or state interoffice mail to that office, so long as there is proof of mailing.

**173.12(5)** *Proof of mailing.* Proof of mailing includes either: a legible United States Postal Service postmark on the envelope, a certificate of service, a notarized affidavit, or a certification in substantially the following form:

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of Iowa that, on (date of mailing), I mailed copies of (describe document) addressed to the Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, and to the names and addresses of the parties listed below by depositing the same in (a United States post office mailbox with correct postage properly affixed or state interoffice mail).

(Date)

(Signature)

**641—173.13(17A) Discovery.**

**173.13(1)** Discovery procedures applicable in civil actions are applicable in contested cases. Unless lengthened or shortened by these rules or by order of the presiding officer, time periods for compliance with discovery shall be as provided in the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure.

**173.13(2)** Any motion relating to discovery shall allege that the moving party has previously made a good-faith attempt to resolve the discovery issues involved with the opposing party. Motions in regard to

discovery shall be ruled upon by the presiding officer. Opposing parties shall be afforded the opportunity to respond within ten days of the filing of the motion unless the time is shortened as provided in subrule 173.13(1). The presiding officer may rule on the basis of the written motion and any response, or may order argument on the motion.

**173.13(3)** Evidence obtained in discovery may be used in the contested case proceeding if that evidence would otherwise be admissible in that proceeding.

**641—173.14(17A,135) Subpoenas.**

**173.14(1)** *Investigatory subpoenas.*

*a.* The department may subpoena books, papers, records, and other real evidence which is necessary for the department to decide whether to institute a contested case proceeding. Each subpoena shall contain:

- (1) The name and address of the person to whom the subpoena is directed;
- (2) A description of the books, papers, records or other real evidence requested;
- (3) The date, time and location for production, or inspection and copying;
- (4) The time within which a motion to quash or modify the subpoena must be filed;
- (5) The signature, address and telephone number of the division director or designee;
- (6) The date of issuance;
- (7) A return of service.

*b.* Any person who is aggrieved or adversely affected by compliance with the subpoena and who desires to challenge the subpoena must, within 14 days after service of the subpoena, or before the time specified for compliance if such time is less than 14 days, file with the department a motion to quash or modify the subpoena. The motion shall describe the legal reasons why the subpoena should be quashed or modified, and may be accompanied by legal briefs or factual affidavits.

*c.* Upon receipt of a timely motion to quash or modify a subpoena, the department may request an administrative law judge to issue a decision. Oral argument may be scheduled at the discretion of the administrative law judge. The administrative law judge may quash or modify the subpoena, deny the motion, or issue an appropriate protective order.

*d.* A person who is aggrieved by a ruling of an administrative law judge and who desires to challenge that ruling must appeal the ruling to the department by serving on the department director, either in person or by certified mail, a notice of appeal within ten days after service of the decision of the administrative law judge.

*e.* If the person contesting the subpoena is not the person under investigation, the department's decision is final for purposes of judicial review. If the person contesting the subpoena is the person under investigation, the department's decision is not final for purposes of judicial review until either (1) the person is notified the investigation has been concluded with no formal action, or (2) there is a final decision in the case.

**173.14(2)** *Issuance of subpoenas in a contested case.*

*a.* Subpoenas issued in a contested case may compel the attendance of witnesses at a deposition or hearing, and may compel the production of books, papers, records, and other real evidence. A command to produce evidence or to permit inspection may be joined with a command to appear at a deposition or hearing, or may be issued separately. Subpoenas shall be issued by the department upon written request. In the absence of good cause, a request for a subpoena must be received at least three days before the scheduled hearing.

*b.* A request for a subpoena shall include the following information, as applicable, unless the subpoena is requested to compel testimony or documents for rebuttal or impeachment purposes:

- (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person requesting the subpoena;
- (2) The name and address of the person to whom the subpoena shall be directed;
- (3) The date, time and location at which the person shall be commanded to attend and give testimony;
- (4) Whether the testimony is requested in connection with a deposition or hearing;
- (5) A description of the books, papers, records or other real evidence requested;

- (6) The date, time and location for production, or inspection and copying.
- c. Each subpoena shall contain, as applicable:
  - (1) The caption of the case;
  - (2) The name, address and telephone number of the person who requested the subpoena;
  - (3) The name and address of the person to whom the subpoena is directed;
  - (4) The date, time and location at which the person is commanded to appear;
  - (5) Whether the testimony is commanded in connection with a deposition or hearing;
  - (6) A description of the books, papers, records or other real evidence the person is commanded to produce;
  - (7) The date, time and location for production, or inspection and copying;
  - (8) The time within which a motion to quash or modify the subpoena must be filed;
  - (9) The signature, address and telephone number of the division director or designee;
  - (10) The date of issuance;
  - (11) A return of service.
- d. Unless a subpoena is requested to compel testimony or documents for rebuttal or impeachment purposes, the division director or designee shall mail copies of all subpoenas to the parties to the contested case. The person who requested the subpoena is responsible for serving the subpoena upon the subject of the subpoena.
- e. Any person who is aggrieved or adversely affected by compliance with the subpoena, or any party to the contested case who desires to challenge the subpoena must, within 14 days after service of the subpoena, or before the time specified for compliance if such time is less than 14 days, file with the department a motion to quash or modify the subpoena. The motion shall describe the legal reasons why the subpoena should be quashed or modified, and may be accompanied by legal briefs or factual affidavits.
- f. Upon receipt of a timely motion to quash or modify a subpoena, the department may request an administrative law judge to issue a decision. Oral argument may be scheduled at the discretion of the administrative law judge. The administrative law judge may quash or modify the subpoena, deny the motion, or issue an appropriate protective order.
- g. A person who is aggrieved by a ruling of an administrative law judge and who desires to challenge that ruling must appeal the ruling to the department by serving on the department director, either in person or by certified mail, a notice of appeal within ten days after service of the decision of the administrative law judge.

#### **641—173.15(17A) Motions.**

**173.15(1)** No technical form for motions is required. However, prehearing motions must be in writing, state the grounds for relief, and state the relief sought.

**173.15(2)** Any party may file a written response to a motion within ten days after the motion is served. The presiding officer may consider a failure to respond within the required time period in ruling on a motion.

**173.15(3)** The presiding officer may schedule oral argument on any motion.

**173.15(4)** Motions pertaining to the hearing, except motions for summary judgment, must be filed and served at least ten days prior to the date of hearing unless there is good cause for permitting later action or the time for such action is lengthened or shortened by an order of the presiding officer.

**173.15(5)** Motions for summary judgment. Motions for summary judgment shall comply with the requirements of Iowa Rule of Civil Procedure 237 and shall be subject to disposition according to the requirements of that rule to the extent such requirements are not inconsistent with the provisions of this rule or any other provision of law governing the procedure in contested cases.

Motions for summary judgment must be filed and served at least 45 days prior to the scheduled hearing date, or other time period determined by the presiding officer. Any party resisting the motion shall file and serve a resistance within 15 days, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, from the date a copy of the motion was served. The time fixed for hearing or nonoral submission shall be not less than 20 days after the filing of the motion, unless a shorter time is ordered by the presiding officer.



A summary judgment order rendered on all issues in a contested case is subject to rehearing pursuant to 173.28(17A) and appeal pursuant to 173.27(17A).

**641—173.16(17A) Prehearing conference.**

**173.16(1)** Any party may request a prehearing conference. A written request for prehearing conference or an order for prehearing conference on the presiding officer's own motion shall be filed not less than seven days prior to the hearing date. A prehearing conference shall be scheduled not less than three business days prior to the hearing date.

Written notice of the prehearing conference shall be given by the presiding officer to all parties. For good cause the presiding officer may permit variances from this rule.

**173.16(2)** Each party shall bring to the prehearing conference:

*a.* A final list of the witnesses who the party anticipates will testify at hearing. Witnesses not listed may be excluded from testifying unless there was good cause for the failure to include their names; and

*b.* A final list of exhibits which the party anticipates will be introduced at hearing. Exhibits other than rebuttal exhibits that are not listed may be excluded from admission into evidence unless there was good cause for the failure to include them.

*c.* Witness or exhibit lists may be amended subsequent to the prehearing conference within the time limits established by the presiding officer at the prehearing conference. Any such amendments must be served on all parties.

**173.16(3)** In addition to the requirements of subrule 173.16(2), the parties at a prehearing conference may:

*a.* Enter into stipulations of law or fact;

*b.* Enter into stipulations on the admissibility of exhibits;

*c.* Identify matters which the parties intend to request be officially noticed;

*d.* Enter into stipulations for waiver of any provision of law; and

*e.* Consider any additional matters which will expedite the hearing.

**173.16(4)** Prehearing conferences shall be conducted by telephone unless otherwise ordered. Parties shall exchange and receive witness and exhibit lists in advance of a telephone prehearing conference.

**641—173.17(17A) Continuances.** Applications for continuances shall be made to the presiding officer.

**173.17(1)** A written application for a continuance shall:

*a.* Be made at the earliest possible time and no less than seven days before the hearing except in case of unanticipated emergencies;

*b.* State the specific reasons for the request; and

*c.* Be signed by the requesting party or the party's representative.

**173.17(2)** In determining whether to grant a continuance, the presiding officer may consider:

*a.* Prior continuances;

*b.* The interests of all parties;

*c.* The likelihood of informal settlement;

*d.* The existence of an emergency;

*e.* Any objection;

*f.* Any applicable time requirements;

*g.* The existence of a conflict in the schedules of counsel, parties, or witnesses;

*h.* The timeliness of the request; and

*i.* Other relevant factors.

The presiding officer may require documentation of any grounds for continuance.

**641—173.18(17A) Withdrawals.** A party requesting a contested case proceeding may withdraw that request prior to the hearing only in accordance with department rules. Unless otherwise provided, a withdrawal shall be with prejudice.

**641—173.19(17A) Intervention.**

**173.19(1) Motion.** A motion for leave to intervene in a contested case proceeding shall state the grounds for the proposed intervention, the position and interest of the proposed intervenor, and the possible impact of intervention on the proceeding. A proposed answer or petition in intervention shall be attached to the motion. Any party may file a response within 14 days of service of the motion to intervene unless the time period is extended or shortened by the presiding officer.

**173.19(2) When filed.** Motion for leave to intervene shall be filed as early in the proceeding as possible to avoid adverse impact on existing parties or the conduct of the proceeding. Unless otherwise ordered, a motion for leave to intervene shall be filed before the prehearing conference, if any, or at least 20 days before the date scheduled for hearing. Any later motion must contain a statement of good cause for the failure to file in a timely manner. Unless inequitable or unjust, an intervenor shall be bound by any agreement, arrangement, or other matter previously raised in the case. Requests by untimely intervenors for continuances which would delay the proceeding will ordinarily be denied.

**173.19(3) Grounds for intervention.** The movant shall demonstrate that (a) intervention would not unduly prolong the proceedings or otherwise prejudice the rights of existing parties; (b) the movant is likely to be aggrieved or adversely affected by a final order in the proceeding; and (c) the interests of the movant are not adequately represented by existing parties.

**173.19(4) Effect of intervention.** If appropriate, the presiding officer may order consolidation of the petitions and briefs of different parties whose interests are aligned with each other and limit the number of representatives allowed to participate actively in the proceedings. A person granted leave to intervene is a party to the proceeding. The order granting intervention may restrict the issues that may be raised by the intervenor or otherwise condition the intervenor's participation in the proceeding.

**641—173.20(17A) Hearing procedures.**

**173.20(1)** The presiding officer presides at the hearing, and may rule on motions, require briefs, issue a proposed decision, and issue such orders and rulings as will ensure the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

**173.20(2)** All objections shall be timely made and stated on the record.

**173.20(3)** Parties have the right to participate or to be represented in all hearings or prehearing conferences related to their case. Partnerships, corporations, or associations may be represented by any member, officer, director, or duly authorized agent. Any party may be represented by an attorney or another person authorized by law.

**173.20(4)** Subject to terms and conditions prescribed by the presiding officer, parties have the right to introduce evidence on issues of material fact, cross-examine witnesses present at the hearing as necessary for a full and true disclosure of the facts, present evidence in rebuttal, and submit briefs and engage in oral argument.

**173.20(5)** The presiding officer shall maintain the decorum of the hearing and may refuse to admit or may expel anyone whose conduct is disorderly.

**173.20(6)** Witnesses may be sequestered during the hearing.

**173.20(7)** The presiding officer shall conduct the hearing in the following manner:

*a.* The presiding officer shall give an opening statement briefly describing the nature of the proceedings;

*b.* The parties shall be given an opportunity to present opening statements;

*c.* Parties shall present their cases in the sequence determined by the presiding officer;

*d.* Each witness shall be sworn or affirmed by the presiding officer or the court reporter, and be subject to examination and cross-examination. The presiding officer may limit questioning in a manner consistent with law;

*e.* When all parties and witnesses have been heard, parties may be given the opportunity to present final arguments.

**641—173.21(17A) Evidence.**

**173.21(1)** The presiding officer shall rule on admissibility of evidence and may, where appropriate, take official notice of facts in accordance with all applicable requirements of law.

**173.21(2)** Stipulation of facts is encouraged. The presiding officer may make a decision based on stipulated facts.

**173.21(3)** Evidence in the proceeding shall be confined to the issues as to which the parties received notice prior to the hearing unless the parties waive their right to such notice or the presiding officer determines that good cause justifies expansion of the issues. If the presiding officer decides to admit evidence on issues outside the scope of the notice over the objection of a party who did not have actual notice of those issues, that party, upon timely request, shall receive a continuance sufficient to amend pleadings and to prepare on the additional issue.

**173.21(4)** The party seeking admission of an exhibit must provide opposing parties with an opportunity to examine the exhibit prior to the ruling on its admissibility. Copies of documents should normally be provided to opposing parties.

All exhibits admitted into evidence shall be appropriately marked and be made part of the record.

**173.21(5)** Any party may object to specific evidence or may request limits on the scope of any examination or cross-examination. Such an objection shall be accompanied by a brief statement of the grounds upon which it is based. The objection, the ruling on the objection, and the reasons for the ruling shall be noted in the record. The presiding officer may rule on the objection at the time it is made or may reserve a ruling until the written decision.

**173.21(6)** Whenever evidence is ruled inadmissible, the party offering that evidence may submit an offer of proof on the record. The party making the offer of proof for excluded oral testimony shall briefly summarize the testimony or, with permission of the presiding officer, present the testimony. If the excluded evidence consists of a document or exhibit, it shall be marked as part of an offer of proof and inserted in the record.

**641—173.22(17A) Default.**

**173.22(1)** If a party fails to appear or participate in a contested case proceeding after proper service of notice, the presiding officer may, if no adjournment is granted, enter a default decision or proceed with the hearing and render a decision in the absence of the party.

**173.22(2)** Where appropriate and not contrary to law, any party may move for default against a party who has requested the contested case proceeding and has failed to file a required pleading or has failed to appear after proper service.

**173.22(3)** Default decisions or decisions rendered on the merits after a party has failed to appear or participate in a contested case proceeding become final agency action unless, within 15 days after the date of notification or mailing of the decision, a motion to vacate is filed and served on all parties or an appeal of a decision on the merits is timely initiated within the time provided by rule 173.27(17A). A motion to vacate must state all facts relied upon by the moving party which establish that good cause existed for that party's failure to appear or participate at the contested case proceeding. Each fact so stated must be substantiated by at least one sworn affidavit of a person with personal knowledge of each such fact, which affidavit(s) must be attached to the motion.

**173.22(4)** The time for further appeal of a decision for which a timely motion to vacate has been filed is stayed pending a decision on the motion to vacate.

**173.22(5)** Properly substantiated and timely filed motions to vacate shall be granted only for good cause shown. The burden of proof as to good cause is on the moving party. Adverse parties shall have ten days to respond to a motion to vacate. Adverse parties shall be allowed to conduct discovery as to the issue of good cause and to present evidence on the issue prior to a decision on the motion, if a request to do so is included in that party's response.

**173.22(6)** "Good cause" for purposes of this rule shall have the same meaning as "good cause" for setting aside a default judgment under Iowa Rule of Civil Procedure 236.

**173.22(7)** A decision denying a motion to vacate is subject to further appeal within the time limit allowed for further appeal of a decision on the merits in the contested case proceeding. A decision

granting a motion to vacate is subject to interlocutory appeal by the adverse party pursuant to rule 173.25(17A).

**173.22(8)** If a motion to vacate is granted and no timely interlocutory appeal has been taken, the presiding officer shall issue another notice of hearing and the contested case shall proceed accordingly.

**173.22(9)** A default decision may award any relief consistent with the request for relief made in the petition and embraced in its issues (but, unless the defaulting party has appeared, it cannot exceed the relief demanded).

**173.22(10)** A default decision may provide either that the default decision is to be stayed pending a timely motion to vacate or that the default decision is to take effect immediately, subject to a request for stay under rule 173.29(17A).

**641—173.23(17A) Ex parte communication.**

**173.23(1)** Prohibited communications. Unless required for the disposition of ex parte matters specifically authorized by statute, following issuance of the notice of hearing, there shall be no communication, directly or indirectly, between the presiding officer and any party or representative of any party or any other person with a direct or indirect interest in such case in connection with any issue of fact or law in the case except upon notice and opportunity for all parties to participate. This does not prohibit persons jointly assigned such tasks from communicating with each other. Nothing in this provision is intended to preclude the presiding officer from communicating with members of the department or seeking the advice or help of persons other than those with a personal interest in, or those engaged in personally investigating as defined in subrule 173.9(2), prosecuting, or advocating in, either the case under consideration or a pending factually related case involving the same parties as long as those persons do not directly or indirectly communicate to the presiding officer any ex parte communications they have received of a type that the presiding officer would be prohibited from receiving or that furnish, augment, diminish, or modify the evidence in the record.

**173.23(2)** Prohibitions on ex parte communications commence with the issuance of the notice of hearing in a contested case and continue for as long as the case is pending.

**173.23(3)** Written, oral or other forms of communication are “ex parte” if made without notice and opportunity for all parties to participate.

**173.23(4)** To avoid prohibited ex parte communications, notice must be given in a manner reasonably calculated to give all parties a fair opportunity to participate. Notice of written communications shall be provided in compliance with rule 173.12(17A) and may be supplemented by telephone, facsimile, electronic mail or other means of notification. Where permitted, oral communications may be initiated through conference telephone call including all parties or their representatives.

**173.23(5)** Persons who jointly act as presiding officer in a pending contested case may communicate with each other without notice or opportunity for parties to participate.

**173.23(6)** The division director or other persons may be present in deliberations or otherwise advise the presiding officer without notice or opportunity for parties to participate as long as they are not disqualified from participating in the making of a proposed or final decision under any provision of law and they comply with subrule 173.23(1).

**173.23(7)** Communications with the presiding officer involving uncontested scheduling or procedural matters do not require notice or opportunity for parties to participate. Parties should notify other parties prior to initiating such contact with the presiding officer when feasible, and shall notify other parties when seeking to continue hearings or other deadlines pursuant to rule 173.17(17A).

**173.23(8)** Disclosure of prohibited communications. A presiding officer who receives a prohibited ex parte communication during the pendency of a contested case must initially determine if the effect of the communication is so prejudicial that the presiding officer should be disqualified. If the presiding officer determines that disqualification is warranted, a copy of any prohibited written communication, all written responses to the communication, a written summary stating the substance of any prohibited oral or other communication not available in written form for disclosure, all responses made, and the identity of each person from whom the presiding officer received a prohibited ex parte communication

shall be submitted for inclusion in the record under seal by protective order (or disclosed). If the presiding officer determines that disqualification is not warranted, such documents shall be submitted for inclusion in the record and served on all parties. Any party desiring to rebut the prohibited communication must be allowed the opportunity to do so upon written request filed within ten days after notice of the communication.

**173.23(9)** Promptly after being assigned to serve as presiding officer at any stage in a contested case proceeding, a presiding officer shall disclose to all parties material factual information received through ex parte communication prior to such assignment unless the factual information has already been or shortly will be disclosed pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.13(2) or through discovery. Factual information contained in an investigative report or similar document need not be separately disclosed by the presiding officer as long as such documents have been or will shortly be provided to the parties.

**173.23(10)** The presiding officer may render a proposed or final decision imposing appropriate sanctions for violations of this rule including default, a decision against the offending party, censure, or suspension or revocation of the privilege to practice before the department. Violation of ex parte communication prohibitions by department personnel shall be reported to the director for possible sanctions including censure, suspension, dismissal, or other disciplinary action.

**641—173.24(17A) Recording costs.** Upon request, the department shall provide a copy of the whole or any portion of the record at cost. The cost of preparing a copy of the record or of transcribing the hearing record shall be paid by the requesting party. Parties who request that a hearing be recorded by certified shorthand reporters rather than by electronic means shall bear the cost of that recordation, unless otherwise provided by law.

**641—173.25(17A) Interlocutory appeals.** Upon written request of a party or on its own motion, the director or board or commission may review an interlocutory order of the presiding officer. In determining whether to do so, the director or board or commission shall weigh the extent to which its granting the interlocutory appeal would expedite final resolution of the case and the extent to which review of that interlocutory order by the department at the time it reviews the proposed decision of the presiding officer would provide an adequate remedy. Any request for interlocutory review must be filed within 14 days of issuance of the challenged order, but no later than the time for compliance with the order or the date of hearing, whichever is first.

**641—173.26(17A) Final decision.**

**173.26(1)** When the director of the department presides over the reception of evidence at the hearing, the decision is a final decision.

**173.26(2)** When the director of the department does not preside at the reception of evidence, the presiding officer shall make a proposed decision. The proposed decision becomes the final decision of the department without further proceedings unless there is an appeal to, or review on motion of, the department within the time provided in rule 173.27(17A).

**641—173.27(17A) Appeals and review.**

**173.27(1) Appeal by party.** Any adversely affected party may appeal a proposed decision to the director within 30 days after issuance of the proposed decision.

**173.27(2) Review.** The director may initiate review of a proposed decision on its own motion at any time within 30 days following the issuance of such a decision.

**173.27(3) Notice of appeal.** An appeal of a proposed decision is initiated by filing a timely notice of appeal with the department. The notice of appeal must be signed by the appealing party or a representative of that party and contain a certificate of service. The notice shall specify:

- a. The parties initiating the appeal;
- b. The proposed decision or order appealed from;
- c. The specific findings or conclusions to which exception is taken and any other exceptions to the decision or order;

- d. The relief sought;
- e. The grounds for relief.

**173.27(4) Requests to present additional evidence.** A party may request the taking of additional evidence only by establishing that the evidence is material, that good cause existed for the failure to present the evidence at the hearing, and that the party has not waived the right to present the evidence. A written request to present additional evidence must be filed with the notice of appeal or, by a nonappealing party, within 14 days of service of the notice of appeal. The director may remand a case to the presiding officer for further hearing or the director may preside at the taking of additional evidence.

**173.27(5) Scheduling.** The department shall issue a schedule for consideration of the appeal.

**173.27(6) Briefs and arguments.** Unless otherwise ordered, within 20 days of the notice of appeal or order for review, each appealing party may file exceptions and briefs. Within 20 days thereafter, any party may file a responsive brief. Briefs shall cite any applicable legal authority and specify relevant portions of the record in that proceeding. Written requests to present oral argument shall be filed with the briefs.

The director may resolve the appeal on the briefs or provide an opportunity for oral argument. The director may shorten or extend the briefing period as appropriate.

#### **641—173.28(17A) Applications for rehearing.**

**173.28(1) By whom filed.** Any party to a contested case proceeding may file an application for rehearing from a final order.

**173.28(2) Content of application.** The application for rehearing shall state on whose behalf it is filed, the specific grounds for rehearing, and the relief sought. In addition, the application shall state whether the applicant desires reconsideration of all or part of the department decision on the existing record and whether, on the basis of the grounds enumerated in subrule 173.27(4), the applicant requests an opportunity to submit additional evidence.

**173.28(3) Time of filing.** The application shall be filed with the department within 20 days after issuance of the final decision.

**173.28(4) Notice to other parties.** A copy of the application shall be timely mailed by the applicant to all parties of record not joining therein. If the application does not contain a certificate of service, the department shall serve copies on all parties.

**173.28(5) Disposition.** Any application for a rehearing shall be deemed denied unless the department grants the application within 20 days after its filing.

#### **641—173.29(17A) Stays of department actions.**

**173.29(1) When available.**

a. Any party to a contested case proceeding may petition the department for a stay of an order issued in that proceeding or for other temporary remedies, pending review by the department. The petition shall be filed with the notice of appeal and shall state the reasons justifying a stay or other temporary remedy. The director may rule on the stay or authorize the presiding officer to do so.

b. Any party to a contested case proceeding may petition the department for a stay or other temporary remedies pending judicial review of all or part of that proceeding. The petition shall state the reasons justifying a stay or other temporary remedy.

**173.29(2) When granted.** In determining whether to grant a stay, the presiding officer or the board, commission, or director, as appropriate, shall consider the factors listed in 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202, section 23(5c).

**173.29(3) Vacation.** A stay may be vacated by the issuing authority upon application of the department or any other party.

**641—173.30(17A) No factual dispute contested cases.** If the parties agree that no dispute of material fact exists as to a matter that would be a contested case if such a dispute of fact existed, the parties may present all relevant admissible evidence either by stipulation or otherwise as agreed by the parties, without necessity for the production of evidence at an evidentiary hearing. If such agreement is reached,

a jointly submitted schedule detailing the method and timetable for submission of the record, briefs and oral argument should be submitted to the presiding officer for approval as soon as practicable. If the parties cannot agree, any party may file and serve a motion for summary judgment pursuant to the rules governing such motions.

**641—173.31(17A) Emergency adjudicative proceedings.**

**173.31(1) Necessary emergency action.** To the extent necessary to prevent or avoid immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare and, consistent with the Constitution and other provisions of law, the department may issue a written order in compliance with Iowa Code section 17A.18 to suspend a license in whole or in part, order the cessation of any continuing activity, order affirmative action, or take other action within the jurisdiction of the department by emergency adjudicative order. Before issuing an emergency adjudicative order the department shall consider factors including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Whether there has been a sufficient factual investigation to ensure that the department is proceeding on the basis of reliable information;
- b. Whether the specific circumstances which pose immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare have been identified and determined to be continuing;
- c. Whether the person required to comply with the emergency adjudicative order may continue to engage in other activities without posing immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare;
- d. Whether imposition of monitoring requirements or other interim safeguards would be sufficient to protect the public health, safety or welfare; and
- e. Whether the specific action contemplated by the department is necessary to avoid the immediate danger.

**173.31(2) Issuance of order.**

a. An emergency adjudicative order shall contain findings of fact, conclusions of law, and policy reasons to justify the determination of an immediate danger in the department's decision to take immediate action.

b. The written emergency adjudicative order shall be immediately delivered to persons who are required to comply with the order by utilizing one or more of the following procedures:

- (1) Personal delivery;
- (2) Certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last address on file with the department;
- (3) Certified mail to the last address on file with the department;
- (4) First-class mail to the last address on file with the department; or
- (5) Fax. Fax may be used as the sole method of delivery if the person required to comply with the order has filed a written request that department orders be sent by fax and has provided a fax number for that purpose.

c. To the degree practicable, the department shall select the procedure for providing written notice that best ensures prompt, reliable delivery.

**173.31(3) Oral notice.** Unless the written emergency adjudicative order is provided by personal delivery on the same day that the order issues, the department shall make reasonable immediate efforts to contact by telephone the persons who are required to comply with the order.

**173.31(4) Completion of proceedings.** After the issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, the department shall proceed as quickly as feasible to complete any proceedings that would be required if the matter did not involve an immediate danger.

Issuance of a written emergency adjudicative order shall include notification of the date on which department proceedings are scheduled for completion. After issuance of an emergency adjudicative order, continuance of further department proceedings to a later date will be granted only in compelling circumstances upon application in writing.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 17A as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, chapter 1202.

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<sup>1</sup> See IAB, Inspections and Appeals Department.



CHAPTER 174  
AGENCY PROCEDURE FOR RULE MAKING

The department of public health adopts the agency procedure for rule making segment of the Uniform Administrative Rules which is printed in the first volume of the Iowa Administrative Code with the following amendments.

**641—174.3(17A) Public rule-making docket.**

**174.3(2) Anticipated rule making.** In lieu of the words “(commission, board, council, director)” insert “director”.

**641—174.4(17A) Notice of proposed rule making.**

**174.4(3) Notices mailed.** In lieu of the words “(specify time period)” insert “one calendar year”.

**641—174.5(17A) Public participation.**

**174.5(1) Written comments.** In lieu of the words “(identify office and address) or” insert “Director’s Office, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319”.

**174.5(5) Accessibility.** In lieu of the words “(designate office and telephone number)” insert “Director’s Office, Iowa Department of Public Health, (515)281-7689”.

**641—174.6(17A) Regulatory flexibility analysis.**

**174.6(3) Mailing list.** In lieu of the words “(designate office)” insert “Director’s Office, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319”.

**641—174.11(17A) Concise statement of reasons.**

**174.11(1) General.** In lieu of the words “(specify the office and address)” insert “Director’s Office, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319”.

**641—174.13(17A) Agency rule-making record.**

**174.13(2) Contents.** Amend paragraph “c” by inserting “director” in lieu of “(agency head)”.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 17A.4 and Iowa Code chapter 135.

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CHAPTER 175  
FAIR INFORMATION PRACTICES AND PUBLIC RECORDS

The public health department adopts, with the following amendments and exceptions, rules of the Governor's Task Force on Uniform Rules of Agency Procedure relating to public records and fair information practices which are printed in the first volume of the Iowa Administrative Code.

**641—175.1(17A,22) Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

“Agency” or “department” in these rules means the Iowa department of public health.

**641—175.3(17A,22) Requests for access to records.**

**175.3(1) Location of record.** A request for access to a record should be directed to the office where the record is kept. If the location of the record is not known by the requester, the request shall be directed to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, Attention: Record Request. The department will forward the request to the appropriate person.

**175.3(2) Office hours.** Open records shall be made available during all customary office hours, which are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

**175.3(7) Fees.**

*c. Search and supervisory fee.* An hourly fee may be charged for actual agency expenses in searching for and supervising the examination and copying of requested records. The fee shall be based upon the actual costs incurred. The agency shall post the hourly fees to be charged in routine cases for search and supervision of records. Except as provided in Iowa Code section 144.46, no fee shall be charged if the records are not made available for inspection, or if the time required does not exceed one hour in duration, or if the time required for the search was the result of agency error or record-keeping problems. Iowa Code section 144.46 specifically allows for fees for vital record searches when the record is not copied or is not found and is implemented by 641—96.4(144).

**641—175.6(17A,22) Procedure by which additions, dissents, or objections may be entered into certain records.** In lieu of the words “(designate office)” substitute the words “the office in which the record is maintained.”

**641—175.7(17A,22) Consent to disclosure by the subject of a confidential record.** Delete the phrases in parentheses.

**641—175.8(17A,22) Notice to suppliers of information.** Delete the sentence in parentheses.

**641—175.9(17A,22) Disclosures without the consent of the subject.**

**175.9(1)** Open records are routinely disclosed without the consent of the subject.

**175.9(2)** To the extent allowed by law, disclosure of confidential records may occur without the consent of the subject. Following are instances where disclosure, if lawful, will generally occur without notice to the subject:

*a.* For a routine use as defined in rule 175.10(17A,22) or in the notice for a particular record system.

*b.* To a recipient who has provided the agency with advance written assurance that the record will be used solely as a statistical research or reporting record;

*c.* To another government agency or to an instrumentality of any governmental jurisdiction within or under the control of the United States for a civil or criminal law enforcement activity if the activity is authorized by law, and if an authorized representative of such government agency or instrumentality has submitted a written request to the agency specifying the record desired and the law enforcement activity for which the record is sought.

*d.* To an individual pursuant to a showing of compelling circumstances affecting the health or safety of any individual if a notice of the disclosure is transmitted to the last known address of the subject.

*e.* To the legislative services agency under Iowa Code section 2A.3.

- f. Disclosures in the course of employee disciplinary proceedings.
- g. In response to a court order or subpoena.

**641—175.10(17A,22) Routine use.**

**175.10(1)** Defined. “Routine use” means the disclosure of a record without the consent of the subjects, for a purpose which is compatible with the purpose for which the record was collected. It includes disclosures required to be made by statute other than the public records law, Iowa Code chapter 22.

**175.10(2)** To the extent allowed by law, the following uses are considered routine uses of all agency records:

- a. Disclosure to those officers, employees, and agents of the agency who have a need for the record in the performance of their duties. Disclosure to employees of federal, state and local agencies, and other researchers for purposes of bona fide research. The custodian of the record may, upon receipt of a request or on the custodian’s own initiative, determine what constitutes legitimate need to use confidential records.
- b. Disclosure of information indicating an apparent violation of the law to appropriate law enforcement authorities for investigation and possible criminal prosecution, civil court action, or regulatory order.
- c. Disclosure to the department of inspections and appeals for matters in which it is performing services or functions on behalf of the agency.
- d. Transfers of information within the agency, to other state agencies, or to local units of government as appropriate to administer the program for which the information is collected.
- e. Information released to staff of federal and state entities for audit purposes or for purposes of determining whether the agency is operating a program lawfully.
- f. Any disclosure specifically authorized by the statute under which the record was collected or maintained.

**641—175.11(17A,22) Consensual disclosure of confidential records.**

**175.11(1)** *Consent to disclosure by a subject individual.* To the extent permitted by law, the subject may consent in writing to agency disclosure of confidential records as provided in rule 175.7(17A,22).

**175.11(2)** *Complaints to public officials.* A letter from a subject of a confidential record to a public official which seeks the official’s intervention on behalf of the subject in a matter that involves the agency may to the extent permitted by law be treated as an authorization to release sufficient information about the subject to the official to resolve the matter.

**641—175.12(17A,22) Release to subject.**

**175.12(1)** The subject of a confidential record may file a written request to review confidential records about that person as provided in rule 175.6(17A,22). However, the agency need not release the following records to the subject:

- a. The identity of a person providing information to the agency need not be disclosed directly or indirectly to the subject of the information when the information is authorized to be held confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7(18) or other provision of law.
- b. Records need not be disclosed to the subject when they are the work product of an attorney or are otherwise privileged.
- c. Peace officers’ investigative reports may be withheld from the subject, except as required by the Iowa Code. (See Iowa Code section 22.7(5).)
- d. As otherwise authorized by law.

**175.12(2)** Where a record has multiple subjects with interest in the confidentiality of the record, the agency may take reasonable steps to protect confidential information relating to another subject.

**641—175.13(17A,22) Availability of records.**

**175.13(1)** General. Agency records are open for public inspection and copying subject to supervision unless otherwise provided by rule or law.

**175.13(2)** Confidential records. The following records may be withheld from public inspection. Records are listed by category, according to the legal basis for withholding them from public inspection.

*a.* Records which identify a person infected with a contagious or infectious disease required to be reported under Iowa Code chapter 139, and maintained as confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 139.2.

*b.* Records which identify a person infected with a sexually transmitted disease required to be reported under Iowa Code chapter 140, and maintained as confidential pursuant to Iowa Code sections 140.3 and 140.4.

*c.* HIV screening records collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 141.

*d.* Vital records maintained by the agency pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 144, and held confidential pursuant to 144.43. These records include records of births, deaths, fetal deaths, adoptions, marriages, divorces, annulments and related data and correspondence. Certified copies of such records may be made available only as outlined in 641—96.7(144).

*e.* Radioactive materials licensee files of the radiological health program, which are kept confidential by terms of an agreement with the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to Iowa Code section 136C.11.

*f.* Records of the WIC program (special supplemental food program for women, infants and children) required by 7 CFR 246.26(d) (February 13, 1985) to be maintained as confidential records. These include certain files of the program participant data base, WIC food checks, WIC vendors, combined agency files, U.S.D.A. correspondence referring to program participants, and appeals.

*g.* Reports maintained as confidential by the emergency medical services (EMS) program pursuant to 641—subrule 132.8(3). These include the Iowa prehospital care report and Iowa ambulance advanced emergency care report.

**175.13(3)** Portions of the following records shall be kept confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7:

*a.* Records which contain medical record information protected by Iowa Code section 22.7(2). Such information may be found in records including the following:

- (1) Chlamydia screening records.
  - (2) Cancer screening records.
  - (3) Rheumatic fever prophylaxis program records.
  - (4) Sexual assault examination and reimbursement program records.
  - (5) Client records in the SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) program records and the Birth Defects/Genetic Counseling program.
  - (6) Sterilization reimbursement records.
  - (7) Patient records in the AZT drug reimbursement program.
  - (8) Work-related disease program file.
  - (9) Conditional paramedic pilot project records and medical audits maintained by the emergency medical services (EMS) program.
  - (10) Records and correspondence of the refugee health program.
  - (11) Case records and immunization records maintained in the first-aid room at the State Capitol.
  - (12) Chronic renal disease program patient files.
  - (13) Bureau of health promotion records which contain medical information protected by Iowa Code section 22.7(2). This includes medical information from screening programs for blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol and colorectal cancer; from diabetes outpatient education assessment, fitness assessment and health risk appraisals; and correspondence containing medical information.
  - (14) Correspondence relating to these or other programs which contains medical records.
- b.* Homemaker/home health aide program records dealing with training exceptions which include educational records protected by Iowa Code section 22.7(1).

c. Records of the radiological health program dealing with radiography technicians and radiography technician testing results which include educational records protected by Iowa Code section 22.7(1).

d. Manufacturer “notice of sale” records filed by the radiological health program, which are kept confidential pursuant to Iowa Code section 22.7(6).

e. Certain consumer product and safety information maintained by the Health Engineering section for which Section 6 of the federal Consumer Products Act requires confidentiality.

**175.13(4)** Minutes of closed meetings of a government body (Iowa Code section 21.5(4)) shall be kept confidential.

**175.13(5)** Identifying details in final orders, decisions and opinions shall be kept confidential to the extent required to prevent a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or trade secrets under Iowa Code section 17A.3(1) “d.”

**175.13(6)** Portions of agency staff manuals, instructions or other statements issued shall be kept confidential which set forth criteria or guidelines to be used by agency staff in auditing, in making inspections, in settling commercial disputes or negotiating commercial arrangements, or in the selection or handling of cases, such as operational tactics or allowable tolerances or criteria for the defense, prosecution or settlement of cases, when disclosure of these statements would:

a. Enable law violators to avoid detection;

b. Facilitate disregard of requirements imposed by law; or

c. Give a clearly improper advantage to persons who are in an adverse position to the agency. (See Iowa Code sections 17A.2 and 17A.3.)

**175.13(7)** Records which constitute attorney work product, attorney-client communications, or which are otherwise privileged shall be kept confidential. Attorney work product is confidential under Iowa Code sections 22.7(4), 622.10 and 622.11, Iowa R.C.P. 122(c), Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(3), and case law. Attorney-client communications are confidential under Iowa Code sections 622.10 and 622.11, the rules of evidence, the Code of Professional Responsibility, and case law.

**175.13(8)** Records exempted from public inspection under any other provision of law shall be kept confidential.

**175.13(9)** Authority to release confidential records. The agency may have discretion to disclose some confidential records which are exempt from disclosure under Iowa Code section 22.7 or other law. Any person may request permission to inspect records withheld from inspection under a statute which authorizes limited or discretionary disclosure as provided in rule 175.4(17A,22). If the agency initially determines that it will release such records, the agency may, where appropriate, notify interested parties and withhold the records from inspection as provided in subrule 175.4(3).

**641—175.14(17A,22) Personally identifiable information.** This rule describes the nature and extent of personally identifiable information which is collected, maintained, and retrieved by the agency by personal identifier in record systems as defined in rule 175.1(17A,22). For each record system, this rule describes the legal authority for the collection of that information and the means of storage of that information. A data processing system does not match, collate, or permit the comparison of personally identifiable information in one record system with personally identifiable information in another record system, unless so indicated. The record systems maintained by the agency are:

**175.14(1)** *Division of family and community health.*

a. Records of the public health nursing and homemaker/home health aide programs collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(15). These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record.

b. Records of the maternal and child health programs collected pursuant to Iowa Code sections 135.11(19) and 709.10 and chapter 255A. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Data processing systems are being developed to link certain client data in these programs with client data in the WIC program.

c. Records of the nutrition and WIC (supplemental food program for women, infants and children) programs collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and Chapter 17 of the federal Child Nutrition

Act of 1966 as amended. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Data processing systems are being developed to link certain client data in this program with client data in maternal and child health programs.

*d.* Records of the birth defects institute collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 136A. These records are stored on paper.

*e.* Records of the dental health programs collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(19), funded primarily by maternal and child health funds. These records are stored on paper or electronically, depending on the specific type of record.

*f.* Records of the lead abatement program collected pursuant to Iowa Code sections 135.100 to 135.105. These records are stored on paper.

*g.* The above listed records are open, except for confidential records noted in rule 175.13(17A,22).  
**175.14(2) Division of disease prevention.**

*a.* Records of reportable contagious and infectious diseases (including epidemiology and immunization records) collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 139. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Except for statistical reports, these records are confidential as outlined in subrule 175.13(2) "a."

*b.* Records of reportable sexually transmitted diseases collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 140. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Except for statistical reports these records are confidential as outlined in 175.13(2) "b."

*c.* Refugee health program records collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and Section 412(c)(3) of the federal Immigration and Naturalization Act. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Certain medical information in these records is confidential as outlined in 175.13(3) "a"(10).

*d.* Records of the environmental health programs collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and PL96-510, Section 104(d)(1), 40 CFR-763 effective June 28, 1983, and 40 CFR-761 effective May 31, 1979, dealing with asbestos, PCB and other environmental health factors. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Certain medical information in the work-related disease program file may be confidential, as outlined in 175.13(3) "a"(8). Certain asbestos, PCB and lead inspection records are collected under contract with the federal Environmental Protection Agency, and requests for such records would be referred to that agency.

*e.* Records of the health engineering program collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 138 and sections 192.31 and 135.12. These records are stored on paper.

*f.* Records of the radiological health program collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 136B and 136C. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific record. Certain of these records are confidential as outlined in 175.13(3), paragraphs "c" and "d."

*g.* Records of the veterinary public health program collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 139. These records are stored on paper. Certain medical information in these records may be confidential as outlined in 175.13(2) "a."

*h.* Records of the emergency medical services program collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 147A. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record. Some of these records are confidential as outlined in 175.13(2) "g" and 175.13(3) "a"(9).

*i.* Records of the AZT drug reimbursement program collected for purposes of implementing a federal grant program authorized by HR 1827. These records are stored on paper. Certain patient records are confidential as outlined in 175.13(3) "a"(7).

*j.* Case records and immunization records maintained in the first-aid room at the State Capitol. These records are collected under the general authority of Iowa Code section 135.11(1), are stored on paper, and are maintained as confidential as outlined in 175.13(3) "a"(12).

**175.14(3) Division of central administration.**

*a.* Vital records collected pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 144, including records of births, deaths, fetal deaths, adoptions, marriages, divorces, annulments and related data and correspondence. These

records are stored on paper, microfiche and electronically. These records are confidential as noted in subrule 175.13(2)“d.”

*b.* Licensing records of the professional licensing boards. These records are identified in rules filed by the individual licensing boards (IAC 645). They contain information about individuals, some of which is confidential.

*c.* An electronic inventory of records maintained by the department, which indicates the type of information contained on the record, contact person for the record, how the record is stored, whether the record is confidential, and whether it contains personally identifiable information. This inventory is maintained by the Information Management Bureau.

*d.* Fiscal records maintained by the division are generally originated by the department of revenue or the department of management. Requests for these records, stored on paper or electronically, will be referred by the department to the appropriate agency.

*e.* Personnel records maintained by the department include:

(1) Personnel records containing information about employees, families and dependents, and applicants for positions with the agency. Some of this information is confidential under Iowa Code section 22.7(11).

(2) Copies of county public health nursing files maintained by the department to assist local boards of health in following merit principles in their employment practices as required by Iowa Code section 137.6(4) as it relates to employment of public health nurses per Iowa Code section 143.1. Requests for these records will be referred by the department to the county of origin of the record.

**175.14(4)** *Division of substance abuse and health promotion.*

*a.* Records of the bureau of health promotion collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1). Certain medical information in these records is confidential as outlined in 175.13(3)“a”(13). The medical information from wellness programs and screening programs is stored on paper.

*b.* Records of substance abuse programs of this division are identified in rules adopted by the substance abuse commission (IAC 643).

**175.14(5)** *Office of health planning.*

*a.* Records of the certificate of need program collected pursuant to Iowa Code sections 135.61 to 135.83 and the 1122 review program pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and PL92-603.1122. These records are stored on paper.

*b.* Records of the chronic renal disease program collected pursuant to Iowa Code sections 135.45 to 135.48. These records are stored on paper, electronically or both, depending on the specific type of record.

*c.* Contract records of the health data commission pursuant to Iowa Code section 145.3(1). These records are stored on paper and electronically.

*d.* Records of health maintenance organization reviews pursuant to Iowa Code section 514B.4. These records are stored on paper.

*e.* Annual hospital surveys collected pursuant to Iowa Code sections 135.74 and 135.75. These records are stored on paper and electronically.

*f.* All of the above records are open, except for confidential medical information as noted in 175.13(3)“a”(12).

**175.14(6)** *Governor’s alliance on substance abuse.*

*a.* Records of the high-risk youth grant program collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986. These records are stored on paper.

*b.* Records of the narcotic control grant program collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.11(1) and the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986. These records are stored on paper.

*c.* These records are open.

**641—175.15(17A,22) Other groups of records.** This rule describes groups of records maintained by the agency other than record systems as defined in rule 175.2(17A,22). These records are routinely available to the public. However, the agency’s files of these records may contain confidential information as



discussed in 175.13(17A,22). The records listed may contain information about individuals. All records are stored on paper unless otherwise noted.

**175.15(1) Rule making.** Rule-making records may contain information about individuals making written or oral comments or proposed rules. This information is collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4.

**175.15(2) Council and commission records.** Agendas, minutes, and materials presented to the councils, committees and commissions listed below are available from the department, except those records concerning closed sessions which are exempt from disclosure under Iowa Code section 21.5(4) or which are otherwise confidential by law. Council and commission records contain information about people who participate in meetings. This information is collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.3.

*a.* Advanced emergency medical care council (no longer in existence).  
*b.* Birth defects advisory committee.  
*c.* Governor's alliance on substance abuse.  
*d.* Governor's emergency medical services advisory council (no longer in existence).  
*e.* Iowa health data commission (permanent file rotates among agencies with the chair of the commission).

- f.* Iowa organ and tissue transplant commission.  
*g.* Immunization action advisory council.  
*h.* Maternal and child health advisory council.  
*i.* Perinatal standards committee.  
*j.* Renal disease advisory committee.  
*k.* Sexual abuse advisory committee.  
*l.* SIDS advisory committee.  
*m.* State agency coordinating committee.  
*n.* State board of health.  
*o.* State health facilities council.  
*p.* State plumbing code committee (no longer in existence).  
*q.* Statewide health coordinating council.  
*r.* Other ad hoc task forces and committees appointed by the department.

**175.15(3) Publications.** News releases, annual reports, project reports, agency newsletters, etc., are available from the public information office. Agency news releases, project reports, and newsletters may contain information about individuals, including agency staff or members of agency councils or committees.

**175.15(4) Statistical reports.** Periodic reports of vital statistics records are available from the vital statistics section in the division of central administration.

**175.15(5) Appeal decisions and advisory opinions.** All final orders, decisions and opinions are open to the public except for information that is confidential according to rule 175.13(17A,22) or 175.14(17A,22). These records may contain information about individuals.

**175.15(6) Published materials.** The agency uses many legal and technical publications in its work. The public may inspect these publications upon request. Some of these materials may be protected by copyright law.

**175.15(7) Policy manuals.** Policy or program manuals of various programs may be obtained by contacting the program.

**175.15(8) All other records that are not exempted from disclosure by law.** Other records used by the agency include correspondence files, surveys conducted by programs, information and data files, and records used for processing purposes internally (such as data processing and word processing requests, supply shipments, etc.). Some of these records may contain information about individuals. Correspondence files may contain confidential information protected by statutes cited in 175.13(17A,22) of these rules.

**641—175.16(17A,22) Data processing systems.** Except where otherwise noted, data processing systems used by the agency do not permit the comparison of personally identifiable information in one record system with personally identifiable information in another record system.

**641—175.17(17A,22) Applicability.** This chapter does not:

1. Require the agency to index or retrieve records which contain information about individuals by that person's name or other personal identifier.
2. Make available to the general public records which would otherwise not be available under the public records law, Iowa Code chapter 22.
3. Govern the maintenance or disclosure of, notification of or access to, records in the possession of the agency which are governed by the regulations of another agency.
4. Apply to grantees, including local governments or subdivisions, administering state-funded programs, unless otherwise provided by law or agreement.
5. Make available records compiled by the agency in reasonable anticipation of court litigation or formal administrative proceedings. The availability of such records to the general public or to any subject individual or party to such litigation or proceedings shall be governed by applicable legal and constitutional principles, statutes, rules of discovery, evidentiary privileges, and applicable regulations of the agency.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 22.11.

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CHAPTER 176  
CRITERIA FOR AWARDS OR GRANTS

**641—176.1(135,17A) Purpose.** The department provides funds to a variety of entities throughout the state for the support of public health programs. The department considers that all funds are subject to competition pursuant to Iowa Code statutes and Iowa Administrative Code rules governing service contracts.

**641—176.2(135,17A) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Competitive selection process”* means the competitive selection application process engaged in by the department to compare applicant qualifications, terms, conditions and pricing for services to purchase services based on quality, performance, and prices of equal or similar services in order to meet the objective of purchasing services based on quality, performance, or price or any combination thereof.

*“Continuation application”* means the application process for subsequent years within a project period following a competitive selection process.

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Project”* means the activities or program(s) funded by the department.

*“Project period”* means the period of time which the department intends to support the project without requiring the recompetition for funds. The project period is specified within the competitive selection application and may extend to six years.

*“Service delivery area”* means the defined geographic area for delivery of project services. Competitive applications shall not fragment existing integrated service delivery within the defined geographic area.

**641—176.3(135,17A) Exceptions.** Exceptions to these rules are as follows:

1. New funds (including pilot studies and demonstration grants) that become available for new services.
2. Federal or private funding agency specified a sole source.
3. An organization failed to meet conditions and performance standards specified in the contract awards.
4. Mutual agreement among department and contract organizations.

**641—176.4(135,17A) Requirements.** The following shall be included in all competitive selection applications made available by the department:

1. Funding source.
2. Project period.
3. Services to be delivered.
4. Service delivery area.
5. Funding purpose.
6. Funding restrictions.
7. Funding formula (if any).
8. Matching requirements (if any).
9. Reporting requirements.
10. Performance criteria (experience of applicant in administering similar contracts).
11. Description of eligible applicants.
12. Need for letters of support or other materials (if applicable).
13. Application due date.
14. Anticipated date of award.
15. Eligibility guidelines for those receiving the service or product and the source of those guidelines, including fees or sliding fee scales (if applicable).
16. Target population to be served (if applicable).
17. Evaluation process and criteria.

18. Appeal process.
19. Contractual terms.
20. Business organization.

**641—176.5(135,17A) Review process (competitive applications only).** The review process to be followed in determining amount of funds to be approved for award of contract shall be described in the competitive selection application. The review criteria and point allocation for each shall also be described in the competitive selection application.

The review committee membership shall be determined by the bureau chief, with oversight from the respective division director. The review committee members shall allocate points per review criteria in conducting the review.

In the event applications for the service delivery area receive an equal number of points, a second review may be conducted by two division directors and the respective bureau chief administering the program.

**641—176.6(135,17A) Opportunity for review and comment.** Rescinded IAB 1/30/08, effective 3/5/08.

**641—176.7(135,17A) Public notice of available funds.** The program making funds available through a competitive selection application process shall post all competitive selection documents on the department of public health's Web site at <http://www.idph.state.ia.us> for the duration of the application period.

**641—176.8(135,17A) Appeals.**

**176.8(1) Appeal.** Letters of intent and applications received by the department after the due date and time stated in the competitive selection application will be rejected, returned to the applicant, and not reviewed by the department. An applicant may appeal the denial of a timely submitted application. The appeal shall be submitted in writing within ten business days of receipt of notification of the adverse decision. The appeal shall be addressed to the contract administrator cited in the competitive selection application guidance, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. In the event of an appeal, the department will continue working with the applicant awarded funding pending the outcome of the appeal.

**176.8(2) Contested case.** Upon receipt of an appeal that meets contested case status, the appeal shall be forwarded within five working days to the department of inspections and appeals (DIA) pursuant to the administrative rules adopted by DIA regarding transmission of cases.

**176.8(3) Hearing.** Parties shall receive notice of the hearing in advance. The administrative law judge shall schedule the time, place, and date of the hearing so that the hearing is held as expeditiously as possible. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedural rules for contested case hearings found at 481—Chapter 10.

**176.8(4) Decision of administrative law judge.** The administrative law judge's decision shall be issued within 60 days from the date of the hearing. The administrative law judge's proposed decision shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service. The proposed decision and order becomes the department's final decision without further proceedings 10 days after it is received by the aggrieved party unless an appeal to the director is filed by either of the parties as provided in subrule 176.8(5) or the director serves notice on the parties of the director's intent to review the decision.

**176.8(5) Appeal to director.** Any appeal to the director for review of a proposed decision shall be mailed to the director by certified mail, return receipt requested, or delivered by personal service within ten days after the receipt of the administrative law judge's proposed decision and order by the aggrieved party. A copy of the appeal shall also be mailed to the administrative law judge and the other parties. A request for appeal shall include the specific grounds for appeal.

**176.8(6) *Record of hearing.*** Upon receipt of an appeal request, the administrative law judge shall prepare a record of the hearing for submission to the director. The record shall include the following:

- a. All pleadings, motions, and rules;
- b. All evidence received or considered and all other submissions by recording or transcript;
- c. All statements of matters officially noticed;
- d. All questions and offers of proof, objections, and rulings thereon;
- e. All proposed findings and exceptions; and
- f. The proposed decision and order of the administrative law judge.

**176.8(7) *Decision of director.*** Upon receipt of a properly filed appeal, the director shall establish a briefing schedule and, at the discretion of the director, an opportunity for oral argument. An appeal to the director shall be based on the record made at the hearing. The director may reverse or modify any finding of fact if a preponderance of the evidence will support a determination to reverse or modify such a finding, or may reverse or modify any conclusion of law the director finds to be in error. The decision and order of the director shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service, and becomes the department's final decision upon receipt by the aggrieved party.

**176.8(8) *Exhausting administrative remedies.*** It is not necessary to file an application for rehearing to exhaust administrative remedies when appealing to the director or the district court as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.19.

**176.8(9) *Judicial review.*** The aggrieved party to the final decision of the department who has exhausted all administrative remedies may petition for judicial review of that action pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A. Petitions for judicial review shall be filed within 30 days after the decision becomes final. The party who appeals a final agency action to district court shall pay the costs of the preparation of a transcript of the contested case hearing for the district court.

**176.8(10) *Applicability of rule.*** This rule governs the appeal process for a competitive selection process if the specific administrative rules of the relevant program do not contain a process for appeal.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 17A and 135.

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CHAPTER 177  
HEALTH DATA

**641—177.1(76GA,ch1212) Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to collect and provide access to health information to health care providers, health care subscribers, third-party payors and the general public. Such information may be collected from state agencies, health care providers, the state medical assistance program, third-party payors, associations, and other appropriate sources.

**641—177.2(76GA,ch1212) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Confidential record”* in these rules means a record which is not available as a matter of right for examination and copying by members of the public under applicable provisions of law. Confidential records include records or information contained in records that the agencies are prohibited by law from making available for examination by members of the public, and records or information contained in records that are specified as confidential by Iowa Code section 22.7, or other provision of law, but that may be disclosed upon order of a court, the lawful custodian of the record, or by another person duly authorized to release the record. Mere inclusion in a record of information declared confidential by an applicable provision of law does not necessarily make that entire record a confidential record. Included in the definition are those data collected by the department, pursuant to 1996 Iowa Acts, chapter 1212, for preparation and dissemination as compilations.

*“Contractor”* means a nonprofit corporation acting, pursuant to written agreement with the department to, among other things, compile, correlate and develop data for release by the department in accordance with the provisions of 1996 Iowa Acts, chapter 1212.

*“Department”* is defined as Iowa department of public health.

*“Payor”* is as defined by Iowa Code chapter 144C.

*“Record”* in these rules means the whole or a part of a “public record” as defined in Iowa Code section 22.1, that is owned by or in the physical possession of this agency.

**641—177.3(76GA,ch1212) Description of data to be submitted.**

**177.3(1)** The department shall collect information from other state agencies for the purpose of public dissemination of health data.

**177.3(2)** Hospitals shall submit data to the Iowa Hospital Association which shall serve as an intermediary for the Iowa department of public health. The information shall include inpatient, outpatient and ambulatory information.

**641—177.4(76GA,ch1212) Department studies.** The department shall conduct special studies consistent with the intent of 1996 Iowa Acts, chapter 1212, using data collected in accordance with subrule 177.3(1). In conducting such studies, the department may utilize the services of a contractor.

**641—177.5(76GA,ch1212) Fees.** Fees charged for data provided by the department shall not exceed administrative costs. Such charges may include copying, postage, supervisory, computer programming, time and medium fees.

**641—177.6(76GA,ch1212) Patient confidentiality.** The department shall protect patient confidentiality. Confidential records or parts of such records collected as a part of this process shall be kept confidential. Individual patient names shall not be collected to protect patient confidentiality.

**641—177.7(76GA,ch1212) Department contracting.** Contracting procedures shall follow 641—Chapter 176.

**641—177.8(76GA,ch1212) Address and specification for data submissions.** Data required to be submitted pursuant to this chapter shall be sent by agencies and health care providers, or their

representatives, to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Center for Health Statistics, Lucas State Office Building, East 12th and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Data required to be submitted pursuant to this rule shall be sent in the form designated by the department within 30 days following the six-month calendar periods ending in June and December.

These rules are intended to implement 1996 Iowa Acts, chapter 1212.

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CHAPTER 178  
VARIANCES AND WAIVERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

**641—178.1(17A,135) Waivers.**

**178.1(1) Definition.** For purposes of this chapter, “a waiver or variance” means action by the department that suspends, in whole or in part, the requirements or provisions of a rule as applied to an identified person on the basis of the particular circumstances of that person. For simplicity, the term “waiver” shall include both a “waiver” and a “variance.”

**178.1(2) Scope.** This rule outlines generally applicable standards and a uniform process for the granting of an individual waiver from a rule adopted by the department in situations where no other more specifically applicable law provides for a waiver. To the extent another more specific provision of law governs the issuance of a waiver from a particular rule, the more specific provision shall supersede this rule with respect to any waiver from that rule.

**178.1(3) Applicability.** The department may only grant a waiver from a rule if the department has jurisdiction over the rule and the requested waiver is consistent with applicable statutes, constitutional provisions, or other provisions of law. The department may not waive requirements created or duties imposed by statute.

**178.1(4) Criteria for waiver.** In response to a petition completed pursuant to subrule 178.1(6), the department may in its sole discretion issue an order waiving in whole or in part the requirements of a rule if the department finds, based on clear and convincing evidence, all of the following:

- a. The application of the rule would impose an undue hardship on the person for whom the waiver is requested;
- b. The waiver from the requirements of the rule in the specific case would not prejudice the substantial legal rights of any person;
- c. The provisions of the rule subject to the petition for a waiver are not specifically mandated by statute or another provision of law; and
- d. Substantially equal protection of public health, safety, and welfare will be afforded by a means other than that prescribed in the particular rule for which the waiver is requested.

**178.1(5) Filing of petition.** A petition for a waiver must be submitted in writing to the department as follows:

- a. Application for license, registration, certification, or permit. If the petition relates to an application for license, registration, certification, or permit, the petition shall be made in accordance with the filing requirements for the application in question.
- b. Contested cases. If the petition relates to a pending contested case, the petition shall be filed in the contested case proceeding, using the caption of the contested case.
- c. Other. If the petition does not relate to an application or a pending contested case, the petition may be submitted to the department director.
- d. A petition is deemed filed when it is received at the department’s office. A petition should be sent to the Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. The petition must be typewritten or legibly handwritten in ink and substantially conform to the form specified in 641—178.2(17A,135).

**178.1(6) Content of petition.** A petition for waiver shall include the following information where applicable and known to the requester:

- a. The name, address, and telephone number of the person for whom a waiver is being requested and a reference to any related contested case. The petition shall also include the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner’s legal representative, if applicable, and a statement indicating the person to whom communications concerning the petition should be directed.
- b. A description and citation of the specific rule from which a waiver is requested.
- c. The specific waiver requested, including the precise scope and duration.
- d. The relevant facts that the petitioner believes would justify a waiver under each of the four criteria described in subrule 178.1(4). This statement shall include a signed statement from the petitioner

attesting to the accuracy of the facts provided in the petition and a statement of reasons that the petitioner believes will justify a waiver.

*e.* A history of any prior contacts between the department and the petitioner relating to the regulated activity, license, registration, certification, or permit affected by the proposed waiver, including a description of each affected license, registration, certification, or permit held by the requester, any formal charges filed, any notices of violation, contested case hearings, or investigations relating to the regulated activity, license, registration, certification or permit.

*f.* Any information known to the requester regarding the department's action in similar circumstances.

*g.* The name, address, and telephone number of any public agency or political subdivision that also regulates the activity in question or that might be affected by the granting of a waiver.

*h.* The name, address, and telephone number of any person who would be adversely affected by the granting of the petition.

*i.* The name, address, and telephone number of any person with knowledge of the relevant facts relating to the proposed waiver.

*j.* Signed releases of information authorizing persons with knowledge regarding the request to furnish the department with information relevant to the waiver.

**178.1(7) Additional information.** Prior to issuing an order granting or denying a waiver, the department may request additional information from the petitioner relative to the petition and surrounding circumstances. If the petition was not filed in a contested case, the department may, on its own motion or at the petitioner's request, schedule a telephonic or in-person meeting between the petitioner and the department director or the director's designee.

**178.1(8) Notice.** The department shall acknowledge a petition upon receipt. Except where otherwise provided by law, every petition shall be served by the petitioner upon each of the parties of record of the proceeding and on all other persons identified in the petition for waiver as affected by the petition, simultaneously with the filing. The petitioner shall serve the notice on all persons to whom notice is required by any provision of law and provide a written statement to the department attesting that notice has been provided. In addition, the department may give notice to other persons.

**178.1(9) Hearing procedures.** The provisions of Iowa Code sections 17A.10 to 17A.18A regarding contested case hearings shall apply to any petition for a waiver filed within a contested case. A person who objects to a denial of a waiver in proceedings other than a contested case hearing may make an informal appearance before the department director, or the director's designee, to request reconsideration.

**178.1(10) Ruling.** An order granting or denying a waiver shall be in writing and shall contain a reference to the particular person and rule or portion thereof to which the order pertains, a statement of the relevant facts and reasons upon which the action is based, and a description of the precise scope and duration of the waiver if one is issued.

*a. Department discretion.* The final decision on whether the circumstances justify the granting of a waiver shall be made at the sole discretion of the department upon consideration of all relevant factors. Each petition for a waiver shall be evaluated by the department based on the unique, individual circumstances set out in the petition.

*b. Burden of persuasion.* The burden of persuasion rests with the petitioner to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the department should exercise its discretion to grant a waiver from a department rule.

*c. Narrowly tailored exception.* A waiver, if granted, shall provide the narrowest exception possible to the provisions of a rule.

*d. Administrative deadlines.* When the rule from which a waiver is sought establishes administrative deadlines, the department shall balance the special individual circumstances of the petitioner with the overall goal of uniform treatment of all similarly situated persons.

*e. Conditions.* The department may place any condition on a waiver that the department finds desirable to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

*f. Time period of waiver.* A waiver shall not be permanent unless the petitioner can show that a temporary waiver would be impracticable. If a temporary waiver is granted, there is no automatic right

to renewal. At the sole discretion of the department, a waiver may be renewed if the department finds that grounds for a waiver continue to exist.

*g. Time for ruling.* The department shall grant or deny a petition for a waiver as soon as practicable but, in any event, shall do so within 120 days of its receipt unless the petitioner agrees to a later date. However, if a petition is filed in a contested case, the department shall grant or deny the petition no later than the time at which the final decision in that contested case is issued.

*h. When deemed denied.* Failure of the department to grant or deny a petition within the required time period shall be deemed a denial of that petition by the department. However, the department shall remain responsible for issuing an order denying a waiver.

*i. Service of order.* Within seven days of its issuance, any order issued under this rule shall be transmitted to the petitioner or the person to whom the order pertains and to any other person entitled to such notice by any provision of law.

**178.1(11) Public availability.** All orders granting or denying a waiver petition shall be indexed, filed, and available for public inspection as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.3. Petitions for a waiver and orders granting or denying a waiver petition are public records under Iowa Code chapter 22. Some petitions or orders may contain information the department is authorized or required to keep confidential. The department may accordingly redact confidential information from petitions or orders prior to public inspection.

**178.1(12) Summary reports.** Semiannually, the department shall prepare a summary report identifying the rules for which a waiver has been granted or denied, the number of times a waiver was granted or denied for each rule, a citation to the statutory provisions implemented by these rules, and a general summary of the reasons justifying the department’s actions on waiver requests. If practicable, the report shall detail the extent to which the granting of a waiver has affected the general applicability of the rule itself. Copies of this report shall be available for public inspection and shall be provided semiannually to the administrative rules coordinator and the administrative rules review committee.

**178.1(13) Cancellation of a waiver.** A waiver issued by the department pursuant to this rule may be withdrawn, canceled, or modified if, after appropriate notice and hearing, the department issues an order finding any of the following:

- a.* The petitioner or the person who was the subject of the waiver order withheld or misrepresented material facts relevant to the propriety or desirability of the waiver; or
- b.* The alternative means for ensuring that the public health, safety and welfare will be adequately protected after issuance of the waiver order have been insufficient; or
- c.* The subject of the waiver order has failed to comply with all conditions contained in the order.

**178.1(14) Violations.** A violation of a condition in a waiver order shall be treated as a violation of the particular rule for which the waiver was granted. As a result, the recipient of a waiver under this rule who violates a condition of the waiver may be subject to the same remedies or penalties as a person who violates the rule at issue.

**178.1(15) Defense.** After the department issues an order granting a waiver, the order is a defense within its terms and the specific facts indicated therein only for the person to whom the order pertains in any proceeding in which the rule in question is sought to be invoked.

**178.1(16) Judicial review.** Judicial review of the department’s decision to grant or deny a waiver petition may be taken in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**641—178.2(17A,135) Sample petition for waiver.** A petition for waiver filed in accordance with 641—178.1(17A,135) must meet the requirements specified therein and must substantially conform to the following form:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Petition by (name of petitioner) for the waiver/variance of (insert rule citation) relating to (insert the subject matter).	}
PETITION FOR WAIVER/VARIANCE	

1. Provide petitioner's (person asking for a waiver or variance) name, address, and telephone number. Also include the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's legal representative, if applicable, and a statement indicating the person to whom communications concerning the petition should be directed.

2. Describe and cite the specific rule from which a waiver is requested.

3. Describe the specific waiver requested, including the precise scope and time period for which the waiver will extend.

4. Explain the relevant facts and reasons that the petitioner believes justify a waiver. Include in your answer all of the following:

*a.* Why applying the rule would result in undue hardship to the petitioner;

*b.* Why waiving the rule would not prejudice the substantial legal rights of any person;

*c.* Whether the provisions of the rule subject to the waiver are specifically mandated by statute or another provision of law; and

*d.* How substantially equal protection of public health, safety, and welfare will be afforded by a means other than that prescribed in the particular rule for which the waiver is requested.

5. Provide a history of any prior contacts between the department and petitioner relating to the regulated activity, license, registration, certification or permit that would be affected by the waiver. Include a description of each affected license, registration, certification, or permit held by the petitioner, any formal charges filed, any notices of violation, any contested case hearings held, or any investigations related to the regulated activity, license, registration, certification, or permit.

6. Provide information known to the petitioner regarding the department's action in similar circumstances.

7. Provide the name, address, and telephone number of any public agency or political subdivision that also regulates the activity in question or that might be affected by the granting of the petition.

8. Provide the name, address, and telephone number of any person or entity that would be adversely affected by the granting of the waiver.

9. Provide the name, address, and telephone number of any person with knowledge of the relevant facts relating to the proposed waiver.

10. Provide signed releases of information authorizing persons with knowledge regarding the request to furnish the department with information relevant to the waiver.

I hereby attest to the accuracy and truthfulness of the above information.

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Petitioner's signature

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Date

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CHAPTER 179

Reserved

CHAPTER 180

HOSPITAL PROTOCOL FOR DONOR REQUESTS

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CHAPTER 181

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CHAPTERS 181 and 182

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CHAPTER 190

CONSENT FOR THE SALE OF GOODS AND SERVICES

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CHAPTER 191  
ADVISORY BODIES OF THE DEPARTMENT

**641—191.1(135) Definitions.** For the purpose of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Advisory body*” means a council, committee, or task force whose members have been appointed by the governor, the director or the director’s designee to provide advice or technical assistance to the department in an identified area of public health. An advisory body has no substantive authority to affect individual rights, duties or responsibilities.

“*Chairperson*” means the chair of the advisory body who has been elected by the majority of the advisory body’s members.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of public health.

“*Designee*” means the individual designated by the director.

“*Director*” means the director of public health.

“*Governor*” means the governor of Iowa.

**641—191.2(135) Purpose.** The department may from time to time establish an advisory body for the provision of advice or technical assistance in an identified area of public health. These rules are applicable only to an advisory body established for a period to exceed one year or more. These rules do not apply to an advisory body governed by other administrative rule or statute.

**641—191.3(135) Appointment.** Members of the advisory body shall be appointed by the governor, director, or designee. The appointments, unless provided otherwise by law, shall be for three-year staggered terms which shall expire on June 30.

**191.3(1)** Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made. Appointments shall complete the original member’s term.

**191.3(2)** Absences. Three consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for the director to consider dismissal of the advisory body member and to appoint another. The chairperson of the advisory body is charged with providing notification of absences.

**641—191.4(135) Officers.** Officers of the advisory body shall be a chairperson and a vice chairperson and shall be elected at the first meeting of each fiscal year unless designated at the time of appointment. Vacancies in the office of chairperson shall be filled by elevation of the vice chairperson. Vacancies in the office of vice chairperson shall be filled by election at the next meeting after the vacancy occurs. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the advisory body, appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary, and designate the chairperson of each subcommittee. If the chairperson is absent or unable to act, the vice chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. When so acting, the vice chairperson shall have all the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the chairperson. The vice chairperson shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the chairperson.

**641—191.5(135) Meetings.**

**191.5(1)** The advisory body shall establish a meeting schedule on an annual basis to conduct its business. Meetings may be scheduled as business requires, but notice to members must be at least five working days prior to the meeting date. A four-week notice is encouraged to accommodate the schedules of professional members.

**191.5(2)** Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

**191.5(3)** Action on any issue before the advisory body can only be taken by a majority vote of the entire membership. The advisory body shall maintain information sufficient to indicate the vote of each member present.

**641—191.6(135) Subcommittees.** The advisory body may designate one or more subcommittees to perform such duties as may be deemed necessary.

**641—191.7(135) Expenses of advisory body members.** The following may be considered necessary expenses for reimbursement of advisory body members when incurred on behalf of advisory body business and are subject to established state reimbursement rates:

1. Reimbursement for travel in a private car.
2. Actual lodging and meal expenses including sales tax on lodging and meals.
3. Actual expense of public transportation.

**641—191.8(135) Gender balance.** All advisory bodies of the department appointed by the governor, director or designee, if not otherwise provided by law, shall be gender-balanced.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.11.

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CHAPTER 192  
CHILD SUPPORT NONCOMPLIANCE

**641—192.1(252J) Issuance or renewal of a license—denial.** The department or board shall deny the issuance or renewal of a license upon the receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the child support recovery unit of the department of human services according to the procedures in Iowa Code chapter 252J. In addition to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 252J, the following shall apply.

**192.1(1)** The notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8 shall be served upon the applicant or licensee by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or personal service in accordance with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure 56.1. Alternatively, the applicant or licensee may accept service personally or through authorized counsel.

**192.1(2)** The effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the applicant or licensee.

**192.1(3)** The department or board's administrator is authorized to prepare and serve the notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8, upon the applicant or licensee.

**192.1(4)** Applicants and licensees shall keep the department or board informed of all court actions, and all child support recovery unit actions taken under or in connection with Iowa Code chapter 252J, and shall provide the department or board copies, within seven days of filing or issuance, of all applications filed with the district court pursuant to Iowa Code section 252J.9, all court orders entered in such actions, and withdrawals of certificates of noncompliance by the child support recovery unit.

**192.1(5)** All department or board fees required for application, license renewal, or license reinstatement must be paid by applicants or licensees before a license will be issued, renewed, or reinstated after the department or board has denied the issuance or renewal of a license pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 252J.

**192.1(6)** In the event an applicant or licensee timely files a district court action following service of a department or board notice pursuant to Iowa Code sections 252J.8 and 252J.9, the department or board shall continue with the intended action described in the notice upon the receipt of a court order lifting the stay, dismissing the action, or otherwise directing the department or board to proceed. For purposes of determining the effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, the department or board shall count the number of days before the action was filed and the number of days after the action was disposed of by the court.

**192.1(7)** The department or board shall notify the applicant or licensee in writing through regular first-class mail, or such other means as the department or board determines appropriate in the circumstances, within ten days of the effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, and shall similarly notify the applicant or licensee if the license is issued or renewed following the department or board's receipt of a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance.

**641—192.2(252J) Suspension or revocation of a license.** The department or board shall suspend or revoke a license upon the receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the child support recovery unit of the department of human services according to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 252J. In addition to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 252J, the following shall apply.

**192.2(1)** The notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8 shall be served upon the licensee by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or personal service in accordance with Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure 56.1. Alternatively, the licensee may accept service personally or through authorized counsel.

**192.2(2)** The effective date of the suspension or revocation of a license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the licensee.

**192.2(3)** The department or board's administrator is authorized to prepare and serve the notice required by Iowa Code section 252J.8 and is directed to notify the licensee that the license will be suspended unless the license is already suspended on other grounds. In the event that the license is on

suspension, the administrator shall notify the licensee of the department or board's intention to revoke the license.

**192.2(4)** Licensee shall keep the department or board informed of all court actions, and all child support recovery unit action taken under or in connection with Iowa Code chapter 252J, and shall provide the department or board copies, within seven days of filing or issuance, of all applications filed with the district court pursuant to Iowa Code section 252J.9, all court orders entered in such actions and withdrawals of certificates of noncompliance by the child support recovery unit.

**192.2(5)** All department or board fees required for license renewal or license reinstatement must be paid by licensees before a license will be reinstated after the department or board has suspended or revoked a license pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 252J.

**192.2(6)** In the event a licensee files a district court action following service of a department or board notice pursuant to Iowa Code sections 252J.8 and 252J.9, the department or board shall continue with the intended action described in the notice upon the receipt of a court order lifting the stay, dismissing the action, or otherwise directing the department or board to proceed. For purposes of determining the effective date of the suspension or revocation, the department or board shall count the number of days before the action was filed and the number of days after the action was disposed of by the court.

**192.2(7)** The department or board shall notify the licensee in writing through regular first-class mail, or such other means as the department or board determines appropriate in the circumstances, within ten days of the effective date of the suspension or revocation of a license, and shall similarly notify the licensee if the license is reinstated following the department or board's receipt of a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance.

**641—192.3(17A,22,252J) Sharing of information.** Notwithstanding any statutory confidentiality provision, the department or board may share information with the child support recovery unit of the department of human services through manual or automated means for the sole purpose of identifying applicants or licensees subject to enforcement under Iowa Code chapter 252J or Iowa Code chapter 598.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 252J.

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CHAPTER 193  
IMPAIRED PRACTITIONER REVIEW COMMITTEE

**641—193.1(272C) Impaired practitioner review committee.** Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272C.3(1)“k,” the department establishes the impaired practitioner review committee.

**193.1(1) Definitions.**

“Committee” means the impaired practitioner review committee.

“Contract” means the written document establishing the terms for participation in the impaired practitioner program prepared by the committee.

“Impairment” means an inability to practice with reasonable safety and skill as a result of alcohol or drug abuse, dependency, or addiction, or any neuropsychological or physical disorder or disability.

“Practitioner” means a person licensed under Iowa Code chapter 147, 148C, 149, 152B, 152C, 152D, 154A, or 155.

“Self-report” means the licensee’s providing written or oral notification to the board that the licensee has been or may be diagnosed as having an impairment prior to the board’s receiving a complaint or report alleging the same from a second party.

**193.1(2) Purpose.** The impaired practitioner review committee evaluates, assists, monitors and, as necessary, makes reports to the board on the recovery or rehabilitation of practitioners who self-report impairments.

**193.1(3) Composition of the committee.** The chairperson of the board shall appoint the members of the committee. The membership of the committee includes, but is not limited to:

a. One practitioner, licensed under the same board or similar professional licensing board who has remained free of addiction for a period of no less than two years since successfully completing a board-approved recovery program and board-ordered probation for drug or alcohol dependency, addiction, or abuse;

b. One practitioner with expertise in substance abuse/addiction treatment programs;

c. One public member of the board.

**193.1(4) Eligibility.** To be eligible for participation in the impaired practitioner recovery program, a licensee must meet all the following criteria:

a. The licensee must self-report an impairment or suspected impairment directly to the office of the board.

b. The licensee must not have engaged in the unlawful diversion or distribution of controlled substances or illegal substances.

c. At the time of the self-report, the licensee must not already be under board order for an impairment of any other violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of the profession.

d. The licensee has not caused harm or injury to a client.

e. There is currently no board investigation of the licensee that the committee determines concerns serious matters related to the ability to practice with reasonable safety and skill or in accordance with the accepted standards of care.

f. The licensee has not been subject to a civil or criminal sanction, or ordered to make reparations or remuneration by a government or regulatory authority of the United States, this or any other state or territory or a foreign nation for actions that the committee determines to be serious infractions of the laws, administrative rules, or professional ethics related to the practice of the licensee’s profession.

g. The licensee has provided truthful information and fully cooperated with the board or committee.

**193.1(5) Meetings.** The committee shall meet as necessary in order to review licensee compliance, develop consent agreements for new referrals, and determine eligibility for continued monitoring.

**193.1(6) Terms of participation.** A licensee shall agree to comply with the terms for participation in the impaired practitioner program established in a contract. Conditions placed upon the licensee and the duration of the monitoring period shall be established by the committee and communicated to the licensee in writing.

**193.1(7) *Noncompliance.*** Failure to comply with the provisions of the agreement shall require the committee to make immediate referral of the matter to the board for possible disciplinary action.

**193.1(8) *Practice restrictions.*** The committee may impose restrictions on the licensee's practice as a term of the contract until such time as it receives a report from an approved evaluator that the licensee is capable of practicing with reasonable safety and skill. As a condition of participating in the program, a licensee is required to agree to restricted practice in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. In the event that the licensee refuses to agree to or comply with the restrictions established in the contract, the committee shall refer the licensee to the board for appropriate action.

**193.1(9) *Limitations.*** The committee establishes the terms and monitors a participant's compliance with the program specified in the contract. The committee is not responsible for participants who fail to comply with the terms of or successfully complete the impaired practitioner program. Participation in the program under the auspices of the committee shall not relieve the board of any duties and shall not divest the board of any authority or jurisdiction otherwise provided. Any violation of the statutes or rules governing the practice of the licensee's profession by a participant shall be referred to the board for appropriate action.

**193.1(10) *Confidentiality.*** The committee is subject to the provisions governing confidentiality established in Iowa Code section 272C.6. Accordingly, information in the possession of the board or the committee about licensees in the program shall not be disclosed to the public. Participation in the impaired practitioner program under the auspices of the committee is not a matter of public record.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272C.

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CHAPTER 194  
SCOPE OF PRACTICE REVIEW COMMITTEES

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CHAPTER 195  
STUDENT LOAN DEFAULT/NONCOMPLIANCE WITH  
AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENT OF OBLIGATION

**641—195.1(261) General definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Certificate of noncompliance*” means written certification from the college student aid commission to the licensing authority certifying that the licensee has defaulted on an obligation owed to or collected by the commission.

“*Commission*” means the college student aid commission.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Licensing authority*” means the department or board.

**641—195.2(261) Issuance or renewal of a license—denial.** The department or board shall deny the issuance or renewal of a license upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the college student aid commission according to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code sections 261.121 to 261.127.

**195.2(1)** In order to process the certificate of noncompliance received by the department or board, the department or board will maintain records of licensees by name, current known address, and social security number.

**195.2(2)** Upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance duly issued by the commission, the department or board shall initiate procedures for denial of issuance or renewal of licensure.

**195.2(3)** The department or board shall provide notice to the licensee or applicant informing that person of the board’s intent to deny the license and said notice shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service in accordance with the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice shall state all of the following:

*a.* The licensing authority intends to deny issuance or renewal of an individual’s license due to the receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the commission.

*b.* The individual must contact the commission to schedule a conference or to otherwise obtain a withdrawal of a certificate of noncompliance.

*c.* Unless the commission furnishes a withdrawal of a certificate of noncompliance to the licensing authority within 30 days of the issuance of the notice under this subrule, the individual’s license shall be denied.

**195.2(4)** The applicant or licensee served with a notice under 195.2(3) above shall not have a right to a hearing before the board but may request a court hearing pursuant to Iowa Code section 261.127. Such court hearing must be requested within 30 days of the provision of notice.

**195.2(5)** The effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 261.126, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the applicant or licensee.

**195.2(6)** The department’s or board’s administrator is authorized to prepare and serve the notice required by Iowa Code section 261.126 upon the applicant or licensee.

**195.2(7)** All department or board fees required for application, license renewal, or license reinstatement must be paid by applicants or licensees and all continuing education requirements must be met before a license will be issued, renewed, or reinstated after the department or board has denied the issuance or renewal of a license pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 261.

**195.2(8)** In the event an applicant or licensee timely files a district court action following service of a department or board notice pursuant to Iowa Code section 261.126, the department or board shall continue with the intended action described in the notice upon the receipt of a court order lifting the stay, dismissing the action, or otherwise directing the department or board to proceed.

**195.2(9)** Upon the filing of a district court action, the applicant or licensee shall promptly file a copy of the petition filed with the district court with the department or board. In addition, the applicant or licensee shall provide the department or board with copies of all court orders and rulings entered in such action within seven days of the action.

**195.2(10)** For purposes of determining the effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a license, the department or board shall count the number of days before the action was filed and the number of days after the action was disposed of by the court.

**641—195.3(261) Suspension or revocation of a license.** The department or board shall suspend or revoke a license upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the college student aid commission according to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code sections 261.121 to 261.127. In addition to the provisions contained in those sections, the following shall apply:

**195.3(1)** In order to process the certificate of noncompliance received by the department or board, the department or board will maintain records of licensees by name, current known address, and social security number.

**195.3(2)** Upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance duly issued by the commission, the board shall initiate procedures for suspension or revocation of licensure.

**195.3(3)** The board shall provide notice to the licensee informing that person of the board's intent to suspend or revoke the license and said notice shall be served by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service in accordance with the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice shall state all of the following:

*a.* The licensing authority intends to suspend or revoke an individual's license due to the receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the commission.

*b.* The individual must contact the commission to schedule a conference or to otherwise obtain a withdrawal of a certificate of noncompliance.

*c.* Unless the commission furnishes a withdrawal of a certificate of noncompliance to the licensing authority within 30 days of the issuance of the notice under this subrule, the individual's license shall be suspended or revoked.

**195.3(4)** The licensee served with a notice under 195.3(3) above shall not have a right to a hearing before the board but may request a court hearing pursuant to Iowa Code section 261.127. Such court hearing must be requested within 30 days of the provision of notice.

**195.3(5)** The effective date of the suspension or revocation of a license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 261.126, shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the licensee.

**195.3(6)** The department's or board's administrator is authorized to prepare and serve the notice required by Iowa Code section 261.126 upon the licensee.

**195.3(7)** All department or board fees required for application, license renewal, or license reinstatement must be paid by applicants or licensees and all continuing education requirements must be met before a license will be issued, renewed, or reinstated after the department or board has suspended or revoked a license pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 261.

**195.3(8)** In the event a licensee timely files a district court action following service of a department or board notice pursuant to Iowa Code section 261.126, the department or board shall continue with the intended action described in the notice upon the receipt of a court order lifting the stay, dismissing the action, or otherwise directing the department or board to proceed.

**195.3(9)** Upon the filing of a district court action, the licensee shall promptly file a copy of the petition filed with the district court with the department or board. In addition, the licensee shall provide the department or board with copies of all court orders and rulings entered in such action within seven days of the action.

**195.3(10)** For purposes of determining the effective date of the suspension or revocation, the department or board shall count the number of days before the action was filed and the number of days after the action was disposed of by the court.

**641—195.4(17A,22,261) Sharing of information.** Notwithstanding any statutory confidentiality provision, the department or board may share information with the commission for the sole purpose of identifying applicants or licensees subject to enforcement under Iowa Code chapter 261.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 261.

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CHAPTER 200  
STANDARDS COMMITTEE PROCEDURES—CHANGES IN STANDARDS  
FOR THE STATE HEALTH PLAN  
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CHAPTER 201  
ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEMS

LICENSURE AND REGULATION

**641—201.1(135,75GA,ch158) Purpose and scope.** The following rules developed by the department of public health govern the organization and regulation of organized delivery systems, also referred to as accountable health plans, pursuant to the authority set forth by the Seventy-fifth General Assembly in Senate File 380, which can also be found in chapter 158 of the 1993 Iowa Acts. It is the intent of these rules to allow for flexibility in the formation of organized delivery systems while ensuring accountability for the cost, quality and access to health care for those they serve. This chapter shall apply to all organized delivery systems operating in this state or providing coverage to Iowa residents. This chapter is not intended to apply to entities that fall under the regulation of the division of insurance.

**641—201.2(135,75GA,ch158) Definitions.**

*“Accountable health plan (AHP)”* means a type of organized delivery system.

*“Commissioner”* means the commissioner of insurance.

*“Coverage decision”* means a final adverse decision based on medical necessity. This definition does not include a denial of coverage for a service or treatment specifically listed in plan or evidence of coverage documents as excluded from coverage.

*“Department”* means the department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the department of public health.

*“Emergency medical condition”* means a medical condition that manifests itself by symptoms of sufficient severity, including but not limited to severe pain, that an ordinarily prudent person, possessing average knowledge of medicine and health, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in one of the following:

1. Placing the health of the individual, or with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child, in serious jeopardy.
2. Serious impairment to bodily function.
3. Serious dysfunction of a bodily organ or part.

*“Emergency services”* means covered inpatient and outpatient health care services that are furnished by a health care provider who is qualified to provide the services that are needed to evaluate or stabilize an emergency medical condition.

*“Enrollee”* means an individual, or an eligible dependent, who receives health care benefits coverage through an organized delivery system.

*“Essential community providers”* means those publicly funded health care providing organizations which the director deems to be vital to a local health care delivery system to ensure that all vulnerable populations in Iowa have assured access to health care.

*“Independent review entity”* means a reviewer or entity, certified by the commissioner pursuant to Iowa Code section 514J.6 [1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 41, section 12].

*“Organized delivery system (ODS)”* means an organization with defined governance that is responsible for delivering or arranging to deliver the full range of health care services covered under a standard benefit plan and is accountable to the public for the cost, quality and access of its services and for the effect of its services on their health. The organization operating as an ODS shall assume risk and be subject to solvency standards as found in 201.12(135,75GA,ch158).

*“Primary care”* means essential, community-based health care services that are coordinated, comprehensive, accountable and accessible on a first contact and on an ongoing basis. Primary care includes diagnosis and treatment, prevention, maintenance, management of chronic problems, and linkages for specialized care.

*“Standard benefit plan”* means, at a minimum, the same benefit plan that is required of small group insurers under Iowa Code chapter 513B.

“*Utilization review*” means a program or process by which an evaluation is made of the necessity, appropriateness, and efficiency of the use of health care services, procedures, or facilities given or proposed to be given to an individual within this state. Such evaluation does not apply to requests by an individual or provider for a clarification, guarantee, or statement of an individual’s health insurance coverage or benefits provided under a health insurance policy, nor to claims adjudication. Unless it is specifically stated, verification of benefits, preauthorization, or a prospective or concurrent utilization review program or process shall not be construed as a guarantee or statement of insurance coverage or benefits for any individual under a health insurance policy.

**641—201.3(135,75GA,ch158) Application.** An ODS shall not operate in Iowa without an approved application from the department. An application on forms provided by the department accompanied by a filing fee of \$2,000 (a portion of this fee is for the solvency review) payable to the department, shall be completed by an authorized representative of the organized delivery system. The application shall be submitted in duplicate. An application shall not be deemed to be filed until all information necessary to properly process said application has been received by the department; this includes information that addresses rules 201.4(135,75GA,ch158) through 201.15(135,75GA,ch158). The application shall set forth or be accompanied by the following:

1. A copy of the basic organizational document of the applicant such as the articles of incorporation, articles of association, partnership agreement, trust agreement, or other applicable documents and all of its amendments.

2. A copy of the bylaws, rules or similar document, if any, regulating the governance and the conduct of the internal affairs of the applicant.

3. A list of names, addresses and official position of the persons who are to be responsible for the conduct of the affairs of the applicant, including all members of the board of directors, board of trustees, executive committee, or other governing board or committee, the principal officers of a corporation and the partners or members if a partnership or association.

4. A copy of the form of evidence of coverage.

5. A copy of the form of the group contract, if any, which is to be issued to employers, unions, trustees or other organizations.

6. Financial statements showing the applicant’s current assets, liabilities and sources of financial support. If the applicant’s financial affairs are audited by an independent certified public accountant, a copy of the applicant’s most recent regular certified financial statement shall satisfy this requirement unless the department directs that additional financial information is required.

7. A description of the proposed method of marketing the plan, a financial plan which includes a three-year projection of operating results anticipated, and a statement as to the sources of funding.

8. A statement describing the geographic area to be served.

9. A description of the complaint procedures to be utilized.

10. A sample copy of the provider contract for risk-bearing providers.

**641—201.4(135,75GA,ch158) Governing body.** An organized delivery system shall have a basic written organizational document setting forth its scheme of organization and establishing a governing body appropriate to its form of organization. The governing body shall be responsible for matters of policy and operation.

**201.4(1)** The ODS shall provide for enrollee representation on the governing body. The organizational document shall describe what this representation shall be and the method the ODS proposes to use to achieve enrollee representation.

**201.4(2)** Advisory committee. An ODS shall have an enrollee advisory committee to the board. The majority of the members of this advisory committee shall be enrollees with no official capacity within the ODS.

**641—201.5(135,75GA,ch158) Service area/geographic access.**

**201.5(1)** An organized delivery system shall establish its own service area subject to approval by the department. The department shall approve only service areas where the county was used as the basic building block.

**201.5(2)** The ODS's plan of operation shall address the capability of the ODS to serve an enrollee residing anywhere in the service area.

**201.5(3)** ODSs shall cover emergency care to enrollees who are traveling outside the ODS's service area. The ODS may impose copayments or deductibles for such care to the extent permitted by the enrollee's policy and may require the enrollee to return to the service area for continuing treatment as soon as the enrollee's condition reasonably permits such travel.

**201.5(4)** An ODS shall provide geographic access to its enrollees within its service area as follows:

*a.* Primary care shall be available within 30 minutes' travel time.

*b.* Primary inpatient hospital care shall be available within 60 minutes' travel time. Inpatient hospital services at a secondary or tertiary level may be made available at a referral center exceeding the 60-minute limit and may be located outside the service area.

*c.* The above requirements do not require that care be provided within the state of Iowa.

**201.5(5)** A licensed ODS wishing to expand its service area shall seek approval from the department for the expansion. The ODS shall submit evidence that the requirements of subrules 201.5(1) through 201.5(4) can be met for the additional counties.

**641—201.6(135,75GA,ch158,78GA,ch41) Provider network and contracts; treatment and services.**

**201.6(1)** Each ODS shall have flexibility in establishing a provider network to achieve the balance of providers which best meets the needs of its enrollees. An ODS may determine its own standards and criteria by which it determines which providers will be included in its network. These standards and criteria shall be public and the ODS shall be held accountable for abiding by the standards and criteria. An ODS shall establish an internal first level provider appeal process.

**201.6(2)** An ODS shall not use the design of its provider network as a means for discouraging enrollment from high-risk or special needs populations.

**201.6(3)** Each ODS shall provide data to the department on the utilization of all providers by its enrollees, by provider type. This information shall be disseminated as part of the ODS report card.

**201.6(4)** A list of available ODS providers, which shall be updated at least once a year, shall be provided to enrollees on request.

**201.6(5)** An ODS shall be encouraged to establish working relationships with essential community providers. The department shall provide for the identification of essential community providers within the service area of each ODS. The director shall establish criteria for essential community provider designation. The criteria shall focus on:

*a.* Whether the provider has a demonstrated record of service to impoverished or medically underserved populations which face language, ethnic, or cultural barriers to health care access or which have health care needs that are not being met by other providers in the geographic area; and

*b.* Whether the provider is an entity who serves all patients regardless of ability to pay and who charges for services on an income-based sliding fee schedule.

**201.6(6)** Emergency services. Emergency services, as defined in rule 201.2(135,75GA,ch158), shall be provided by the ODS, either through its own facilities or through guaranteed arrangements with other providers, on a 24-hour basis.

*a.* A physician and sufficient other licensed and ancillary personnel shall be readily available at all times to render such services.

*b.* Since ODSs are not required to contract with every emergency care provider in an area, ODSs shall make every effort to inform enrollees of participating providers.

*c.* Reimbursement to a provider of emergency services shall not be denied by any ODS without review of the patient's medical history, presenting symptoms, and admitting or initial as well as final diagnosis, submitted by the provider, in determining whether, by definition, emergency services could reasonably have been expected to be provided.

*d.* Reimbursement for emergency services shall not be denied solely on the grounds that services were performed by a noncontracted provider. Coverage for emergency services is subject to the terms and conditions of the health plan or contract.

*e.* If reimbursement for emergency services is denied, the enrollee may file a complaint with the ODS as outlined in rule 201.7(135,75GA,ch158). Upon denial of reimbursement for emergency services, the ODS shall notify the enrollee and the provider that they may register a complaint with the department.

*f.* Prior authorization for emergency services shall not be required. All services necessary to evaluate and stabilize an emergency medical condition shall be considered covered emergency services.

**201.6(7)** All provider contracts shall contain the following provisions:

*a.* (Provider), or its assignee or subcontractor, hereby agrees that in no event, including, but not limited to, nonpayment by the ODS, ODS insolvency or breach of this agreement, shall (provider), or its assignee or subcontractor, bill, charge, collect a deposit from, seek compensation, remuneration or reimbursement from, or have any recourse against subscriber/enrollee or persons other than the ODS acting on their behalf for services provided pursuant to this agreement. This provision shall not prohibit collection of supplemental charges or copayments on an ODS's behalf made in accordance with the terms of (applicable agreement) between an ODS and subscriber/enrollee.

*b.* (Provider), or its assignee or subcontractor, further agrees that (1) this provision shall survive the termination of this agreement regardless of the cause giving rise to termination and shall be construed to be for the benefit of the ODS subscriber/enrollee and that (2) this provision supersedes any oral or written contrary agreement now existing or hereafter entered into between (provider) and subscriber/enrollee or persons acting on their behalf.

**201.6(8)** Prohibition of interference with medical communications.

*a.* An ODS shall not prohibit, penalize, or otherwise restrict a participating provider from advising an enrollee of the ODS about the health status of the enrollee or medical care or treatment of the enrollee's condition or disease, regardless of whether benefits for such care or treatment are provided under the plan, if the provider is acting within the lawful scope of practice.

*b.* An ODS shall not penalize a provider because the provider, in good faith, reports to state or federal authorities any act or practice by the ODS that, in the opinion of the provider, jeopardizes patient health or welfare.

*c.* An ODS shall not prohibit, penalize, or otherwise restrict a provider from advocating on behalf of a covered individual within a review or grievance process established by the organized delivery system.

**201.6(9)** Continuity of care—pregnancy.

*a.* An ODS that terminates its contract with a participating health care provider shall continue to provide coverage under the contract to a covered person in the second or third trimester of pregnancy for continued care from such health care provider. Such persons may continue to receive such treatment or care through postpartum care related to the child birth and delivery. Payment for covered benefits and benefit levels shall be according to the terms and conditions of the contract.

*b.* A covered person who makes an involuntary change in health plans may request that the new health plan cover the services of the covered person's physician specialist who is not a participating health care provider under the new health plan, if the covered person is in the second or third trimester of pregnancy. Continuation of such coverage shall continue through postpartum care related to the child birth and delivery. Payment for covered benefits and benefit level shall be according to the terms and conditions of the new health plan contract.

*c.* An ODS that terminates the contract of a participating health care provider for cause shall not be liable to pay for health care services provided by the health care provider to a covered person following the date of termination.

**201.6(10)** Continuity of care—terminal illness.

*a.* If an ODS terminates its contract with a participating health care provider, a covered individual who is undergoing a specified course of treatment for a terminal illness or a related condition, with the recommendation of the covered individual's treating physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A, may continue to receive coverage for treatment received from the covered individual's

physician for the terminal illness or a related condition, for a period of up to 90 days. Payment for covered benefits and benefit level shall be according to the terms and conditions of the contract.

*b.* A covered person who makes a change in health plans involuntarily may request that the new health plan cover services of the covered person's treating physician licensed under Iowa Code chapter 148, 150, or 150A, who is not a participating health care provider under the new health plan, if the covered person is undergoing a specified course of treatment for a terminal illness or a related condition. Continuation of such coverage shall continue for up to 90 days. Payment for covered benefits and benefit levels shall be according to the terms and conditions of the contract.

*c.* Notwithstanding paragraphs "*a*" and "*b*" above, an ODS that terminates the contract of a participating health care provider for cause shall not be required to cover health care services provided by the health care provider to a covered person following the date of termination.

**201.6(11)** Experimental treatment review. An ODS that limits coverage for experimental medical treatment, drugs, or devices, shall develop and implement a procedure to evaluate experimental medical treatments.

*a.* A description of the procedure must be submitted to the division of insurance in writing and include, at a minimum:

(1) The process used to determine whether the ODS will provide coverage for new medical technologies and new uses of existing technologies;

(2) A requirement for review of information from appropriate government regulatory agencies and published scientific literature concerning new medical technologies, new uses of existing technologies, and the use of external experts in making decisions; and

(3) A process for a person covered under a plan or contract to request an appeal of a denial of coverage because the proposed treatment is experimental.

*b.* An evaluation of a particular treatment shall not be required more than once a year.

*c.* An ODS shall include appropriately licensed or qualified professionals in the evaluation process.

*d.* An ODS that limits coverage for experimental treatment, drugs, or devices shall clearly disclose such limitations in a contract, policy, or certificate of coverage.

**201.6(12)** Utilization review requirements. An organized delivery system that provides health benefits to a covered individual residing in this state shall not conduct utilization review, either directly or indirectly, under a contract with a third party who does not meet the requirements established for accreditation by the Utilization Review Accreditation Commission, National Committee on Quality Assurance, or another national accreditation entity recognized and approved by the commissioner. This subrule does not apply to any utilization review performed solely under contract with the federal government for review of patients eligible for services under any of the following:

1. Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act.
2. The civilian health and medical program of the uniformed services.
3. Any other federal employee health benefit plan.

**641—201.7(135,75GA,ch158) Complaints.** Each ODS shall provide in its bylaws for a system to resolve and record complaints.

**201.7(1)** The complaint system shall provide for the resolution of the following kinds of complaints:

- a.* Complaints about the quality of health care services provided by the ODS.
- b.* Complaints about the availability of health care services.
- c.* Complaints relating to enrollee participation in the operation of the ODS.
- d.* Complaints relating to reimbursement.

**201.7(2)** An ODS shall submit to the department an annual report in a form prescribed by the department which shall include:

- a.* A description of the procedures of the complaint system.
- b.* The total number of complaints handled through the complaint system and a compilation of reasons underlying the complaints filed in accord with 201.7(1).

c. The number, amount and disposition of malpractice claims settled during the year by the ODS and any of its providers.

**641—201.8(135,75GA,ch158) Accountability.** Accountability measures shall be in place to ensure access and quality of care. Each ODS shall provide information to the department on measures of quality, access, member satisfaction, membership and utilization, finance, and management. The department shall publish annually, by November 1 of each year, the indicators that will be required for the reporting year in a document that shall be shared with all licensed ODSs as well as all applicants. Indicators shall be based upon nationally recognized, documented standards.

**201.8(1) Quality.** The department shall establish indicators to measure the quality of care provided by an ODS.

**201.8(2) Access.** The department shall establish indicators of access to care within an ODS. At least one of the indicators shall be the ratio of primary care providers to enrollees by category of provider.

**201.8(3) Member satisfaction.** The following shall be reported by the ODS to demonstrate member satisfaction.

- a. Percent of members indicating overall satisfaction with plan from a member survey.
- b. Submission of a copy of the member satisfaction survey used by the ODS.

**201.8(4) Membership and utilization.** Indicators of utilization shall be established by the department for costs, frequency of procedures, inpatient and outpatient services. Indicators of membership shall include the following:

- a. Member months stratified by age, gender, residence, and purchaser.
- b. Disenrollments by month stratified by age, gender, residence, and purchaser.

**201.8(5) Finance.** Indicators of financial stability and solvency shall be reported according to the standard established in rules 201.12(135,75GA,ch158) and 201.13(135,75GA,ch158).

**201.8(6) Management practices.** Management practices shall be described for the following areas:

- a. Credentialing. The ODS shall describe its credentialing process as provided for in 201.6(1).
- b. Points of service. The ODS shall provide information on the location of providers, including primary care providers, specialty providers, and hospitals, as provided for in 201.5(4).
- c. Quality assessment and improvement activities.
- d. Case management.
- e. Risk management.
- f. Community needs assessments.
- g. Relationships with essential community providers.
- h. Efforts to address the needs of underserved populations and geographic areas.

**641—201.9(135,75GA,ch158) Reporting.**

**201.9(1)** An ODS shall, as part of the application for licensure, submit documentation of ability to comply or plans to achieve compliance with the reporting of the accountability requirements.

**201.9(2)** Narrative information shall be submitted in report format as specified by the department. Until such time that the data for the calculation of the indicators is available from the Community Health Management Information System (CHMIS), the ODS shall submit the calculated indicator, including documentation of the numerator and denominator used, to the department.

**201.9(3)** Reports shall be based upon calendar year information. Narrative information shall be submitted within 90 days of the close of the reporting period. Indicator reports shall be submitted within 45 days of the end of each quarter.

**201.9(4)** The department or its subcontractor shall have the right to validate reports, including record review and site visits. Reasonable costs related to this review shall be the responsibility of the ODS.

**641—201.10(135,75GA,ch158) Evaluation.** The department shall adopt nationally recognized benchmarks for indicators of quality and access. The department shall seek input and advice from the provider community on the indicators and benchmarks. These benchmarks will include minimum performance standards for identifying ODSs with deficit performance. The department shall establish



criteria for issuing provisional licenses and corrective plans of action. Evaluation criteria shall be published annually with the indicators and shall be based upon established criteria. Utilization, member satisfaction, and management information shall be reported as submitted without established benchmarks.

**641—201.11(135,75GA,ch158) Annual report.** The department shall publish annually a report comparing all ODSs licensed in the state on all information contained in 201.8(135,75GA,ch158). The report shall also include comparisons by geographic area.

**641—201.12(135,75GA,ch158) Finance and solvency.** Solvency oversight shall be conducted by the division of insurance under an agreement with the department with examination fees paid as provided for in 201.3(135,75GA,ch158). For purposes of finance and solvency, including investments as detailed in 201.13(135,75GA,ch158), the ODS submits to the jurisdiction of the insurance division.

**201.12(1) Accounting system.** Statutory accounting principles shall apply to ODSs to ensure the accurate and complete reporting of financial information. Any premium or assessment amount that is not paid within three months of the due date shall be assumed uncollectible for financial statement purposes and in considering the amount of assessments and dividends.

**201.12(2) Unencumbered funds.** ODSs shall maintain at all times unencumbered funds that are the greater of:

- a. \$1 million; or
- b. Three times its average monthly claims for third-party providers. Average monthly expenditure is defined as liabilities incurred, including those which are outstanding. In addition to the requirements set forth above, the required unencumbered funds may be increased when, in the insurance commissioner's judgment, it is necessary to do so to protect the enrollees of the ODS.

**201.12(3) Bond requirement.** ODSs shall obtain a surety bond designating the commissioner of insurance as beneficiary in the event of the insolvency of the ODS in the amount and form acceptable to the commissioner of insurance.

**201.12(4) Financially impaired or insolvent ODSs.** The provisions of Iowa Code chapter 507C shall apply to ODSs, which shall be considered insurers for the purposes of chapter 507C. All HMOs and ODSs in the state operating within the service area of the ODS will provide a 30-day open enrollment in the event of insolvency of the ODS with no underwriting or preexisting conditions imposed. The open enrollment plan shall be actuarially equivalent to the standard benefit plan adopted by the small group reinsurance board.

**201.12(5) Examination.** The commissioner of insurance shall make an examination of the affairs of any ODS and its providers as often as the commissioner deems necessary for the protection of the interests of the residents of Iowa, but not less frequently than once every five years. Iowa Code chapter 507 shall be applicable to the examination of ODSs. The expense of such examination shall be assessed against the ODS in the same manner that insurers are assessed for examinations pursuant to chapter 507. ODS providers shall agree to fully cooperate with the insurance commissioner in providing access to books and records necessary for the commissioner to perform the examination process.

**201.12(6) Annual financial statement.** An ODS shall annually, on or before March 1 of each year, file with the commissioner of insurance an annual financial statement, covering the preceding calendar year, in a form prescribed by the commissioner. Such statement shall be verified by at least two of the ODS's principal officers. The ODS shall also file at this time an independent actuarial opinion certifying the adequacy of the ODS unencumbered funds. The commissioner may also request quarterly filings.

**641—201.13(135,75GA,ch158) Investment.**

**201.13(1)** All ODS assets, including unencumbered funds referenced in subrule 201.12(2), shall be invested only in securities or other investments as follows:

- a. All investments made pursuant to this subrule shall have investment qualities and characteristics such that the speculative elements are not predominant.

*b.* Financial terms relating to an ODS have the meanings assigned to them under statutory accounting methods.

*c.* Investments shall be valued in accordance with the valuation procedures established by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, unless the commissioner requires or finds another method of valuation reasonable under the circumstances.

*d.* If an investment qualifies under more than one subrule, the ODS may elect to hold the investment under the subrule of its choice.

**201.13(2)** An ODS's investments shall be held in its own name or the name of its nominee, except as follows:

*a.* Investments may be held in the name of a clearing corporation or of a custodian bank or in the name of the nominee of either on the following conditions:

(1) The clearing corporation, custodian bank, or nominee must be legally authorized to hold the particular investment for the account of others.

(2) When the investment is evidenced by a certificate and held in the name of a custodian bank or the nominee of a custodian bank, a written agreement shall provide that certificates so deposited shall at all times be kept separate and apart from other deposits with the depository, so that at all times they may be identified as belonging solely to the ODS making the deposit.

(3) If a clearing corporation is to act as depository, the investment may be merged or held in bulk in the name of the clearing corporation or its nominee with other investments deposited with the clearing corporation by any other person, if a written agreement between the clearing corporation and the ODS provides that adequate evidence of the deposit is to be obtained and retained by the ODS or a custodian bank.

*b.* An ODS may loan stocks or obligations held by it under this rule to a broker-dealer registered under the federal Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or to a member bank. The loan must be evidenced by a written agreement which provides all of the following:

(1) That the loan shall be fully collateralized by cash or obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States or any agency or an instrumentality of the United States and that the collateral shall be adjusted as necessary each business day during the term of the loan to maintain the required collateralization in the event of market value changes in the loaned securities or collateral.

(2) That the loan may be terminated by the ODS at any time and that the borrower shall return the loaned stocks or obligations within five business days after termination.

(3) That the ODS shall have the right to retain the collateral or use the collateral to purchase investments equivalent to the loaned securities if the borrower defaults under the terms of the agreement and that the borrower shall remain liable for any losses and expenses incurred by the association due to default that are not covered by the collateral.

*c.* An ODS may participate through a member bank in the United States federal reserve book entry system, and the records of the member bank shall at all times show that the investments are held for the ODS or for specific accounts of the ODS.

*d.* An investment may consist of an individual interest in a pool of obligations or a fractional interest in a single obligation if the certificate of participation or interest or the confirmation of participation or interest in the investment is issued in the name of the ODS, the name of the custodian bank, or the nominee of either, and, if the interest as evidenced by the certificate or confirmation is, if held by a custodian bank, kept separate and apart from the investments of others so that at all times the participation may be identified as belonging solely to the ODS making the investment.

*e.* Transfers of ownership of investments held as described in subparagraph 201.13(2) "a"(3) and paragraphs 201.13(2) "c" and "d" may be evidenced by bookkeeping entry on the books of the issuer of the investment, its transfer or recording agent, or the clearing corporation without physical delivery of a certificate evidencing the ODS's investment.

**201.13(3)** Except as provided in paragraph 201.13(2) "e," if an investment is not evidenced by a certificate, adequate evidence of the ODS's investment shall be obtained from the issuer or its transfer or recording agent and retained by the ODS, a custodian bank, or clearing corporation. Adequate evidence,

for purposes of this subrule, means a written receipt or other verification issued by the depository or issuer or a custodian bank which shows that the investment is held for the ODS.

**201.13(4)** Except as otherwise permitted by this rule, an ODS licensed under this chapter shall only invest in the following:

*a. United States government obligations.* Obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.

*b. Certain development bank obligations.* Obligations issued or guaranteed by the international bank for reconstruction and development, the Asian development bank, the inter-American development bank, the export-import bank, the world bank, or any United States government-sponsored organization of which the United States is a member, if the principal and interest is payable in United States dollars. An ODS shall not invest more than 5 percent of its total admitted assets in the obligations of any one of these banks or organizations and shall not invest more than a total of 10 percent of its total admitted assets in the obligations authorized by this subrule.

*c. State obligations.* Obligations issued or guaranteed by a state, a political subdivision of a state, or an instrumentality of a state.

*d. Canadian government obligations.* Obligations issued or guaranteed by Canada, by an agency or province of Canada, by a political subdivision of such province, or by an instrumentality of any of those provinces or political subdivisions.

*e. Corporate and business trust obligations.* Obligations issued, assumed, or guaranteed by a corporation or business trust organized under the laws of the United States or a state, or the laws of Canada or a province of Canada, provided that a company shall not invest more than 5 percent of its admitted assets in the obligations of any one corporation or business trust. Investments shall be made only in investment grade bonds.

*f. Stocks.* Common stocks, common stock equivalents, mutual fund shares securities convertible into common stocks or common stock equivalents, or preferred stocks issued or guaranteed by a corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States or a state, or the laws of Canada or a province of Canada. Aggregate investments in non-dividend-paying stocks shall not exceed 5 percent of unencumbered funds.

(1) Stocks purchased under this lettered paragraph shall not exceed 50 percent of unencumbered funds. With the approval of the commissioner of insurance, an ODS may invest any amount in common stocks, preferred stocks, or other securities of one or more subsidiaries provided that after such investments the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders will be reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to its financial needs.

(2) An ODS shall not invest more than 10 percent of its unencumbered funds in the stocks of any one corporation.

*g. Home office real estate.* Funds may be invested in a home office building, at the direction of the board of directors and with the prior approval of the commissioner of insurance. An ODS shall not invest more than 25 percent of its total admitted assets in such real estate. With the prior approval of the commissioner, an ODS may exceed the real estate investment limitation to effectuate a merger with, or the acquisition of, another ODS.

**641—201.14(135,75GA,ch158) Rating practices.** An ODS shall use the rate restrictions and regulations applicable to each market segment. All form filings shall include an actuarial certification by a fellow in the society of actuaries (FSA) attesting to the adequacy and fairness of the rates.

**641—201.15(135,75GA,ch158) Name.** No name other than that certified by the department may be used. The name of an ODS or AHP must clearly identify the entity as an ODS or AHP and all literature published by the ODS or AHP must identify its status as an ODS or AHP.

**641—201.16(135,75GA,ch158) Change in organizational documents or control.**

**201.16(1)** Changes to bylaws, articles of incorporation and any other document that would affect the operation and governance of the ODS shall be filed with the department at least 30 days prior to their proposed implementation date.

**201.16(2)** An ODS which desires to transfer ownership or control of more than 10 percent of ownership interest in the ODS shall not do so without first submitting a proposed plan to the department for review.

**641—201.17(135,75GA,ch158) Appeal.** A decision by the department to deny an application for licensure as an ODS may be appealed following the procedures in 641—Chapter 173.

**641—201.18(135,78GA,ch41) External review.** This rule is intended to implement the provisions of 1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 41, to provide a uniform process for enrollees of organized delivery systems to appeal a final adverse coverage decision based on medical necessity. This rule applies to any ODS that issues health plans or policies delivered in the state of Iowa. At the time of a coverage decision, an organized delivery system shall notify the enrollee in writing of the right to have the coverage decision reviewed under the external review process established pursuant to 1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 41, by the division of insurance. The request for an external review shall meet the requirements of the commissioner contained at 191—Chapter 76.

**641—201.19** Reserved.

## ANTITRUST

**641—201.20(135,75GA,ch158) Purpose.** The Iowa legislature has determined that the goals of controlling health care costs and improving the quality of and access to health care services will be significantly enhanced by cooperative arrangements involving providers wishing to become an ODS that might be prohibited by state and federal antitrust law if undertaken without governmental involvement. The purpose of the following rules is to institute new public policy by creating an opportunity for the state to review proposed arrangements and to substitute regulation for competition when an arrangement is likely to result in lower costs, or greater access or quality, than would otherwise occur in the marketplace. It is the intent that approval of arrangements be accompanied by appropriate conditions, supervision, and regulation to protect against private abuses of economic power, and that an arrangement approved by the department and accompanied by such appropriate conditions, supervision, and regulation shall not be subject to state and federal antitrust liability. It is the further intent that any immunity from scrutiny under federal or state antitrust statutes offered under these exceptions shall be limited to such specific agreements as are approved by the department, and shall not be extended or applied to unforeseen circumstances, parties, acts, or other agreements which were not part of or contemplated by the approved agreement.

**641—201.21(135,75GA,ch158) Definitions.**

*“Access”* means the financial, temporal, and geographic availability of health care to individuals who need it.

*“Applicant”* means the party or parties to an agreement or business arrangement for which the department’s approval is sought under this provision.

*“Certificate of public advantage”* means the sanction by and protection of the department of public health of an operating arrangement which otherwise might be excepted under certain antitrust regulations.

*“Cost”* or *“cost of health care”* means the amount paid by consumers or third-party payers for health care services or products.

*“Criteria”* means the cost, access, and quality of health care.

*“Department”* means the department of public health.

*“Person”* means an individual or legal entity.

**641—201.22(135,75GA,ch158) Scope.**

**201.22(1) Certificate of public advantage.** Providers or purchasers wishing to engage in contracts, business or financial arrangement, or other activities, practices, or arrangements that might be construed to be violations of state or federal antitrust laws but which are in the best interests of the state and further the policies and goals of this provision may apply to the department for a certificate of public advantage.

**201.22(2) Immunity regarding negotiation.** Directors, trustees, or other representatives of a health care provider or third-party payer who participate in discussion or negotiation culminating in any arrangement as described in subrule 201.22(1) are immune from civil actions or criminal prosecution for a violation of state or federal antitrust laws, unless the discussion or negotiation exceeds the scope authorized in this subrule.

**201.22(3) Disputes among the parties.** Any dispute among the parties to an arrangement as described in subrule 201.22(1) concerning the meaning or terms of their agreement is governed by normal principles of contract law.

**201.22(4) Department approval.** Approval by the department is an absolute defense against any action under state and federal antitrust laws, except as provided under subrule 201.30(5).

**201.22(5) Application cannot be used to impose liability.** The department shall ask the attorney general to comment on an application. The application and any information obtained by the department under rules 201.23(135,75GA,ch158) through 201.25(135,75GA,ch158) that is not otherwise available is not admissible in any civil or criminal proceeding brought by the attorney general or any other person based on an antitrust claim, except (a) a proceeding brought under subrule 201.30(5), based on an applicant's failure to substantially comply with the terms of the application; or (b) a proceeding based on actions taken by the applicant prior to submitting the application, where such actions are admitted to in the application.

**201.22(6) Out-of-state applicant.** Providers or purchasers not physically located in Iowa are eligible to seek a certificate of public advantage for an arrangement in which they transact business in Iowa.

**641—201.23(135,75GA,ch158) Application.**

**201.23(1) Disclosure.** An application for approval must include, to the extent applicable, disclosure of the following:

- a. A descriptive title;
- b. A table of contents;
- c. Exact names of each party to the application and the address of the principal business office of each party;
- d. The name, address, and telephone number of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to the application;
- e. A verified statement by a responsible officer of each party to the application attesting to the accuracy and completeness of the enclosed information;
- f. Background information relating to the proposed arrangement, including:
  - (1) A description of the proposed arrangement, including a list of any services or products that are the subject of the proposed arrangement;
  - (2) An identification of any tangential services or products associated with the services or products that are the subject of the proposed arrangement;
  - (3) A description of the geographic territory involved in the proposed arrangement;
  - (4) If the geographic territory described in subparagraph 201.23(1) "f"(3) is different from the territory in which the applicants have engaged in the type of business at issue over the last five years, a description of how and why the geographic territory differs;
  - (5) Identification of all products or services that a substantial share of consumers would consider substitutes for any service or product that is the subject of the proposed arrangement;
  - (6) Identification of whether any services or products of the proposed arrangement are currently being offered, capable of being offered, utilized, or capable of being utilized by other providers or purchasers in the geographic territory described in subparagraph 201.23(1) "f"(3);

- (7) Identification of the steps necessary, under current market and regulatory conditions, for other parties to enter the territory described in subparagraph 201.23(1) “f”(3) and compete with the applicant;
- (8) A description of the previous history of dealings between the parties to the application;
- (9) A detailed explanation of the projected effects, including expected volume, change in price, and increased revenue, of the arrangement on each party’s current businesses, both generally as well as the aspects of the business directly involved in the proposed arrangement;
- (10) The present market share of the parties to the application and of others affected by the proposed arrangement, and projected market shares after implementation of the proposed arrangement; and
- (11) A statement of why the projected levels of cost, access, or quality could not be achieved in the existing market without the proposed arrangement.

g. A detailed explanation of how the transaction will affect cost, access, and quality. The explanation must address the factors in paragraphs 201.26(2) “b” to “d” to the extent applicable.

**201.23(2) *Administrative bulletin notice.*** In addition to the disclosures required in subrule 201.23(1), the application must contain a written description of the proposed arrangement for purposes of publication in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin. The notice must include sufficient information to advise the public of the nature of the proposed arrangement and to enable the public to provide meaningful comments concerning the expected results of the arrangement. The notice must also state that any person may provide written comments to the department, with a copy to the applicant, within 20 days of the notice’s publication. The department shall approve the notice before publication. If the department determines that the submitted notice does not provide sufficient information, the department may amend the notice before publication and may consult with the applicant in preparing the amended notice. The department shall not publish an amended notice without the applicant’s approval.

**201.23(3) *Multiple parties to proposed arrangement.*** For a proposed arrangement involving multiple parties, one joint application shall be submitted on behalf of all parties to the arrangement.

**201.23(4) *Department’s authority to refuse to review.***

a. If the department determines that an application is unclear, incomplete, or provides an insufficient basis on which to base a decision, the department may return the application. The applicant may complete or revise the application and resubmit it.

b. If, upon review of the application and upon advice from the attorney general, the department concludes that the proposed arrangement does not present any potential for liability under the state or federal antitrust laws, the department may decline to review the application, and so notify the applicant.

c. The department may decline to review any application relating to arrangements already in effect before the submission of the application. However, the department shall review any application if the review is expressly provided for in a settlement agreement entered into by the applicant and the attorney general before the enactment of these rules.

**201.23(5) *Department’s authority to extend time limit.*** Upon the showing of good cause, the department may extend any of the time limits stated in rules 201.23(135,75GA,ch158) and 201.24(135,75GA,ch158) at the request of the applicant or another person.

#### **641—201.24(135,75GA,ch158) Notice and comment.**

**201.24(1) *Notice.*** The department shall cause the notice described in subrule 201.23(2) to be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin and sent to any person who has requested to be placed on a list to receive notice of applications. The department may maintain separate notice lists for different regions of the state. The department may also send a copy of the notice to any person together with a request that the person comment as provided under subrule 201.24(2). Copies of the request must be provided to the applicant.

**201.24(2) *Comments.*** Within 20 days after the notice is published, any person may mail to the department written comments with respect to the application. Persons submitting comments shall provide a copy of the comments to the applicant. The applicant may mail to the department written responses to any comments within 10 days after the deadline for mailing such comments. The applicant shall send a copy of the response to the person submitting the comment.

**641—201.25(135,75GA,ch158) Procedure for review of applications.**

**201.25(1) Choice of procedures.** After the conclusion of the period provided in subrule 201.24(2) for the applicant to respond to comments, the department shall select one of the two procedures provided in subrule 201.25(2). In determining which procedure to use, the department shall consider the following criteria:

- a. The size of the proposed arrangement, in terms of number of parties and amount of money involved;
- b. The complexity of the proposed arrangement;
- c. The novelty of the proposed arrangement;
- d. The substance and quantity of the comments received; and
- e. The presence or absence of any significant gaps in the factual record.

If the applicant demands a contested case hearing no later than the conclusion of the period provided in subrule 201.24(2) for the applicant to respond to comments, the department shall not select a procedure. Instead, the applicant shall be given a contested case proceeding as a matter of right.

**201.25(2) Procedures available.**

a. *Decision on the written record.* The department may issue a decision based on the application, the comments and the applicant's responses to the comments, to the extent each is relevant. In making the decision, the department may consult with the attorney general or the staff of the department and may rely on department data.

b. *Contested case hearing.* The department may order a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing shall be heard before an administrative law judge who shall issue a written recommendation to the department and shall follow the procedures in 641—Chapter 173. All factual issues relevant to a decision must be presented in the contested case. The attorney general may appear as a party. The record in the contested case shall include the application, the comments, the applicant's response to the comments, and any other evidence that is part of the record under 641—Chapter 173.

**641—201.26(135,75GA,ch158) Criteria for decision.**

**201.26(1)** The department shall not approve an application unless the department determines that the arrangement is more likely to result in lower costs, increased access, or increased quality of health care, than would otherwise occur under existing market condition or conditions likely to develop without an exemption from state and federal antitrust law. In the event that a proposed arrangement appears likely to improve one or two of the criteria at the expense of another one or two of the criteria, the department shall not approve the application unless the department determines that the proposed arrangement, taken as a whole, is likely to substantially further the purpose of this chapter. In making such a determination, the department may employ a cost/benefit analysis.

**201.26(2) Factors.**

a. *Generally applicable factors.* In making a determination about cost, access, and quality, the department may consider the following factors, to the extent relevant:

- (1) Market structure: actual and potential sellers and buyers, or providers and purchasers; actual and potential consumers; geographic market area; and entry conditions;
- (2) Current market condition;
- (3) The historical behavior of the market;
- (4) Performance of other similar arrangements;
- (5) Whether the proposal unnecessarily restrains competition, or restrains competition in ways not reasonably related to the purposes of this chapter; and
- (6) The financial condition of the applicant.

b. *Cost.* The department's analysis of cost must focus on the individual consumer of health care. Cost savings to be realized by providers, health carriers, group purchasers, or other participants in the health care system are relevant only to the extent that the savings are likely to be passed on to the consumer. However, where an application is submitted by providers or purchasers who are paid primarily by third-party payers unaffiliated with the applicant, it is sufficient for the applicant to show that cost savings are likely to be passed on to the unaffiliated third-party payers; the applicants do not have the

burden of proving that third-party payers with whom the applicants are not affiliated will pass on cost savings to individuals receiving coverage through the third-party payers. In making determinations as to costs, the department may consider:

- (1) The cost savings likely to result to the applicant;
- (2) The extent to which the cost savings are likely to be passed on to the consumer and in what form;
- (3) The extent to which the proposed arrangement is likely to result in cost-shifting by the applicant onto other payers or purchasers of other products or services;
- (4) The extent to which the cost-shifting by the applicant is likely to be followed by other persons in the market;
- (5) The current and anticipated supply and demand for any products or services at issue;
- (6) The representations and guarantees of the applicant, and their enforceability;
- (7) Likely effectiveness of regulation by the department;
- (8) Inferences to be drawn from market structure;
- (9) The cost of regulation, both for the state and for the applicant; and
- (10) Any other factors tending to show that the proposed arrangement is or is not likely to reduce cost.

c. *Access.* In making determinations as to access, the department may consider:

- (1) The extent to which the utilization of needed health care services or products by the intended targeted population is likely to increase or decrease. When a proposed arrangement is likely to increase access in one geographic area, by lowering prices or otherwise expanding supply, but limits access in another geographic area by removing service capabilities from that second area, the department shall articulate the criteria employed to balance these effects;
- (2) The extent to which the proposed arrangement is likely to make available a new and needed service or product to a certain geographic area; and
- (3) The extent to which the proposed arrangement is likely to otherwise make health care services or products more financially or geographically available to persons who need them.

If the department determines that the proposed arrangement is likely to increase access and bases that determination on a projected increase in utilization, the department shall also determine and make a specific finding that the increased utilization does not reflect overutilization.

d. *Quality.* In making determinations as to quality, the department may consider the extent to which the proposed arrangement is likely to:

- (1) Decrease morbidity and mortality;
- (2) Result in faster convalescence;
- (3) Result in fewer hospital days;
- (4) Permit providers to attain needed experience or frequency of treatment likely to lead to better outcomes;
- (5) Increase patient satisfaction; and
- (6) Have any other features likely to improve or reduce the quality of health care.

**641—201.27(135,75GA,ch158) Decision.**

**201.27(1) Approval or disapproval.** The department shall issue a written decision approving or disapproving the application within 45 days after receipt of the application or, in the case of a contested hearing, within 10 days of receipt of the administrative law judge's recommendation. The department may condition approval on a modification of all or part of the proposed arrangement to eliminate any restriction on competition that is not reasonably related to the goals of reducing cost or improving access or quality. The department may also establish conditions for approval that are reasonably necessary to protect against abuses of private economic power and to ensure that the arrangement is appropriately supervised and regulated by the state.

**201.27(2) Findings of fact.** The department's decision shall make specific findings of fact concerning the cost, access, and quality criteria, and identify one or more of those criteria as the basis for the decision.



**201.27(3) *Data for supervision.*** A decision approving an application shall require the periodic submission of specific data relating to cost, access, and quality, and to the extent feasible, identify objective standards of cost, access, and quality by which the success of the arrangement will be measured. However, if the department determines that the scope of a particular proposed arrangement is such that the arrangement is certain to have neither a positive nor negative impact on one or two of the criteria, the department's decision need not require the submission of data or establish an objective standard relating to those criteria.

**641—201.28(135,75GA,ch158) Appeal.** After the department has rendered a decision, the applicant or any other person aggrieved may appeal the decision to the district court within 30 days after receipt of the department's decision. The appeal is governed by Iowa Code chapter 17A. The department's determination, under subrule 201.25(1), of which procedure to use may not be raised as an issue on appeal.

**641—201.29(135,75GA,ch158) Supervision after approval.**

**201.29(1) *Active supervision.*** The department shall actively supervise, monitor, and regulate approved arrangements, as described below.

**201.29(2) *Procedures.*** The department shall review data submitted periodically by the applicant. The department's order shall set forth the time schedule for the submission of data, which shall be at least once a year. The department's order must identify the data that must be submitted, although the department may subsequently require the submission of additional data or alter the time schedule. Upon review of the data submitted, the department shall notify the applicant of whether the arrangement is in compliance with the department's order. If the arrangement is not in compliance with the department's order, the department shall identify those respects in which the arrangement does not conform to the department's order.

An applicant receiving notification that an arrangement is not in compliance has 30 days in which to respond with additional data. The response may include a proposal and a time schedule by which the applicant shall bring the arrangement into compliance with the department's order. If the arrangement is not in compliance and the department and the applicant cannot agree to the terms of bringing the arrangement into compliance, the matter shall be set for a contested case hearing.

The department shall publish notice in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin two years after the date of an order approving an application, and at two-year intervals thereafter, soliciting comments from the public concerning the impact that the arrangement has had on cost, access, and quality. The department may request additional oral and written information from the applicant or from any other source.

**641—201.30(135,75GA,ch158) Revocation.**

**201.30(1) *Conditions.*** The department may revoke a certificate of public advantage only if:

- a. The arrangement is not in substantial compliance with the terms of the application;
- b. The arrangement is not in substantial compliance with the conditions of approval;
- c. The arrangement is not in substantial compliance with 641—Chapter 201;
- d. The arrangement has not and is not likely to substantially achieve the improvements in cost, access, or quality identified in the approval order as the basis for the department's approval of the arrangement; or

e. The conditions in the marketplace have changed to such an extent that competition would promote reductions in cost and improvements in access and quality better than does the arrangement at issue. In order to revoke on the basis that conditions in the marketplace have changed, the department's order shall identify specific changes in the marketplace and articulate why those changes warrant revocation.

**201.30(2) *Notice.*** The department shall begin a proceeding to revoke approval by providing written notice to the applicant describing in detail the basis for the proposed revocation. Notice of the proceeding shall be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin. The notice shall invite the submission of written

comments to the department, with a copy to the applicant. Comments must be received by the department within 20 days of the publication of the notice.

**201.30(3) Procedure.** A proceeding to revoke an approval shall be conducted as a contested case proceeding upon the written request of the applicant. Contested cases regarding revocations shall be heard by an administrative law judge who shall issue a written recommendation to the department and shall follow the procedures in 641—Chapter 5. Decisions of the department in a proceeding to revoke approval are subject to judicial review under Iowa Code chapter 17A.

**201.30(4) Alternatives to revocation preferred.** In deciding whether to revoke an approval, the department shall take into account the hardship that the revocation may impose on the applicant and any potential disruption of the market as a whole. The department shall not revoke an approval if the arrangement can be modified, restructured, or regulated so as to remedy the problem upon which the revocation proceeding is based. The applicant may submit proposals for alternatives to revocation. Before approving an alternative to revocation that involves modifying or restructuring an arrangement, the department shall publish notice in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin that any person may comment on the proposed modification or restructuring within 20 days after publication of the notice. The department shall not approve the modification or restructuring until the comment period has concluded. An approved, modified, or restructured arrangement shall be subject to appropriate supervision under rule 201.29(135,75GA,ch158).

**201.30(5) Impact of revocation.** An applicant that has had its approval revoked is not required to terminate the arrangement. The applicant cannot be held liable under state or federal antitrust law for acts that occurred while the approval was in effect, except to the extent that the applicant failed to substantially comply with the terms of the approval. The applicant is fully subject to state and federal antitrust law after the revocation becomes effective and may be held liable for acts that occur after the revocation.

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CHAPTER 202  
 CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROGRAM  
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**641—202.1(135) Definitions.**

**202.1(1)** “Any expenditure in excess of five hundred thousand dollars” as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “e” means new capital expenditures and new personnel necessary to operate the service for a year.

**202.1(2)** “Any mobile health service with a value in excess of one million five hundred thousand dollars” as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “l” means the value of all equipment used to provide the service, including the trailer. The party providing the equipment shall be the applicant regardless of the location of that party.

**202.1(3)** “Appropriate geographic service area” as the term applies to defining affected persons in Iowa Code section 135.61(1) “c” shall be defined as follows:

*a.* For applications regarding hospitals, hospitals located in the same county and in Iowa counties contiguous to the county wherein the applicant hospital’s proposed project will be located.

*b.* For applications regarding nursing facilities, other nursing facilities located in the same county and in Iowa counties contiguous to the county wherein the applicant’s proposed nursing facility will be located.

*c.* For applications sponsored by other than the above-mentioned hospitals or health facilities, notice shall be sent to those providers within the same county who offer similar service or might logically be viewed as potential providers of such service.

**202.1(4)** “Bed capacity.”

*a.* Designed bed capacity means the number of beds the facility was originally designed for in architectural plans.

*b.* Usable bed capacity means the number of beds available for patient care excluding that portion of the “designed capacity” which cannot be used as an inpatient bed area by adding staff or movable equipment. For purposes of Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “d,” usable beds will be the bed capacity against which a permanent change is measured. Determination of the usable beds shall be made by the department as a result of the facility’s submitting a number to the department in its annual report for hospitals and related facilities. Usable beds will be categorized in the following ways:

Acute	Long-Term
Medical/surgical	Nursing care (NF)
ICU	Intermediate care/mental retardation (ICF/MR)
CCU	Skilled nursing care (SNF)
Pediatric	
Obstetric	
Psychiatric	
Rehabilitation	
Neonatal intensive care	
Substance abuse	

*c.* Long-term care bed capacity is defined as a facility’s licensed bed capacity.

**202.1(5)** “Consumer” as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(4) shall be applicable to members of the individual’s household.

**202.1(6)** “Consumers served by a new institutional health service” means those consumers residing in the service area as determined by the department.

**202.1(7)** “Organized outpatient health facility” as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(20) shall include, but not be limited to, the following types of facilities:

*a.* Community mental health centers;

*b.* Comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation facilities (CORFs), certified by Medicare.

**202.1(8)** “Organ transplantation service” as the term applies to new or changed institutional health service in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “*m*”(3) means each type of organ transplant shall be considered separately.

**202.1(9)** “Permanent change in bed capacity” of an institutional health facility means a change which is intended to be effective for one year or more and which redistributes the beds among the categories listed in the definition of “Bed capacity.”

*a.* A conversion of a long-term acute care hospital or a rehabilitation hospital as defined by federal regulations to a general acute care hospital or to a different type of specialty hospital is a permanent change in bed capacity and requires a Certificate of Need.

*b.* A hospital which has deleted beds pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.63(2) “*g*” for the purpose of receiving designation as a critical access hospital may reestablish the deleted beds at a later time without obtaining a certificate of need, provided that the number of beds reestablished does not exceed the number of beds maintained prior to the deletion as reported on the bed reduction form.

**202.1(10)** “Private offices or clinics of individual physicians, dentists or other practitioners, or groups of practitioners, who are health care providers.” The meaning of this term as used in Iowa Code section 135.63(2) “*a*” shall be determined by looking at factors which include, but are not limited to:

*a.* The type of health care service delivered;

*b.* The control and supervision of medical judgment in the care of and treatment of patients;

*c.* The control and supervision of professional assistants, including nurses, physician assistants, and technicians; and

*d.* The ownership and maintenance of medical records of patients.

**202.1(11)** “Relocation of an institutional health facility,” as the term applies to new or changed institutional health service in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “*b*,” means the replacement of a facility located in one county with a facility located in another county.

**202.1(12)** “Value in excess of one million five hundred thousand dollars” as used in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “*g*,” “*h*,” “*i*” and “*j*” means the value of the equipment including any applicable sales tax, delivery charge and installation charge.

**202.1(13)** “Long-term (acute) care hospital,” for purposes of these rules, means a hospital that has been approved to participate in the Title XVIII (Medicare) program as a long-term care hospital-prospective payment system hospital (LTCH-PPS) in accordance with 42 CFR Part 412.

**202.1(14)** “Rehabilitation hospital,” for the purposes of these rules, means a hospital that has been approved to participate in the Title XVIII (Medicare) program as an inpatient rehabilitation facility-prospective payment system hospital (IRF-PPS) in accordance with 42 CFR Part 412.23(b), 412.25 or 412.29.

#### **641—202.2(135) Letter of intent.**

**202.2(1)** Before applying for a certificate of need, the sponsor of a proposed new institutional health service or changed institutional health service shall submit a letter of intent to the department. The letter of intent shall contain the following:

1. A brief description of the proposal;

2. Project’s location;

3. Its estimated cost (site costs, land improvements, facility costs, movable equipment and financing costs); and

4. An explanation of how the project will be financed.

**202.2(2)** The letter shall be submitted as soon as possible after the initiation of the applicant’s planning process and in any case not less than 30 calendar days before applying for a certificate of need and before substantial expenditures are made. This 30-day waiting period shall begin upon the department’s receipt of the applicant’s letter of intent.

**202.2(3)** The department shall make available to each applicant any and all criteria and standards which are pertinent to a particular application. This shall be done within 15 calendar days of receipt of a letter of intent or upon request.

**202.2(4)** A letter of intent received by the department shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of receipt by the department. The sponsor may renew the validity of a letter of intent by providing written notification to the department prior to the one-year expiration date.

**641—202.3(135) Preliminary review.**

**202.3(1)** Upon receipt of a written request from the sponsor of the proposal, the department shall make a preliminary review of the letter of intent for the purpose of:

- a.* Determining if a proposed project requires a certificate of need under Iowa Code sections 135.61 to 135.83; and
- b.* Informing the sponsor of the project of any factors which may appear likely to result in denial of a certificate of need based on the criteria for evaluation in Iowa Code section 135.64.

**202.3(2)** The health services listed in Iowa Code section 135.61(18) “*m*” shall be deemed to require a certificate of need for the initiation or expansion of these services.

**202.3(3)** The department shall provide to the sponsor written comment within 15 calendar days of receipt of such request for preliminary review. A written comment by the department is not binding on the council.

**641—202.4(135) Submission of application.**

**202.4(1)** Application form.

*a.* The statement of information required by the department for purposes of review shall be the information requested on the department’s application form. All information requested in the application form will be required in the absence of a written waiver by the department.

*b.* An original application and six copies thereof shall be sent to the Certificate of Need Program, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*c.* The department shall establish and maintain files on each application.

**202.4(2)** Application fee.

*a.* The application shall be accompanied by a fee equivalent to three-tenths of 1 percent of the anticipated cost of the project. There shall be a minimum fee of \$600 and a maximum fee of \$21,000.

*b.* The fee shall be based on the total cost of the project which shall include site costs, land improvements, facility costs, movable equipment and financing costs. Fee for leased or donated new institutional health services would be calculated in the same manner as if the new institutional health services were purchased. Financing costs shall not be applicable on leases or cash purchases.

*c.* The fee shall be remitted by check or money order made payable to the Treasurer, State of Iowa, and addressed to Iowa Department of Public Health—Certificate of Need, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

*d.* The application fee will be refunded by the department for any application which is voluntarily withdrawn from the review process in the following amounts:

- (1) If an application is voluntarily withdrawn within 30 calendar days after submission, 75 percent of the fee shall be refunded;
- (2) If an application is voluntarily withdrawn more than 30 but within 60 calendar days after submission, 50 percent of the fee shall be refunded;
- (3) If an application is withdrawn voluntarily more than 60 calendar days after submission, 25 percent of the application fee shall be refunded.

*e.* The department shall refund the proper amount within 30 calendar days of the applicant’s voluntary withdrawal.

*f.* An applicant for a new or changed institutional health service offered or developed by an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded or the mentally ill is exempt from payment of the application fee.

*g.* For purposes of this subrule and Iowa Code section 135.63(1), the term “submission” shall mean the day the application is received by the department.

**202.4(3)** Determination of completeness.

*a.* The department shall send written notice to the applicant within 15 business days of receipt of the application if the application has been accepted as complete or otherwise state in said notice what information is needed to make the application complete.

*b.* An application shall be deemed “accepted” once the department has determined it to be complete and the fees defined in 202.4(2) “*a*” are paid in full.

**202.4(4)** Promptly after an application is accepted, the department shall provide written notification to all affected persons defined in Iowa Code section 135.61(1) “*c*” and “*d*” which are identified in the department’s data banks or by the applicant, as provided in Iowa Code section 135.66(2). The department shall notify other affected persons by distribution of pertinent information to the news media. The notice shall identify deadlines for the submission of written materials as provided in 202.6(2).

**202.4(5)** Written analysis of application.

*a.* The department shall provide a written report evaluating the application against all applicable criteria specified in Iowa Code section 135.64.

*b.* All reports shall be mailed to council members and applicant at least ten calendar days prior to the health facilities’ council meeting at which the application is to be heard.

**641—202.5(135) Organizational procedures.**

**202.5(1)** The presence of four members of the council shall constitute a quorum.

**202.5(2)** The chairperson and all other council members present shall cast votes or abstain, as the case may be, on all council action. No proxy votes shall be allowed.

**202.5(3)** A vote of a majority of those present shall be necessary to take action on any motion before the council. A tie vote shall mean no action on the motion.

**202.5(4)** The council shall, at the July meeting of each odd-numbered year, elect a vice-chairperson, who shall perform the duties of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson, when the chairperson has a conflict of interest or when the chairperson so directs.

**202.5(5)** A council member shall refrain from participating in an application review process if the member:

- a.* Has a personal bias or prejudice concerning the applicant;
- b.* Has acted as counsel to the applicant or a competitor of the applicant in the same or adjoining county within the past two years;
- c.* Has a financial interest in the outcome of the application process or any other significant personal interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the case;
- d.* Has a spouse or relative within the third degree of relationship that (1) is affiliated with or represents the applicant or a competitor of the applicant in the same or adjoining county; (2) has a known financial or significant personal interest which could be substantially affected by the outcome of the application process; or (3) is likely to testify on behalf of the applicant or an affected person at public hearing; or
- e.* Has any other legally sufficient cause to refrain from participating in the application review process.

**641—202.6(135) Public hearing on application.** Public hearings conducted pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.66(3) “*b*” are not contested cases. Judicial review pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.19 of final agency decisions under Iowa Code section 135.69 shall be treated as other agency action.

**202.6(1)** The council shall use the following meeting format:

- a.* Announcement of application under review.
- b.* Presentation of department report.
- c.* Applicant presentation.
- d.* Affected persons’ presentation.
- e.* Applicant’s rebuttal.
- f.* Council discussion, motion and final decision.

**202.6(2)** The notice of an accepted application issued pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.66(2) shall inform the applicant and affected persons of the deadlines for the submission to the department of

written statements or other materials. Written submissions received by the department after the deadlines established in this notice shall not be considered by the department or the council unless submitted at the public hearing solely to support oral testimony or upon a showing of good cause. Applicants and affected persons shall submit six copies of all written materials.

**202.6(3)** The applicant, affected persons, or their designated representatives shall be given the opportunity to make oral presentations to the council. Other interested persons may be given the opportunity to make oral presentations to the council.

**202.6(4)** Oral testimony that simply duplicates material received in writing will not be heard. The applicant and affected persons shall present only one witness for each issue raised unless permission is requested and granted by the chairperson.

**202.6(5)** All questions to an applicant or affected person presenting oral testimony shall be directed from the council or council staff unless permission is requested and granted by the chairperson. Persons making oral presentations to the council are not expected to be placed under oath.

**202.6(6)** The council may designate technical consultants or experts to assist in its activities as defined by the council.

**641—202.7(135) Summary review.** Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.67, an applicant requesting a summary review shall abide by the following procedures:

**202.7(1)** If an applicant desires to request a summary review of its application for a certificate of need, it shall submit a written request for summary review, an original application and six copies thereof to the Certificate of Need Program, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. The applicant is not required to submit a letter of intent pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.65 prior to submitting a written request for a summary review.

**202.7(2)** The eligibility of an application for summary review pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.67 shall not mandate or require such review. The decision as to whether an application will be reviewed in the summary review process is the department's.

**202.7(3)** Upon receipt of a written request for summary review, an application, and the fee required by 202.3(2) "a," the department shall notify the applicant in writing within 15 calendar days if the application is complete and if a summary review will be granted.

**202.7(4)** If an application is deemed incomplete, the department shall state specifically in writing what information is needed to make the application complete.

**202.7(5)** If the department notifies the applicant that a summary review will not be performed, this decision is binding on the applicant and the application will be entered into the formal review process on the date of written notice that such application will not be reviewed summarily.

**202.7(6)** A summary review of an application for a certificate of need shall be completed within 60 calendar days of the acceptance of an application by the department.

**202.7(7)** At any time during the summary review process, an application may be withdrawn without prejudice from the process. The applicant may then submit the application for a formal 90-day review.

**641—202.8(135) Extension of review time.**

**202.8(1)** A formal review of an application for a certificate of need pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.66 may be extended by the department on the basis of any of the following criteria:

- a. In order to review competing applications simultaneously;
- b. In the case of technologically innovative equipment, to obtain additional information necessary to evaluate the proposal. The department shall specify in writing such additional information as necessary;
- c. At the request of the applicant;
- d. At the request of at least two members of the state health facilities council in order to allow additional time for deliberation on all evidence present. The council shall specify the time of the delay and the date on which the final decision will be rendered.

**202.8(2)** An extension by the department made pursuant to subrule 202.8(1) shall in no case be more than 60 calendar days beyond the time a decision is required under Iowa Code section 135.69 unless the applicant and department agree.

**202.8(3)** Where none of the provisions of 202.8(1) are applicable and where an application will be automatically denied because of the expiration of time required by Iowa Code section 135.69 for the issuance of a written decision by the council, the department shall notify the applicant of the likelihood of an automatic denial and shall ask the applicant to request in writing an extension of the review time. Where an extension is so requested, the application shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the council or at any time agreeable to the applicant and the department.

**641—202.9(135) Rehearing of certificate of need decision.**

**202.9(1)** The applicant or any affected person who has participated or sought unsuccessfully to participate in the formal review procedure prescribed in Iowa Code section 135.66 may, for good cause shown, file an application for rehearing in writing with the department stating the specific grounds therefor and the relief sought, within 20 calendar days after the date of the issuance of the final decision on an application for certificate of need.

**202.9(2)** Grounds for rehearing include, but are not limited to:

- a. New significant, relevant information which was unavailable at the date of the hearing;
- b. Significant changes in factors or circumstances relied upon by the council in reaching its decision;
- c. Demonstration that the council has materially failed to follow its adopted procedures in reaching its decision; or
- d. Such other bases as the council determines constitute good cause.

**202.9(3)** An application for rehearing shall be deemed to have been denied unless the council grants the application in writing within 20 calendar days after its filing.

**202.9(4)** If the application for rehearing is granted, the council may issue an order modifying the initial final order, or may set the matter for consideration at a subsequent meeting date. If public hearing is granted on the application for rehearing, notice shall be provided ten calendar days prior to hearing to the person applying for rehearing, the applicant and other affected persons upon request pursuant to 202.10(135).

**202.9(5)** The council shall issue the final decision on rehearing, stating the basis for its decision, within 30 calendar days after the application for rehearing was granted or 30 calendar days after public hearing on rehearing, whichever is later.

**202.9(6)** If a rehearing is not requested or an affected party remains dissatisfied after the request for rehearing, an appeal may be taken in the manner provided by Iowa Code chapter 17A. A request for rehearing is not required prior to appeal under Iowa Code section 17A.19.

**641—202.10(135) Status reports to affected persons.** Affected persons are entitled to status reports from the department while a formal application review is in progress pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.68. The department shall maintain a log of all requests for written status reports by affected persons. Affected persons who request written status reports must submit their name and address in a written request (by letter, fax, or E-mail) to the department, identifying the specific information requested, which may include notification of the council's final decision, any application for rehearing, or the filing of a petition for judicial review. The formal process does not preclude informal contacts with department staff for verbal status reports. Copies of the council's final decision, an application for rehearing, a petition for judicial review, or any other public record will be provided upon request and payment of the department's per page fee for copies as described in 641 IAC 175.3(7).

**641—202.11(135) Finality.** The certificate of need application process is continuous beginning with submission of a letter of intent or request for waiver of a letter of intent through issuance of a final decision by the council subject to judicial review under Iowa Code chapter 17A.



**202.11(1)** The following stages of the process are intermediate and subject to judicial review only to the extent they meet criteria for intermediate review under Iowa Code section 17A.19.

- a. A response from the department to a request for preliminary review pursuant to 202.3(135);
- b. A decision by the department to waive submission of the letter of intent and substitute summary review; and
- c. The rejection of an application by the department which fails to provide all information required under Iowa Code section 135.63, subsection 1.

**202.11(2)** The following stages of the process are final decisions subject to judicial review as final agency action under Iowa Code section 17A.19:

- a. A decision by the department to disallow summary review;
- b. A decision by the council to approve or deny an application; and
- c. The council's final ruling on an application for rehearing.

**641—202.12(135) Project progress reports.** The department shall maintain an effective follow-up program to ensure that applicants make timely progress on each approved application.

**202.12(1)** Progress reports of all approved projects shall be submitted to the department six months after approval.

**202.12(2)** Progress reports shall fully identify the project and indicate the current status of the project in descriptive terms. The reports shall also reflect an amended project schedule if necessary.

**641—202.13(135) Request for extension of certificate.**

**202.13(1)** Requests for extension of a certificate of need must be filed in letter form to the department from the applicant no later than 45 days prior to the expiration of the certification.

**202.13(2)** Request for extension shall fully identify the project and indicate the current status of the project in descriptive terms.

**202.13(3)** The department shall use the news media to notify the public and affected parties of the council meeting agenda, including extension requests. The news media shall be notified at least ten days before the council meeting.

Any affected persons shall have the right to submit to the department in writing, or orally at the council meeting at which the extension request is considered, information which may be relevant to the question of granting an extension.

**202.13(4)** When an extension has been requested, the council shall approve or deny the request at a meeting of the council preceding the expiration of the certification. The certificate of need may be revoked by the council at the end of the certification period for insufficient progress in developing the project.

**202.13(5)** If the extension is denied, the applicant shall have the right to appeal under the provisions of Iowa Code section 135.70.

**641—202.14(135) Application changes after approval.**

**202.14(1)** Once a project has been approved by the council, no changes that vary from or alter the number of approved beds, the approved services or the approved cost by an amount indicated in 202.14(2) shall be made unless requested by the applicant and approved by the council. Requests shall be made in writing and filed with the department.

**202.14(2)** An increase in the actual cost of the project over and above that originally approved shall automatically generate a rereview by the council if the increase exceeds the originally approved amount by:

- a. Fifteen percent for projects up to \$999,999.99;
- b. Twelve percent for projects from \$1,000,000.00 to \$4,999,999.99;
- c. Eight percent for projects \$5,000,000.00 and over.

An increase in the approved cost that falls below the above percentages shall be reported to the department.

**202.14(3)** Failure to notify and receive permission of the council to change the project as originally approved may result in the imposition of sanctions provided in Iowa Code section 135.73. The council may make a recommendation to the department regarding the imposition of a sanction and the amount of the fine to be imposed.

**641—202.15(135) Sanctions.** Hearings to determine class I or class II violations pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.73 shall be conducted in accordance with the department's procedural rules for contested cases found at 641 IAC 173.

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CHAPTER 203  
STANDARDS FOR CERTIFICATE OF NEED REVIEW  
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**641—203.1(135) Acute care bed need.**

**203.1(1) Purpose and scope.**

a. The methodology described in this section provides the basis for estimating the anticipated number of patient-days of acute care hospital service that Iowa citizens will need in the future. The methodology embodies predictive indicators of acute care usage, population and demographic adjustments, and “target” usage rates. The “target” rates express the intent to reduce the levels of acute care usage in areas of the state where that usage is excessive, and not otherwise attributable to the presence of high-usage population groups.

b. The number of acute care beds which will be needed by each of the state’s hospitals in the future is a function of the number of patient-days of acute care that will be needed by Iowa citizens, with allowance for the needs of specific population groups and for the travel distance to and location of the state’s hospitals.

c. Certificate of need project applications are to be evaluated against the projected bed need determination for those hospitals seeking permission to:

1. Construct new acute care beds;
2. Modernize or renovate acute care beds/patient nursing units;
3. Convert acute care beds from one service use to another;
4. Add to the square footage space of the hospital, where it might be architecturally feasible and cost-effective to convert excess bed space.

d. The methodology responds to the following criteria for evaluation of certificate of need applications:

1. The need of the population for the health services;
2. Availability of alternative, less costly or more effective methods of providing the proposed services;
3. Relationships of the proposed service to the existing health care system of the area;
4. Consideration of the capacity to provide services and consideration of alternatives such as sharing or cooperating arrangements;
5. Other existing facilities providing similar services to those proposed are being used in an appropriate and efficient manner.

**203.1(2) Definitions.**

a. “*Estimated patient-day use rate*” means the number of days of hospital care provided per year, per thousand residents of a county (or the state). The rate is calculated by adding together all of the patient-days per year for residents of a county (or state), obtained from the records of hospitals where those residents received services. The total patient-days is then divided by the number of residents in the county (or the state), and the answer is expressed as “X patient-days per 1,000 persons.” A patient-day use rate can be calculated for any specific age group by identifying the number of patient-days of use by residents in that age group and dividing by the number of residents in that age group.

b. “*Target use rate*” for a county means the patient-day use rate that establishes a projected need level for the county at a future point in time. A target use rate can be determined for a specific age group, using the method described above. In this methodology, target use rates will be determined for four age groups: 0-14, 15-44, 45-64, and 65 and older. Therefore, each county will have four target use rates. For each county, the target use rate for each age group shall be the lowest of (1) the estimated patient-day use rate for the county during the survey period or (2) the state average estimated patient-day use rate during the survey period. The rates in effect at the time that an application is declared complete by the state are the rates employed in reviewing that application.

c. “*Patient destination patterns*” means the distribution, by hospital, of the total patient-days of each county. The patterns show where patients were referred for hospital service.

d. “*Patient destination proportion*” means the percentage of a given county’s patient-days that occurred in any given hospital.

e. “*Target occupancy rate*” means the desired average annual percent of a given hospital’s usable beds that will be occupied. An occupancy rate is determined by dividing a hospital’s average daily census (ADC) of patients by the facility’s number of usable beds. A “target” occupancy establishes desired levels of efficiency.

f. “*Acute care beds*” means short-stay hospital beds including general medical/surgical, pediatric, obstetric, psychiatric and other short-stay specialized beds.

**203.1(3) Data requirements.**

a. Patient destination patterns, patient destination proportions, and the patient-use of acute care services shall be determined from the most recent statewide patient origin and destination study. Such a study shall be conducted at intervals not to exceed three years and shall be the responsibility of the department of public health. The initial study conducted in 1977 produced target utilization rates. Those target rates produced by subsequent studies shall be reviewed as to their continued appropriateness at the time each three-year study is analyzed. If better data is submitted in the interim between studies such shall be considered in readjusting the target use rates. As revised target use rates are determined by study, the Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC) shall review the new target use rates to determine their appropriateness. All Iowa hospitals shall participate in the survey and shall cooperate with the department in providing the most accurate information available. Out-of-state hospitals will also be surveyed in order to obtain information on Iowa residents receiving hospital care out of the state.

b. Population estimates and projections shall be obtained from the most recent Official Iowa Population Projections, published by the department of economic development. The projecting horizon used in this methodology shall be ten years in the future. Using the year of the most recent patient origin and destination study as “year one,” projected patient-day use rates will be applied to the projected populations in “year ten” (example: from the information in the 1977 patient origin and destination study, projections will be made for 1987).

c. Data pertaining to bed capacity and annual patient-days shall be obtained from the most recent Annual Report for Hospital and Related Health Facilities submitted by hospitals to the department of public health.

**203.1(4) Methodology.**

a. Annual “estimated patient-day use rate” by county:

(1) Annually adjust the patient-day information obtained from the one month patient origin and destination study by multiplying the patient-days of each hospital by the ratio of annual patient-days (obtained from the Annual Report) to sample month patient-days (obtained from the patient origin and destination study).

(2) To determine estimated annual county patient-days for each of the age groups (0-14, 15-44, 45-64 and 65 and older) for any given county do the following: first, annually adjust all patient-days identified in the one month survey as described in (1) above; second, for each hospital identify the residence of origin of their annually adjusted patient-days by each specific county; third, for each county identify the annually adjusted patient-days for that county’s residents from all of those hospitals which served the residents of the county during the patient origin study period. Follow the same procedure for each age group.

(3) To determine the county patient-day use rate for each age group divide the number of patient-days for that age group (identified in (2) above) by the population of the county in that age group. Express the results as “X number of patient-days per 1,000 residents in Y age group.”

b. Annual “estimated patient-day use rate” by state. For each age group add together the estimated annual county patient-day for that age group in all counties and divide by the state population in that age group.

c. To determine target use rates—each county will have four target use rates; one for each of the age groups 0-14, 15-44, 45-64, and 65 and older. The target use rate for any age group for a county will be the lowest of:

(1) Estimated annual patient-day use rate for the age group in that county;

(2) Estimated annual patient-day use rate for the age group in the state.

*d.* To determine projected patient-days for a county—multiply the target rate for each age group by the projected county population in that age group for the year ten years after the most recent patient origin survey (counting the survey year as “year one”).

*e.* To determine facility projected patient-days—for each of the four age groups divide up the projected patient-days for each county among the hospitals that served the county during the patient origin study period. The distribution of any county’s projected patient-days (in each age group) will be made in accordance with the percentage distribution of patient-days (in each age group) among the various hospitals in the study period. The percentage distribution number for any given hospital of the patient-days of any given county is called the “patient destination proportion.” Add together all of the projected patient-days in each of the four age groups going to each hospital from all of the counties served by that hospital.

*f.* To determine a facility’s projected patient-days for out-of-state residents—first, determine the in-state and out-of-state percentage of patient-days identified for each facility during the patient origin survey period; next divide a given facility’s in-state percentage into its number of projected patient-days in the patient origin survey. The projected patient-days for facility A from Iowa counties is 2,000. To expand the patient-days to allow for the anticipated out-of-state patients divide 2,000 by .90 to get 2,222. (Ninety percent of 2,222 would be 2,000 and 222 would allow for the 10 percent out-of-state patients expected to use the hospital in the future projection.)

*g.* To determine facility projected bed need—divide the projected patient-days for the facility by 365 days to estimate the projected average daily census of patients. The average daily census for the facility will determine the facility’s projected bed need when allowance is made for a margin of unoccupied beds. The margin of unoccupied beds provides for the fluctuations in average-to-peak service periods. The smaller hospitals have a greater margin allowed in order to accommodate the necessary emergency and primary care functions that account for the majority of their patients. The following scale incorporates the margin and provides the link between the projected average daily census for a facility and the projected bed need.

If Average Daily Census (ADC) is:		Presumed Occupancy Rate:
1-30	$BN = 1.670 \times ADC$	60%
31-70	$BN = 50 + 1.250 \times (ADC - 30)$	61-70%
71-160	$BN = 100 + 1.111 \times (ADC - 70)$	71-80%
161-249	$BN = 200 + 1.124 \times (ADC - 60)$	81-83%
250 or more	$BN = 1.205 \times ADC$	83%

Specific exception—University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics serve a unique role as a nearly exclusively tertiary facility with many specialized units. Its occupancy rate should allow for greater peak load fluctuation and therefore will have an occupancy rate of 80%.

**203.1(5) Contingencies.**

*a.* Patient-days for hospitals that close in the interim between revisions of the patient origin and destination study will be divided among other hospitals serving the same counties as the hospital that closed. The projected patient-days will be divided according to the percentage of the county’s patient-days going to each of the other hospitals serving that county. (Example: County A has a projected 1,000 patient-days divided among three hospitals—

Facility X = 60% of the patient-days = 600 patient-days

Facility Y = 20% of the patient-days = 200 patient-days

Facility Z = 20% of the patient-days = 200 patient-days

If Facility Z closes, the 200 patient-days would be distributed to Facilities X and Y according to the following ratios:

Facility X = 600/800

$600/800 \times 200 = 150$  patient-days

Facility Y = 200/800

$200/800 \times 200 = 50$  patient-days

Facilities X and Y will then have projected patient-days of 750 and 250 respectively.)

*b.* Joint planning in multiple-hospital communities is encouraged and any alternative distribution plan for the aggregate community bed need in those communities may be presented by the hospitals affected. So long as the total community bed need does not exceed the sum of the individual facility needs for the community and so long as all of the hospitals in the community agree to the alternative distribution plan, the plan will replace the distribution pattern determined by this methodology.

#### **641—203.2(135) Cardiac catheterization and cardiovascular surgery standards.**

##### **203.2(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria found in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “a” to “q,” and 135.64(3). Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

*b.* Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these cardiac catheterization and cardiovascular surgery standards include:

- (1) Proposals to commence or expand capacity to perform cardiac catheterization.
- (2) Proposals to add new or replace cardiovascular surgery services.
- (3) Any other applications which relate to cardiac catheterization or cardiovascular surgery.

##### **203.2(2) Definitions.**

*a.* Adult cardiac catheterization laboratory—a diagnostic facility exclusively for intracardiac or coronary artery catheterization on adults.

*b.* Pediatric cardiac catheterization laboratory—the same as adult cardiac catheterization laboratory, except exclusively for children and infants.

*c.* Cardiac catheterization—

(1) Intracardiac—a diagnostic study of the heart, and pulmonary arteries, or both, in which a small catheter passes through a vein or artery in the neck, leg or arm and advances into the great vessels, the heart or the pulmonary arteries. Through this procedure one can measure pressure within the heart and in adjacent veins and arteries, collect blood samples for blood gas analysis and inject radiopaque material, visualize cardiac and vessel anatomy. The procedure permits detection of congenital and acquired heart abnormalities, the study of ventricular function, the estimation of the orifice size, the placement of pacemakers, etc. Cardiac catheterization is incomplete without cineangiography, intracardiac pressure measurements, blood gas analysis and the ability to diagnose intracardiac shunts.

(2) Coronary artery catheterization—a diagnostic study of the coronary arteries, in which a small catheter passes through an artery in the leg, neck or arm into a coronary artery orifice. Intravascular pressure measurements are taken, and angiography of the coronary arteries is performed. Catheterization and cineangiography of the left ventricle are an integral part of this procedure.

*d.* Angiography.

The photographic recording of X-ray or radiologic images of blood vessels, in any part of the body—the heart, the head, the great vessels, the kidney, etc. In the procedure blood vessels are injected with a radiopaque chemical. Immediately following injection, X-rays are employed to image the path of the injected chemical. These X-ray images are then photographically recorded.

Angiocardiography.

The recording of moving X-ray images (fluoroscopic images) of the heart and great vessels. After injection of radiopaque chemicals, moving X-rays of the chemical’s flow are projected on a screen called a fluoroscope. Moving pictures (cineangiography) or still pictures in sequence (serialography) may be recorded of the X-ray image.

*e.* Adult cardiovascular surgery—cardiovascular surgery exclusively for adults.

*f.* Pediatric cardiovascular surgery—cardiovascular surgery exclusively for infants and children.

g. Cardiovascular surgery—the services associated with and surgery performed for congenital or acquired diseases of the heart, great vessels, or pericardium, including the placement of travenous and epicardial pacemakers.

(1) Open heart surgery—cardiovascular surgery in which an incision of sufficient size is made to allow direct vision of the area. Open heart surgery requires temporary use of a heart-lung (cardiopulmonary bypass) machine, as blood flow through the heart is greatly reduced or stopped altogether.

(2) Coronary artery surgery—surgery to correct inadequate blood flow to the heart through using revascularization techniques to bypass significantly obstructed coronary artery lesions.

h. Closed heart surgery—cardiovascular surgery in which a small incision and repairs are made without direct vision of the area.

**203.2(3) Availability of services.**

a. Minimum utilization—cardiovascular surgery (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “c,” “g,” “h”).

(1) Adult cardiovascular surgical programs should project an annual minimum rate of over 200, or no approval shall be granted. Higher case loads over 200 per annum, are encouraged.

(2) Pediatric cardiovascular surgical units should project a minimum of 100 pediatric heart operations after the first year, at least 75 of which must be open heart procedures.

(3) Combined adult/pediatric cardiovascular surgery units should project the minimum projected annual rates for both adult and pediatric surgery, or no approval shall be granted.

(4) Applicants should project utilization of cardiovascular surgery, catheterization and cardiac care units based upon service area population demographics, current regional or national utilization rates of the service, disease incidence and prevalence rates, current cardiac care treatment modes, and in consideration those adult cardiovascular surgery units currently operating in Iowa, and bordering states within two hours surface travel time, if the applicant proposes an adult unit; and in consideration of pediatric cardiovascular surgery units currently operating in Iowa and bordering states within three hours surface travel time, if the applicant’s proposed unit is pediatric. If a combined unit is proposed both the two- and three-hour considerations for existing adult and pediatric units apply. The assumptions, data and methodology used to arrive at projections shall be provided in each application.

b. Expansions—cardiovascular surgery (sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”).

(1) There should be no additional adult cardiovascular surgery units initiated unless each existing unit within two hours surface travel time is operating at a minimum of 350 open heart surgery cases per year.

(2) There should be no additional pediatric cardiovascular surgery units initiated, unless each existing unit within three hours surface travel time is operating at 130 surgeries per year. (If one team serves more than one institution the numbers for those institutions should be combined.)

(3) No additional cardiovascular surgery units should be approved which will reduce the volume of existing services below 350 procedures annually for adults and 130 annually, 75 of which are open heart, for pediatric units. The applicant will demonstrate that an attempt was made to determine with the cooperation of existing providers whether such a reduction would occur. Existing providers of consequence are within two hours surface travel time for adult services and within three for pediatric services.

(4) Adult cardiovascular surgical service units should be granted only to institutions which can demonstrate an unserved population base of 500,000 persons. An unserved area is one which lies outside of an existing unit’s service area.

(5) Pediatric cardiovascular surgical services should be granted unto institutions which can demonstrate an unserved population base of 2.5 million with 30,000 live births per year.

c. Minimum utilization—cardiac catheterization (sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “g,” “h”).

(1) Adult cardiac catheterization laboratories should be projected to operate at a minimum of 300 catheterizations per annum.

(2) Pediatric catheterization laboratory units should project a minimum of 150 catheterizations annually.

(3) Combined units should meet each of the adult and pediatric standards.

(4) Applicant should project utilization of cardiac catheterization units based upon service area population demographics, current regional or national utilization rates of the service, disease incidence and prevalence rates, current cardiac care treatment modes, and in consideration those adult cardiovascular surgery units currently operating in Iowa, and bordering states within two hours surface travel time if the proposed unit is for adults; and in consideration of pediatric cardiovascular surgery units currently operating in Iowa, and bordering states within three hours surface travel time if the proposed unit is for children. If a combined unit is proposed both time considerations shall apply. The assumptions, data and methodology used to arrive at projections shall be provided in the application.

*d. Expansions—cardiac catheterizations (sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”).*

(1) There should be no additional adult cardiac catheterization unit opened unless the number of studies per year in each existing unit within two hours surface travel time is greater than 500. No additional pediatric unit should be opened unless the number of studies per year in each existing unit within three hours surface travel time is greater than 250.

(2) There should be no additional cardiac catheterization units initiated which would reduce the volume of existing units below 500 adult catheterizations, 200 of which are intracardiac or coronary artery catheterizations, or 150 pediatric catheterizations, or both for combined units. The applicant must attempt and demonstrate that an attempt was made to determine with the cooperation of existing providers whether such a reduction would occur. Existing providers of consequence are those within two hours surface travel time for adults or three hours for pediatrics.

*e. There should be no new cardiac catheterization unit open in any facility not performing open heart surgery (sections 135.64(1) “e,” “g,” “h,” “k”).*

**203.2(4) Costs.**

*a. Financial feasibility.* (Sections 135.64(1) “f,” “i,” “p”) Cardiovascular surgery and catheterization equipment, and associated remodeling or construction should be depreciated over a period consistent with American Hospital Association schedules as limited by existing reimbursement payors.

*b. Cost-effectiveness.* Proposed new or replacement cardiac catheterization laboratories cost per catheterization and cardiovascular surgery services estimated costs per surgery should when compared to their peers demonstrate cost-effectiveness.

**203.2(5) Accessibility.** (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d”)

*a. Cardiovascular surgery units and cardiac catheterization labs should be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for emergency coverage.*

*b. Facilities with cardiovascular surgery/cardiac catheterization should have available 24-hour, seven days a week ambulance and emergency room service.*

*c. Travel distance should be within two hours surface travel time or less for 80 percent of the projected service area for pediatric services.*

*d. Cardiac catheterization and cardiovascular surgery service should be provided regardless of ability to pay, in consideration of those programs available in the state which serve the medically indigent.*

**203.2(6) Quality.** (Sections 135.64(1) “i,” “k”)

*a. Each surgery unit and cardiac catheterization lab shall demonstrate a reasonable set of criteria that are used in selecting appropriate candidates for surgery and catheterization.*

*b. Staffing minimums.*

(1) The open heart surgery team should minimally consist of:

1. At least two certified or board eligible cardiovascular surgeons for the first 75 to 130 pediatric open heart surgeries. If pediatric surgery is performed, one surgeon must have special training and experience in surgery for congenital cardiac defects.

2. A board certified or board eligible adult or pediatric cardiologist(s). The latter only if pediatric surgery is performed, the former only if adult surgery is performed.

3. Board certified or board eligible anesthesiologist with special training in the management of cardiovascular cases' respiratory care.

4. Radiologist trained in the cardiovascular field.

5. Pathologist familiar with cardiac problems.



6. Specially trained in heart disease surgical nursing staff.
  7. Cardiopulmonary bypass pump technicians.
  8. Other ancillary staff as needed.
- (2) Each applicant shall document that the proposed surgery unit can be so staffed when completed and operational.
- c.* Equipment and facilities. The applicant seeking to provide cardiovascular surgery should demonstrate that the following support services will be available:
- (1) General X-ray diagnostic facilities and facilities for emergency X-rays on a 24-hour basis.
  - (2) A cardiac catheterization laboratory or angiography lab available on a 24-hour basis.
  - (3) A cardiographics laboratory, with facilities for recording the following tests: EKG, vector cardiogram, phonocardiogram, echocardiogram, and exercise stress testing.
  - (4) A supporting blood bank and hematology laboratory.
  - (5) A microbiology laboratory.
- d.* Cardiac catheterization labs serving infants and children should have biplane angiographic equipment, either cineangiographic or cut film. Pediatric cardiac catheterization labs should be supervised by board certified or board eligible pediatric cardiologists; adult cardiac catheterization labs should be supervised by a board certified or board eligible adult cardiologist.

**203.2(7) Continuity.** (Sections 135.64(1) “g,” “h,” “i,” “k”)

- a.* The applicant should demonstrate that an attempt was made to solicit letters and to establish referral agreements from area hospitals and physicians to indicate a willingness to participate in a cooperative endeavor to refer to the proposed service.
- b.* The applicant should provide documentation that emergency medical transport services will be available.
- c.* Institutions providing cardiovascular surgery services should include mechanisms for comprehensive medical followup including adequate medical records exchange.

**203.2(8) Acceptability.** (Section 135.64(1) “c”) Facilities with cardiovascular surgery and cardiac catheterization indicate a willingness to observe and respect the rights of patients as stated in the Patients Bill of Rights adopted by the American Hospital Association February 6, 1973, and reprinted in 1975.

**641—203.3(135) Radiation therapy or radiotherapy standards.**

**203.3(1) Purpose and scope.**

- a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria 1 (a to q) and 3 found in Iowa Code section 135.64. Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.
- b.* Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these radiation therapy standards include:
- (1) Proposals to commence or expand the kind or capacity of megavoltage radiation therapy services.
  - (2) Proposals to replace a radiation therapy unit.
  - (3) Any other applications which relate to radiation therapy.

**203.3(2) Definitions.**

*a. Radiation modality.* The method of applying ionizing radiation in the treatment of patients with malignant disease. Externally applied modes.

*Superficial X-ray therapy.* The use of a conventional X-ray machine, which generates X-rays of up to 150 kilovolts (150 kv), to treat superficial lesions, such as skin cancer.

*Orthovoltage X-ray therapy.* The use of a conventional X-ray machine which generates X-rays between 150 kv up to and including 800 kvs. (These X-rays are of insufficient energy to avoid preferential bone absorption or to be “skin sparing”.)

*Megavoltage therapy.* The use of ionizing radiation in excess of one million electron volts. Energies above one million electron volts cause considerably less skin damage, increase depth dose markedly, and result in much less scatter from the therapeutic beam. Megavoltage machines are classified as follows:

1. Particle accelerators. These machines use a supply of electrons, which are accelerated into high energy beams. These beams are either caused to strike a target resulting in high energy X-ray production, or are used themselves as the treatment beam. Particle accelerators generate from 4 million up to as many as 45 million electron volts. Most common particle accelerators are the linear accelerator and the betatron.

2. Isotope sources (gamma ray teletherapy units).

Cobalt 60 units—emit gamma rays of approximately 1.2 million electron volts.

Cesium teletherapy units—utilize gamma rays of approximately 650 kv.

*b. Megavoltage therapy unit.* A piece of megavoltage therapeutic radiologic equipment.

*c. Radiation therapy facility.* A piece of megavoltage therapeutic radiologic equipment, the accompanying support equipment, and the physical space which houses the equipment.

*d. Treatment (procedure).* All those radiation fields applied in a single patient visit. Interstitial/intracavitary treatment counts as one visit.

*e. Dosimetrist.* A technologist who calculates, verifies, and develops maps for the dose distribution of radiation within the patient. The technologist is an essential member of the treatment planning team.

*f. Radiation therapist (radiation oncologist).* A physician who is board certified or board eligible in therapeutic radiology or in general radiology and who devotes full time to the practice of radiation therapy.

*g. Radiation therapy technologist.* An individual registered or eligible for registration by the American Board of Radiologic Technologists, or its equivalent, in radiation therapy.

*h. Transverse tomograms.* A special diagnostic X-ray procedure to determine the depth of the tumors inside the body.

*i. Conjoint radiation oncology center (cancer center).* A multi-institution, multidisciplinary network to provide radiation therapy for cancer patients. Each institution has an equal voice in decision making and direction of the work of the center. Integration of patient care management, common utilization of personnel and equipment, and a single system of records between center institutions assures optimal care regardless of entry portal. A common cancer registry of all patients treated by center hospitals is maintained.

*j. Simulator.* Used to reproduce the geometry of the external beam treatment technique, and consists of an isocentrally mounted X-ray source with X-rays passing per a collimation system to reproduce the therapy beam.

*k. New patient.* A patient receiving treatment for the first time at a given radiation therapy facility.

**203.3(3) Availability.**

*a. Minimum utilization.* (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “g,” “h”)

(1) A megavoltage radiation therapy unit which is of relatively low energy, including small linear accelerators (4-10 MEVs), cobalt units and cesium teletherapy units, should serve a population of at least 200,000 persons, and treat at least 300 new patients annually within three years after initiation of the service.

(2) A megavoltage radiation therapy unit which is of medium energy, including linear accelerators of 12-20 MEVs should only be placed in facilities which are currently treating with megavoltage radiation therapy a minimum of 500 new patients annually.

(3) A megavoltage radiation therapy unit which is of high energy, including those linear accelerators of greater than 20 MEVs, should only be placed in facilities which are currently treating at least 750 new patients annually with megavoltage radiation therapy.

(4) To determine the number of new patients needing megavoltage radiation therapy annually in a service area, the following formula shall be applied:

Multiply the service area population times .00304 (3.04/1,000 population was the mean cancer incidence rate in 1976 in Iowa as filed by the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results Program—SEER). A service area population is determined by each facility’s catchment area as reported in the most recent patient origin study of the Iowa department of public health.

Multiply this product times .5 (50 percent of all new cancer patients require radiation therapy).

(5) Institutions which form a conjoint oncology center should have at least 500 new patients annually who are amenable to megavoltage therapy.

*b. Expansions.* (Sections 135.64(1)“c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

(1) There should be no additional megavoltage units of comparable size approved unless each existing megavoltage unit of that size within 90 minutes travel time of the proposed unit is performing at least 6,000 treatments per annum.

(2) Proposed new small megavoltage units within 90 minutes travel time of other small units must identify an unserved population base of 200,000 apart from that 200,000 currently served by institutions in the service area.

(3) Megavoltage treatments per annum should be projected by multiplying the number of projected new patients needing megavoltage therapy times 20.

(4) There should be no additional megavoltage radiation therapy units of comparable size within 90 minutes surface travel time of existing units which would reduce the projected volume of treatments per annum in existing units of comparable size to less than 6,000 treatments per annum and which would result in less than 300 projected new patients per annum for that existing unit. The applicant will attempt and demonstrate that an attempt was made to determine with the cooperation of existing providers whether such a reduction would occur.

(5) New conjoint centers should be justified if more than 3,000 new patients are currently being treated by radiation therapy in an existing center.

*c.* A simulator which can accurately reproduce the geometry of each external beam technique should be available for every two megavoltage units in a radiation oncology department.

**203.3(4) Costs.**

*a. Financial feasibility.* (Sections 135.64(1)“f,” “i,” “p”)

(1) Megavoltage radiation therapy units should be depreciated over a period no shorter than that indicated by “Estimated Useful Lives of Depreciable Hospital Assets” published by the American Hospital Association. Associated remodeling should be depreciated according to generally accepted accounting principles and over a period no shorter than indicated in the above-named publication.

(2) Recognizing anticipated volume rate structure, and third party reimbursement, the applicant should present a breakeven analysis for the service. If the analysis shows breakeven will fail to occur after three years of the service’s initiation, the applicant should demonstrate why operating a service with the revenues below costs appears desirable.

(3) Charges will be based on actual or projected yearly treatments, but not less than 6,000 treatments.

*b. Cost-effectiveness.* (Section 135.64(1)“e”) Costs per unit of service should not exceed 10 percent of the state average unit cost for the service. If costs exceed 10 percent of that average the applicant shall demonstrate how the proposal represents the most cost-effective way to deliver the service and explain why the project was chosen instead of alternative ways of meeting the need for the service.

**203.3(5) Accessibility.** (Sections 135.64(1)“c,” “d”)

*a.* Travel distance shall be within 90 minutes auto travel time for the projected service area population.

*b.* Radiation therapy services should be provided regardless of ability to pay, in consideration of those programs available in the state which serve the medically indigent.

**203.3(6) Quality.** (Sections 135.64(1)“i,” “k”)

*a.* Minimum staffing requirements for radiation therapy facilities:

(1) Each facility shall have the services of radiation therapists which should be staffed at a level of one therapist per 400 new cancer patients needing treatment.

(2) Each facility shall have the services of radiation physicists which should be staffed at a level of one physicist per 800 new patients.

(3) Each facility shall have the services of radiation therapy technologists which should be staffed at a level of two technologists per megavoltage unit.

(4) Each facility should have the services of nurses.

(5) Each facility should have the services of dosimetrists which should be staffed at a level of one dosimetrist per 500 new patients.

- b. Reserved.
- c. Each conjoint center shall have at least two cancer biologists available.
- d. Each conjoint center shall have one radiation technologist available for each simulator.
- e. Replacement or development of orthovoltage treatment should not occur.
- f. The long-range plans for radiation therapy services shall be submitted to the Iowa department of public health.
- g. Multidisciplinary tumor boards should be established in all institutions housing megavoltage or orthovoltage machines.
- h. A source of continuing education should exist within each conjoint center to reach participating community referral hospitals and physicians.
- i. Each conjoint center should have a unified training program in radiation therapy for radiation therapists.
- j. Each radiation therapy facility should offer psychosocial counseling services and nutritional counseling.

**203.3(7) Continuity.** (Sections 135.64(1)“g,” “h,” “i,” “k”)

a. The applicant should demonstrate that an attempt was made to solicit letters and establish referral agreements from area hospitals and physicians to indicate their willingness to participate in a cooperative endeavor to refer to the proposed service.

b. A minimum of 75 percent of all radiation therapy procedures should be projected to be done on an outpatient basis. If the applicant believes that 75 percent is inappropriate for its facility, then documentation which shows how its facility is different and why it sufficiently justifies not meeting this 75 percent outpatient rate, shall be provided.

**203.3(8) Acceptability.** (Section 135.64(1)“c”) Facilities with radiation therapy services shall document a willingness to observe and respect the rights of patients as stated in the “Patients Bill of Rights” adopted by the American Hospital Association February 6, 1973, and reprinted in 1975. Provisions for counseling services shall be available.

**641—203.4(135) Computerized tomography standards.**

**203.4(1) Purpose and scope.**

a. These standards are measures of some of those criteria in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“a” to “l.” Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

b. Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these computerized tomography standards include:

- (1) Proposals to commence or expand the capacity of computerized tomography services.
- (2) Any other applications which relate to computerized tomography services.

**203.4(2) Definitions.**

a. Computerized tomographic (CT) scanner—a diagnostic tool which rotates about and which sends X-ray beams through cross-sectional layers of the body or brain. The X-ray beams which emerge from the body or brain are absorbed by a detector. Differences in the amount of X-rays absorbed by the detector indicate differences in tissue density. As the scanner rotates it takes many images of a cross-section. The images on the detector are transmitted to a computer which displays on a TV a reconstructed cross-sectional picture or slice. Contrast media is then usually injected to alter absorption of the detector, and the scan repeated; this is called enhancement.

- (1) Whole body scanner—one capable of imaging the entire body.
- (2) Head scanner—one capable of imaging only the brain and structures adjacent to the head.

b. Enhanced scan—a scan performed on a patient who has been treated with a contrast medium so that specific organs or areas of the body will be displayed more distinctly on the scan image.

c. Arteriography—imaging of blood vessels supplying the area of interest following injection of contrast media.

*d.* Pneumoencephalogram—the X-ray imaging of the skull and its content after introducing air or gas into the fluid-filled spaces within and around the brain and spinal cord.

*e.* Radioisotope brain scan—nuclear imaging of the concentration of radioactive isotopes which have been injected by biochemical or physiological actions into the brain, referred to later as nuclear brain scan.

*f.* H.E.C.T. (head equivalent C.T. unit)—a unit by which to measure the capacity of a CT scanner, and being defined as the average number of minutes necessary to perform a single unenhanced CT head study on a body scanner (including the room and equipment preparation time).

By comparing the average times for performing various types of scan procedures to the time necessary to perform an unenhanced head scan, the following table of equivalencies was determined:

On a head scanner—

One unenhanced head scan = 1.05 HECTs

One enhanced head scan = 1.26 HECTs

A procedure involving both types of scans = 1.85 HECTs

On a body scanner—

One unenhanced head scan = 1.00 HECTs

One enhanced head scan = 1.16 HECTs

A procedure involving both types of scans = 1.74 HECTs

One unenhanced body scan = 1.48 HECTs

One enhanced body scan = 2.00 HECTs

A procedure involving both types of scans = 2.75 HECTs

*g.* Operational capacity for a CT scanner—the operational capacity of a scanner is 3000 HECTs per year, plus or minus 10 percent.

*h.* Minimum shared-market area for a scanner (hereafter referred to as “area”)—the smallest geographic area within which any scanner installation is judged to affect the utilization rate of any other scanner is the community (as defined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census) or a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (where an area is so designated).

*i.* Emergency medical service (EMS) level II trauma service—the level of various services and staffing that qualify a facility to be designated by the emergency medical service division of the Iowa department of public health, using the facilities categorization criteria of such services that is in effect on the date of the enactment of this standard.

*j.* Shared service agreements—a multi-institutional arrangement for coordination or consolidation of services or sharing of support services. Among the various types of arrangements are referred services, purchased or joint contract services, multisponsored services and regional services.

*k.* CT consortia—a cooperative venture in which two or more institutions form a separate entity which is created for the purpose of owning, leasing, planning for, and maintaining the use of the scanner. Each facility in the consortium maintains its autonomy for all other services.

*l.* Applicant—an applicant may be a facility or a consortium of facilities within an area, or a physician or group of physicians.

*m.* General imaging procedures—a radiological diagnostic procedure performed on an X-ray machine or similar radiological diagnostic instrument.

*n.* Active oncology service—full, multidisciplinary cancer care, provided by a medical team that would include: surgery, gynecology, medical oncology, radiation oncology, pathology, diagnostic radiology and nuclear medicine. The surgery specialties that might be available would include: thoracic, abdominal, genitourinary and gynecological. The active oncology staff would include those specialists with training in oncology, hematology, and pathology and who spend at least half of their time at the institution.

*o.* Radiotherapy service—the therapeutic application of megavoltage radiation, using a linear accelerator or cobalt unit. The availability of such service at a hospital would necessitate personnel trained in the therapeutic application of radiology.

*p.* Chemotherapy service—the treatment of cancer by chemical agents.

**203.4(3) Determination of need.**

a. Applicants who do not now have a scanner, or who have a scanner and seek a certificate for one or more additional scanners.

(1) Applicants in areas with no other scanners.

i. Applicants must have performed at least 30,000 general imaging procedures during the past calendar year or 12 months, or

ii. Demonstrate that during the past calendar year or 12 months, the applicant performed diagnostic procedures equivalent to 1500 HECTs, using the following scale:

50% of the number of radioisotopic brain scans  $\times$  1.75

25% of the number of cerebral angiograms/arteriograms  $\times$  1.75

100% of the number of pneumoencephelograms  $\times$  1.75

100% of the number of echoencephelograms  $\times$  1.17

10% of the number of skull X-rays  $\times$  1.75

100% of the number of patients referred to other facilities for CT diagnosis  $\times$  1.75 (in the case of head scans) and 2.75 (in the case of body scans)

(2) Applicants in areas with one or more scanners.

i. An applicant must meet the requirement of need, described in 203.4(3) "a"(1), and

ii. The average level of utilization for scanners within the area was at least 3000 HECTs (plus or minus 10 percent) for the past calendar year or 12 months. The average level of utilization will be determined by adding the number of HECTs performed during the period at all area facilities divided by the number of facilities.

iii. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics is specifically exempted from consideration under ii., directly above, because it has a service area that encompasses the entire state and adjoining states. The utilization statistics for the University Hospital will therefore neither affect nor be affected by Mercy Hospital, Iowa City. Additionally, the utilization statistics for scanners at the University of Nebraska Hospitals and Clinics and St. Joseph's Hospital (both in Omaha) will not affect the need for scanners at hospitals in Council Bluffs.

b. Replacement scanners—applicants who currently have a scanner.

(1) All applicants seeking to replace a scanner with another scanner, head or body.

i. The applicant must demonstrate that the applicant's use of the applicant's current scanner was at least at the operating capacity level during the last calendar year or 12 months, or

ii. Below the operating capacity level, but above 1500 HECT level, and the applicant must demonstrate reasons for permanently utilizing their scanner below operating capacity level and demonstrate that discontinuation of their scanner service would impair the applicant's ability to respond to the emergency needs of the area. Reasons for utilizing the scanner below the capacity should include a unique patient or procedure mix which would define the capacity level differently for this applicant.

(2) Applicants seeking to replace a head scanner with a body scanner.

i. The applicant must meet the requirements listed in 203.4(3) "a," and

ii. The applicant must meet the requirements for applicants seeking body scanners in 203.4(6), "Quality."

**203.4(4) Costs—whole body and head scanners.**

a. *Financial feasibility.* (Sections 135.64(1) "f," "i," "p") CT scanners should be depreciated over a period of not less than seven years. Remodeling shall be depreciated as appropriate by generally accepted accounting principles.

b. *Cost-effectiveness.*

(1) Applicants should demonstrate for themselves and the health care system that the most cost-effective method of providing CT services has been chosen. If a CT scanner which requires less than 20 seconds to produce one section is chosen, the applicant should demonstrate the scanner's cost-effectiveness over scanners requiring greater than 20 seconds to produce one section. If a CT scanner which requires 20 seconds to 2 minutes to produce one scan is chosen, the applicant should demonstrate the scanner's cost-effectiveness over scanners requiring greater than 2 minutes to produce one section.

(2) Proposed new and replacement CT scanner's cost per CT scan should, when compared to their peers, demonstrate cost-effectiveness.

**203.4(5) Accessibility.** (Sections 135.64(1) "c," "d")

a. All scanners must be available for emergency use 24 hours a day, less any down time. (Section 135.64(1) "d.")

b. Services should be provided to all patients regardless of the patient's ability to pay, taking into consideration the availability of those programs available in the state which serve the medically indigent.

c. Applicants will demonstrate a willingness to accept referrals for CT services from all area physicians.

d. All applicants must demonstrate through documented correspondence that an attempt has been made to form shared CT service agreements with all facilities within the area.

**203.4(6) Quality.** (Sections 135.64(1) "i," "k")

a. Data on use and costs of the CT scanners should be submitted to the Iowa department of public health as a condition of approval. (Sections 135.64(1) "a," "h")

b. All scanners.

(1) All applicants must demonstrate that they have on their staff or will acquire on their staff a full-time diagnostic radiologist, trained in the use of the CT scanner, or other physicians with comparable training and expertise.

(2) All applicants must document that they have on their medical staff individuals who are qualified to operate a scanner and interpret and act upon the diagnostic results. Such documentation may include reference to board certification, apprenticeship, academic credentials or such other qualifications that would prompt a medical staff to accept the responsibility for offering this new service. Applicants who intend to acquire staff with the desired expertise should provide signed letters of intent from the incoming medical personnel. Applicants who intend to upgrade the specialty skills of their staff should document a plan for training their current staff in the use of CT scanners.

(3) All applicants should have a complement of other diagnostic modalities available. Applicants seeking body scanners should also have available ultrasound, radionuclide scanning and conventional X-ray services.

(4) All applicants should have the facilities for treating the conditions diagnosed by imaging with the scanner or should demonstrate referral agreements with treatment facilities, in the event that the scanner will be used as a screening device.

(5) All applicants should have on their staff or available on a consultative basis the services of a biomedical engineer or radiation physicist, with special training in CT applications. These functions may also be provided by contract with the scanner manufacturer.

c. Head scanner only.

(1) Applicants for a head scanner should be a facility which qualifies for EMS Level II Trauma Service.

(2) If an applicant does not qualify for Level II Trauma Services, it must demonstrate that it has or will acquire a specialty practice in the field of diagnosing neurologic disorders, exclusive of neuropsychiatric disorders.

d. Body scanner only.

(1) Applicants for a body scanner must meet the criteria for EMS Level II Trauma Service.

(2) Applicants for a body scanner must be a hospital with 200 or more acute care beds. An applicant who does not meet the 200-bed rule may qualify for a body scanner if the applicant directly provides active oncology services with radiotherapy or chemotherapy treatment services, or both.

**203.4(7) Continuity.** (Sections 135.64(1) "g," "h," "i," "k")

a. The applicant should demonstrate that an attempt was made to solicit letters and to establish referral agreements from area hospitals and physicians to indicate a willingness to participate in a cooperative endeavor to refer to the proposed service.

b. The applicant should provide documentation that emergency medical transport services will be available.

c. The applicant should demonstrate an emphasis on the availability of outpatient CT procedures, and that an appropriate percentage of all CT procedures on head and whole body units will be done on an outpatient basis.

**203.4(8) Acceptability.** (Section 135.64(1)“k”) Providers of CT services should indicate a willingness to observe the rights of patients.

**203.4(9)** Rescinded effective 1/28/81.

**641—203.5(135) Long-term care.**

**203.5(1) Purpose and scope.**

a. These standards are measures of criteria found in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“a” to “g.” Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

b. Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these standards include applications to:

(1) Construct, develop, offer new, modernize, replace, renovate, or relocate intermediate care or skilled nursing care beds in nursing homes or hospitals.

(2) Expand bed capacity in intermediate care or skilled nursing care facilities or designated units in hospitals.

**203.5(2) Definitions.**

“*Intermediate care facility*” (ICF) means any institution, place, building, or agency providing for a period exceeding 24 consecutive hours accommodation, board, and nursing services, the need for which is certified by a physician, to three or more individuals, not related to the administrator or owner thereof within the third degree of consanguinity, who by reason of illness, disease, or physical or mental infirmity require nursing services which can be provided only under the direction of a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse.

“*Rural counties*” means all counties not designated by the U.S. Census as SMA (Standard Metropolitan Area) counties.

“*Skilled nursing facility*” (SNF) means any institution, place, building, or agency providing for a period exceeding 24 consecutive hours accommodation, board, and nursing services, the need for which is certified by a physician, to three or more individuals not related to the administrator or owner thereof within the third degree of consanguinity who by reason of illness, disease, or physical or mental infirmity require continuous nursing care services and related medical services, but do not require hospital care. The nursing care services provided must be under the direction of a registered nurse on a 24-hour-per-day basis.

“*Urban counties*” means those counties designated by the U.S. Census as SMA (Standard Metropolitan Area) counties.

**203.5(3) Availability and need.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

a. The following formula shall be used as a means of projecting the approximate number of intermediate and skilled nursing care beds needed to serve the projected population five years into the future:

(1) Rural counties:

$[\text{.09}(\text{65} + \text{population}) + \text{.0015}(\text{64} - \text{population})] \times 110\%$  equals total long-term care bed need

Combined SNF and ICF bed need equals 2/3 (total long-term care bed need)

Assumed RCF bed need equals 1/3 (total long-term care bed need).

(2) Urban counties:

$[\text{.07}(\text{65} + \text{population}) + \text{.0015}(\text{64} - \text{population})] \times 110\%$  equals total long-term care bed need

Combined SNF and ICF bed need equals 2/3 (total long-term care bed need)

Assumed RCF bed need equals 1/3 (total long-term care bed need).

(3) Department of economic development population projections are adopted for use in the determination of long-term care bed need.

(4) The department of public health will calculate long-term care bed need figures annually, using population projections five years into the future.



*b.* For purposes of comparing “need” to “existing” beds in a given county, the following shall be considered in the calculation of “existing” beds:

- (1) ICF and SNF beds licensed at freestanding facilities in the county.
- (2) Additional ICF and SNF beds previously approved through certificate of need but not yet licensed.
- (3) ICF and SNF beds in designated units in hospitals in the county.

*c.* The statistical calculation of bed need shall serve as a guideline for the health facilities council in reviewing need for the proposed long-term care beds. Other factors which may be considered by the council include, but are not limited to:

- (1) The availability and utilization of other ICF and SNF services in the county, or within the applicant’s service area.
- (2) The availability and utilization of other long-term care services in nearby hospitals, such as skilled care available through the swing bed program.
- (3) The availability of supportive living arrangements which may or may not be licensed as residential care facilities (RCF).
- (4) The availability of home health and other in-home services.
- (5) The availability of other services to the elderly.
- (6) The availability of ICF and SNF services in neighboring counties.
- (7) Utilization by out-of-state residents of facilities in counties bordering other states, where the applicant provides evidence that in-migration of long-term care patients exceeds out-migration to the bordering state.
- (8) Programs and services directed at special populations whose needs cannot otherwise be met, or whose needs cannot be met cost-effectively at other facilities.

*d.* In documenting need for a project, the applicant shall identify the service area and target population, including a description of the methodology used by the applicant in determining need for the requested beds and the expected sources of referrals. The applicant shall document that the number of beds requested is appropriate to address the identified need. The applicant shall also identify how the target population is currently being cared for, and what hardship is being experienced by the absence of the proposed beds.

**203.5(4) *Quality.*** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“*i,*” “*k*”) The applicant shall document that the applicant has contacted the health facilities division of the department of inspections and appeals to conform with physical standards, staffing requirements, and other licensing requirements to assess the potential for provision of quality care at the facility. When necessary, the applicant shall attempt to arrange an on-site visit to the facility to determine compliance with physical requirements, and shall provide documentation of this site visit or attempts to arrange such a site visit.

**203.5(5) *Continuity.*** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“*g,*” “*h,*” “*k*”)

*a.* The applicant shall document the relationship of the facility’s proposed services to other health and long-term care services in the community such as physician and hospital services, habilitation, rehabilitation, transportation or other services. The facility should be capable of providing or arranging for the provision of a continuum of long-term care services.

*b.* The facility should be capable of providing or arranging for the provision of a comprehensive program of coordinated patient services. The applicant shall provide evidence of contracts for services, appropriate staffing patterns and ratios, and licensure of personnel as necessary.

**203.5(6) *Accessibility and acceptability.*** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“*c,*” “*d*”)

*a.* Population subgroups which have traditionally been underserved, such as adolescents, the elderly, women, racial minorities, mentally ill, mentally retarded, and developmentally disabled should be considered when planning for or reviewing long-term care facilities.

*b.* The applicant shall document to what extent Medicaid patients will be served by the proposed beds, using past Medicaid utilization as an indicator or, in the case of a new facility, projecting anticipated Medicaid utilization.

**203.5(7) *Costs and financial feasibility.*** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“*e,*” “*f,*” “*i,*” “*p*”)

- a. The applicant shall identify capital and operating costs associated with the project, identify sources of funding to cover those costs, and demonstrate that the project is financially feasible.
- b. Construction costs shall be in line with construction costs of other similar projects.
- c. The applicant shall provide budgets for the first three years of operation, including documentation of all assumptions used. The budget shall include anticipated sources of revenue, including the percentage of revenue from private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and other patient revenues.
- d. Proposed charges per patient day should be justifiable when compared to current charges of other similarly licensed facilities in the applicant's service area, or other similar facilities elsewhere in the state. If charges are significantly higher or lower, the applicant shall provide a description of proposed programs or services which explain the difference in charges.

**641—203.6(135) Bed need formula for mentally retarded.**

**203.6(1) Age—ten years to sixty-five years.** It was determined that services for mentally retarded under age 10 would in most cases be met in the home and that in many cases not identified until approximately that age. For age 65 and older, the services needed would in most cases be similar to those of geriatric needs.

**203.6(2) Levels of retardation in population.**

a. Mildly retarded	2.6%
b. Moderately retarded	.3%
c. Severely and profoundly retarded	.1%
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% of mentally retarded in total population	3%

90% of "c" need services outside of home

50% of "b" need services outside of home

0% of "a" need services outside of home

**203.6(3) Formula.**

.1% (90%) = .09

.3% (50%) =  $\frac{.15}{.24}$

$\frac{.15}{.24} \div .03 = 8\%$

(8% of mentally retarded population need services outside of home)

8% of mentally retarded population = number of ICF/RCF beds

20% of all beds = ICF/MR beds at state-operated institution

30% of all beds = ICF/MR community-based facilities

50% of all beds = residential type services for all types of facilities.

**641—203.7(135) End-stage renal disease standards.**

**203.7(1) Purpose and scope.**

a. These standards are measures of some of those criteria found in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "a" to "g." Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

b. Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against end-stage renal disease standards include:

- (1) Proposals to expand the number of renal dialysis stations or renal transplant services.
- (2) Proposals to add new transplant or dialysis services.
- (3) Any other applications which relate to end-stage renal disease services.

**203.7(2) Definitions.**

a. *Dialysis.* A process by which dissolved substances are removed from a patient's body by diffusion from one fluid compartment to another across a semipermeable membrane. The two types of dialysis which are currently in common clinical practice are hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis. In these rules a dialysis is used to mean one treatment.

*b. Dialysis station.* Any permanent or portable dialysis machine to a health care facility which is set up to service mainly ESRD patients. Back-up dialysis machines which are used for isolation and acute cases are excluded from the definition of dialysis station except where specifically mentioned in particular standards.

*c. End-state renal disease (ESRD).* That stage of renal impairment which is virtually always irreversible and permanent, and requires dialysis or kidney transplantation to ameliorate uremic symptoms and maintain life.

*d. ESRD facility.* A facility which is approved to furnish at least one specific ESRD service (see June 3, 1976 Federal Register 405.2102(f)). Such facilities are:

(1) Renal transplantation center. A hospital unit which is approved to furnish directly transplantation and other medical and surgical specialty services required for the care of the ESRD transplant patients, including inpatient dialysis furnished directly or under arrangement. A renal transplantation center may also be a renal dialysis center.

(2) Renal dialysis center. A hospital unit which is approved to furnish the full spectrum of diagnostic, therapeutic (including inpatient dialysis furnished directly or under arrangement), and rehabilitative services, except renal transplantation required for the care of ESRD dialysis patients.

(3) Renal dialysis facility. A unit which is approved to furnish dialysis services to ESRD patients. Renal dialysis facilities may be hospital or nonhospital based.

*e. ESRD service.* The type of care or services furnished to an ESRD patient. Such types of care are:

(1) Transplantation services. A process by which a kidney is excised from a live or cadaveric donor. Such kidney is implanted in an ESRD patient and supportive care is furnished to the living donor and to the recipient following implantation.

(2) Dialysis service.

1. Outpatient dialysis. Self-dialysis, which is performed with little or no professional assistance by a patient with appropriate training; and staff-assisted dialysis which is performed by the staff of the center or facility.

2. Inpatient dialysis. Dialysis which, because of medical necessity, is furnished to an ESRD patient on a temporary basis in a hospital.

3. Home dialysis. Dialysis performed at home by an appropriately trained ESRD patient.

*f. Network, ESRD.* An approved organized group of ESRD facilities in a designated geographic area which by their type and location, and because of local referral patterns, collectively furnish the necessary care for ESRD patients in the population served.

*g. Organ procurement agency.* An organization which performs, or coordinates the performance of, all the following services:

(1) Harvesting of donated kidneys;

(2) Preservation of donated kidneys;

(3) Transportation of donated kidneys;

(4) Maintenance of a system to locate prospective recipients for harvested organs.

**203.7(3) Availability of services.**

*a. Renal dialysis centers and renal dialysis facilities.* (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

(1) Renal dialysis centers and renal dialysis facilities located within a standard metropolitan statistical area (SMSA) of 500,000 population or greater, which perform greater than 20 percent of dialyses on ESRD outpatients should have a minimum of six stations performing a minimum of 4.5 dialyses per station per week within three years of beginning operation or expanding.

(2) Renal dialysis centers and renal dialysis facilities, located within a SMSA or other service area of less than 500,000 population, which perform greater than 20 percent of dialyses on outpatients, should have a minimum of three stations performing a minimum of 4.0 dialyses per station per week within three years of beginning operation or expanding.

(3) Self-dialysis training stations which are used to successfully train at least six self-care or home dialysis ESRD patients per calendar year, and the dialyses performed on these stations, may be excluded from the calculation of utilization rates in standards (1) and (2).

(4) There should be no renal dialysis centers or renal dialysis facilities performing less than 20 percent outpatient dialyses.

(5) Each renal dialysis center and renal dialysis facility may have a reasonable number of back-up dialysis stations for isolation and acute cases.

*b.* Renal transplantation centers should perform 25 or more transplants annually and have a service area population of at least 2 million people.

*c.* Expansions. (Sections 135.64(1) “*c*,” “*d*,” “*e*,” “*g*,” “*h*”)

(1) There should be no additional renal dialysis centers or renal dialysis facilities, unless all stations within 90 minutes travel time are performing at a rate of at least 7 dialyses per station per week.

(2) There should be no expansions of an existing renal dialysis center or facility, unless that facility is performing at least 7 dialyses per station per week and the applicant’s projected cost studies demonstrate that an expansion of service capacity is more cost-effective (when operating capital costs are weighed) than offering the service at current capacity for two shifts per day.

(3) Self-dialysis training stations which are used to successfully train at least six self or home dialysis ESRD patients per calendar year, and the dialyses performed on these stations are to be excluded from the calculation of the previous standards (1) and (2).

(4) There should be no increase in the number of dialysis stations or centers if less than 35 percent of ESRD patients in the catchment area of that center or facility are on home or self-care dialysis, unless 100 percent of the ESRD dialysis patients at that center or facility have been evaluated by personnel or an appropriate training center for and where feasible entered into a program of home or self-dialysis training.

(5) New renal dialysis facilities or centers should be initiated only if the applicant can demonstrate a reasonably large unserved population within 90 minutes travel time of the proposed site.

(6) Each transplant center in the ESRD Network should perform a minimum of 50 transplants annually before additional transplant centers are open. (For the purpose of this document, the Veteran’s Administration Hospital at Iowa City and the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics are considered to be one transplant center.)

**203.7(4) Cost.** (Sections 135.64(1) “*f*,” “*i*,” “*p*”) Proposed new or expanded renal dialysis facility’s or renal dialysis center’s estimated cost per dialysis treatment should when compared to their peers, demonstrate cost-effectiveness.

**203.7(5) Accessibility.** (Sections 135.64(1) “*c*,” “*d*”) The service area for renal dialysis facilities and centers should be that area within 90 minutes travel time by auto of that facility or center.

**203.7(6) Quality.** (Sections 135.64(1) “*i*,” “*k*”) ESRD services shall meet all applicable federal quality control standards, as published in the June 3, 1976 Federal Register, “Renal Disease: Implementation of Coverage of Suppliers of End-Stage Services,” and “Federal Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled: Requirements for Self-Dialysis Units and Self-Dialysis Services,” sections 405.2134, 405.2135, 405.2136, 405.2137, 405.2139, 405.2140, 405.2160, 405.2161, 405.2162, 405.2163, 405.2171.

**203.7(7) Continuity.** (Sections 135.64(1) “*g*,” “*h*,” “*i*,” “*k*”) Proposed new ESRD facilities and those ESRD facilities proposing expansions should have membership in an ESRD network.

**203.7(8) Acceptability.** (Section 135.64(1) “*k*”) Patients’ rights and responsibilities should be assured in accordance with the June 3, 1976 Federal Register, “Renal Disease: Implementation of Coverage of Suppliers of End-Stage Services,” section 405.2138.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.72.

#### **641—203.8(135) Financial and economic feasibility.**

##### **203.8(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria <sup>1</sup>(a to q) found in Iowa Code section 135.64. Criteria <sup>1</sup>(a to q) which are measured by a standard are cited below:

Financial feasibility subrule 203.8(3), paragraph “*b*,” criteria <sup>1</sup>“*b*,” “*c*,” “*p*”; subrule 203.8(3), paragraph “*c*,” criteria <sup>1</sup>“*f*,” “*p*”; subrule 203.8(3), paragraph “*d*,” criteria <sup>1</sup>“*c*,” “*f*,” “*p*,” “*q*.”

Economic feasibility subrule 203.8(4), paragraph “*a*,” criteria <sup>1</sup>“*e*,” “*f*,” “*g*,” “*i*,” “*p*,” “*q*.”

b. Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these financial and economic feasibility standards include institutional health facilities, as defined in Iowa Code section 135.61.

**203.8(2) Definitions.**

a. *Project.* The remodeling, replacing or equipping of existing buildings, as well as the building or equipping of new structures.

b. *Financial feasibility.* The applicant's demonstration that it has the money, or that it can reasonably expect to obtain moneys equal to the estimated project costs, to any debt associated with the project, and to the annual expenses of providing the service, as well as the demonstration of overall institutional financial strength.

c. *Financial ratio analysis.* Evaluation of the financial position of an organization through creating indexes of income, revenue, assets, liabilities, etc. Financial ratios can be classified into liquidity, capital structure, activity and profitability ratios. Financial ratios measure financial feasibility.

(1) Net margin. The net income (after taxes if the applicant is not tax-exempt) minus nonoperating revenue divided by gross revenue.

(2) Net operating margin. Net income (after taxes if the applicant is not tax-exempt) minus nonoperating revenue divided by total operating revenue.

(3) Current asset ratio (current ratio). Current assets divided by current liabilities.

(4) Debt ratio. Total long-term debts divided by total fixed assets.

(5) Debt service coverage. The total of net income, interest expense, amortization of financing costs, and depreciation plus amortization and interest divided by the annual debt service.

(6) Days revenue in accounts receivable. Gross accounts receivable divided by gross patient revenue divided by 365.

d. *Debt financing.* Any portion of the cost of projects to be financed through borrowing either at the time the project is undertaken or at anytime subsequent thereto.

e. *(Gross) revenue.* Total of operating and nonoperating revenues.

f. *Nonoperating revenues.* Revenues not related to patient care or normal day-to-day operations, including unrestricted gifts, unrestricted endowments, income from the sale of a fixed asset, unrestricted income from a restricted or unrestricted fund, rental of facilities not used in operation, etc. (restricted funds are specifically excluded, unless expended during the accounting period, in which case they are accounted for either as operating or nonoperating revenues).

g. *Operating revenues.* Net patient service revenues (patient revenues minus deduction for charity, contractual and bad debt allowances) and other operating revenues.

h. *Excess (or deficiency) of gross revenues over (or under) expenses.* Net income.

i. *Excess (or deficiency) of operating revenues over (or under) expenses.* Net operating income.

j. *Economic feasibility.* The applicant's demonstration that its project will provide for the allocation of scarce resources within a community in a manner that is of maximum benefit to that community, in other words demonstration that the project will be cost-effective and will contain health care costs to the greatest extent possible.

k. *Expense.* An expired cost (cost = price paid for operations and assets, including leased assets vis-a-vis cash outlay, indebtedness incurred, or cash equivalent) incurred directly or indirectly in earning revenue. Expenditures may be expended over many years.

l. *Asset.* Economic potentials from which future benefits are expected to result, include leased capital equipment.

m. *Liabilities.* Debts or obligations.

n. *Gross patient revenues.* Patient service revenues before allowances for bad debt and charity and contracts.

o. *Debt service.* The payment of matured interest and principal; the outlay needed, supplied, or accrued for meeting such payments during any given accounting period; a budget or operating statement heading such items.

p. *Current assets.* Liquid assets which can be expected to directly or indirectly be converted into cash within one year or the operating cycle, whichever is longer (includes leased assets).

**203.8(3) Financial feasibility analysis.**

a. The applicant will provide financial feasibility analysis of the project's (facility's) past and projected costs, as requested by the Iowa department of public health.

b. The applicant shall show evidence of sound financial planning.

(1) If the sponsor has a long-range institutional plan, the project should be consistent with it. If the sponsor has no long-range institutional plan, the applicant shall demonstrate that the proposal helps meet the long-range needs of the community.

(2) The project should be consistent with the sponsor's three-year capital expenditure plan which all hospital and skilled nursing facilities must have.

c. The applicant shall demonstrate the financial feasibility of the services (institution) at completion and, shall show evidence of sound historical, financial, and operational management.

(1) The net operating margin should be positive. If a net loss is projected following completion of the project, an explanation of source funds should be given. Institutions funded by tax levy or endowment shall demonstrate that money from those sources has been historically applied to cover operating expenses if those institutions have a negative net operating margin.

(2) The net margin should be positive. If net loss is projected an explanation of source funds should be given.

(3) The past and projected current ratio should be at least 2:1.

(4) Past and projected debt service coverage ratio should be at least 2:1.

(5) The debt financing of a project should not increase the debt ratio above .8 unless debt service payments will derive from sources other than operating revenues.

(6) Days revenues in accounts receivable should not have been more than 65 days.

(7) If third party payment can be expected for the project, then some documentation indicating that the type of project which is proposed is generally third party reimbursable should be provided.

d. Sponsors shall show evidence of past efficient utilization. Standards (1) and (2) below apply to hospital project applications for:

—Construction of new acute care beds;

—Modernization or renovation of acute care beds/patient nursing units;

—Conversion of acute care beds from one service use to another;

—Addition to the square footage space of the hospital, where it might be architecturally feasible and cost-effective to convert excess bed space.

(1) Hospitals should have been no lower than 5 percent below the implicit target occupancy rate according to the bed need formula for the last year. Additionally hospitals with lower than target occupancy rates should show a trend during the last three years of increasing occupancy rates. This 5 percent refers to deviation on a scale of 1-100 percent and not to 5 percent of the target occupancy rate itself. Long-term care facilities should have had a 90 percent average occupancy for the last three years.

(2) Hospitals should have an average length of stay by service no greater than 10 percent above the average of their size category for the last three years.

Standards (1) and (2) above do not amend rule 641—203.1(135) acute bed care need methodology. But are additional measures of financial viability which supplement rule 641—203.1(135).

(3) Prior to the project's initiation, the full-time equivalent employees per adjusted patient day as reported in the most recent American Hospital Association Hospital Statistics should be no greater than 110 percent of the state average for hospitals of similar size. Categories of hospitals of similar size are:

<u>Beds</u>
6-24
25-49
50-99
100-199
200-299
300-399
400-499
500+

Adjusted patient day as used here is defined in Hospital Statistics, AHA, 1978.

Nursing homes shall meet regulations for licensure personnel requirements.

(4) Prior to initiation of a project, the cost per patient day of a hospital should be within 10 percent of the state average for hospitals within that size category. (See standard 203.8(3)“d”(3) for size categories.) An applicant's costs, which are incurred as a result of shared service contracts with other entities, and which are not charged to patients within the applicant's facility should not be included in the estimation of costs per patient day.

**203.8(4) *Economic feasibility.***

*a.* The project as proposed shall be cost-effective.

(1) The applicant should demonstrate that the project represents the most cost-effective alternative. Such alternatives include, among others, new construction versus renovation and new service versus shared or contracted services.

(2) The applicant should demonstrate that of the financing methods available, the financing method chosen is the least costly alternative.

(3) Applicants shall demonstrate that construction or renovation costs are reasonable when compared to similar projects of the most recent year.

(4) The net operating margin should not exceed a percentage sufficient to provide for the organization's financial requirements, as defined in “Financial Requirements of Health Care Institutions and Services” (American Hospital Association, S031, February 1979), and limited by existing reimbursement payors.

(5) Facilities should show evidence that they have considered alternate energy sources within their institutions; and energy efficiency in project construction design.

*b.* Reserved.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.74.

<sup>1</sup> Iowa Code section 135.64(1).

**641—203.9(135) Obstetrical services and neonatal intensive care unit standards.**

**203.9(1) *Purpose and scope.***

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria 1(a to q) and 3 found in Iowa Code section 135.64. Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

*b.* Certificate of need applications for new institutional, or changed institutional health services, which are to be evaluated by the standards in this section, are those applications to:

(1) Offer new, discontinue, or change the level of perinatal services;

(2) Construct, develop, offer new, modernize, replace, renovate or relocate neonatal intensive care services;

(3) Expand bed capacity in neonatal intensive care units.

**203.9(2) Definitions.**

a. “*Perinatal services*” means the facilities, equipment and personnel which provide fetal, neonatal, and maternal care from the first indication of pregnancy up through and including birth and to the time when mother and infant are in stable health. Perinatal services in acute care facilities are classified by the Iowa department of public health into three levels of centers. For detailed descriptions of what constitutes levels of obstetrical and neonatal services, reference Standards for Perinatal Centers (most recent edition), Iowa department of public health.

(1) Level I perinatal centers are hospitals whose function it is to provide neonatal nursery and obstetrical services for uncomplicated newborn and maternity patients. Certain level I centers with large numbers of births may offer some of those neonatal and obstetrical services associated with regional level II perinatal centers.

(2) Regional level II perinatal centers are designated hospitals whose responsibility is to provide care for the majority of complicated/high-risk fetal, neonatal and maternal patients in their areas. Regional level II referral area facilities have:

1. A defined referral area;
2. An educational outreach program; and
3. Staffing for maternal and neonatal emergency transport in the referral area.

Regional level II perinatal centers also provide level I neonatal and obstetrical services.

(3) Level III perinatal centers are designated hospitals whose priority responsibility is to provide tertiary care for all types of fetal neonatal and maternal illnesses and abnormalities. Tertiary responsibilities are to provide:

1. Consultation to level I and level II centers;
2. Transportation from level I and level II centers;
3. Continuing education and training for level I and level II centers.

Level III centers also provide level I and level II perinatal services.

b. “*Obstetrical unit*” means the labor, delivery, post partum, auxiliary facilities and primary care nursery unit in any perinatal center. The intensity of obstetrical services differs between the three levels of perinatal centers. Intensity means the kinds of personnel and equipment, and to a lesser extent physical facilities available, and is related to the number of births occurring at a facility. Auxiliary facilities include, but are not limited to, scrub facilities, equipment rooms, formularies, sterilization facilities, and drug distribution stations.

c. “*Neonatal intensive care unit*” means a nursery unit for neonates who are critically ill or of extremely high risk.

**203.9(3) Availability.**

a. Relationship of perinatal centers to Iowa department of public health’s perinatal standards committee.

(1) Each hospital submitting an application shall identify in writing the level of care at which the state health plan classifies that hospital’s perinatal services, as identified by the Iowa department of public health’s perinatal standards committee.

(2) In addition to meeting the standards which follow, each applicant which seeks to change the level of care at which the state health plan classifies its perinatal services should submit to the department, during the letter of intent period, additional information in which the applicant describes the degree of conformance with the perinatal standards for the level of care that it seeks to deliver.

(3) Upon receipt of the additional information, the staff to the health facilities council shall seek a recommendation of the perinatal standards committee as to the applicant’s conformance to the standards.

b. Minimum utilization—neonatal intensive care units. Each regional perinatal center service area should have no more than four neonatal intensive care beds per 1,000 live births.

c. Expansions. Applications for expanding or starting new neonatal intensive care units should not receive approval unless they have received the endorsement of the Iowa department of public health’s perinatal standards committee. Such endorsement should be accompanied by an analysis of the impact the new beds will have on the occupancy rates of other neonatal intensive care units in the same referral area.



**203.9(4) Costs.** See financial and economic feasibility standards, 641—203.8(135).

**203.9(5) Accessibility.**

*a.* Travel time to a level I obstetrical unit should not exceed 30 minutes for 80 percent of the population served by that unit.

*b.* Services should be provided regardless of ability to pay, in consideration of those programs available in the state which serve the medically indigent.

**203.9(6) Quality.** Facilities should meet those Standards for Perinatal Centers (most recent edition), Iowa department of public health, for the levels of care which they provide.

**203.9(7) Continuity.** Facilities should meet those Standards for Perinatal Centers (most recent edition), Iowa department of public health, for the levels of care which they provide.

**203.9(8) Acceptability.** Facilities with neonatal and obstetrical services shall document a willingness to observe and respect the rights of patients. Provisions for counseling services shall be available.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.64.

### **641—203.10(135) Designated pediatric units standards.**

**203.10(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria 1<sup>1</sup>(a to q) found in Iowa Code section 135.64. Criteria 1<sup>1</sup>(a to q) which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses, following each standard.

*b.* Certificate of need applications for new institutional or changed institutional health services, which are to be evaluated by the standards in this rule, are those applications to:

(1) Construct, develop, offer new, modernize, replace, renovate or relocate designated pediatric units, services and equipment;

(2) Expand bed capacity in designated pediatric units.

**203.10(2) Definitions.**

*a. Designated pediatric units.* A designated set of hospital facilities with equipment and personnel planned for the care of infants (other than newborn) and children (usually less than 16 years of age). According to 641—Chapter 51 of the Iowa Administrative Code, pediatric units constructed after 1976 have in addition to patient rooms, nurseries, nursery workrooms, examination and treatment room for nurseries; multipurpose rooms for dining, education and play; space for preparation and storage of infant formula; patient toilet room(s) convenient to multipurpose room equipment; and storage space for replacement of youth and adult beds to provide for swing capacity. Nurse staffing for pediatric units should have special training in pediatrics. While usable bed capacity in a section of a facility may be a designated pediatric unit, beds in that unit may be swung when peak patient census demands such.

*b. Swing bed.* Acute care beds which may serve adult medical/surgical patients, and pediatric patients, depending upon the patient census.

**203.10(3) Availability.***a. Minimum utilization.* (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “g,” “h”)

(1) All designated pediatric units should operate at least at the following minimum occupancy rates:

<u>Beds</u>	<u>% Occupancy</u>	<u>Beds</u>	<u>% Occupancy</u>
< 10.....	60%	32-35 .....	68%
11-13.....	61%	36-39 .....	69%
14-15.....	62%	40-47 .....	70%
16-17.....	63%	48-55 .....	71%
18-19.....	64%	56-63 .....	72%
20-23.....	65%	64-71 .....	73%
24-27.....	66%	72-79 .....	74%
28-31.....	67%	80+ .....	75%

Facilities which cannot justify a designated pediatrics unit based on the above minimum occupancy rates are encouraged to care for pediatric patients in medical surgical beds.

*b. Expansions.* (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

(1) Designated pediatric units in a multihospital community should be operating at least at the minimum occupancy levels of 203.10(3) “a”(1) before additional beds are approved. Expansion of designated pediatric units in a multihospital community which has units running at less than the minimum occupancy rates of 203.10(3) “a”(1) and expansion of designated pediatric units which would likely cause other units in the community to operate at less than the minimum occupancy rates should be approved only if such expansions reflect the outcome of a community planning effort which includes recommendations to adopt the least long run cost method of providing designated pediatric services in the community.

**203.10(4) Costs.** See financial and economic feasibility standards, 641—203.8(135).

**203.10(5) Accessibility.** (Sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d”)

*a.* Surface travel time to a designated pediatric unit in a service area should not exceed 60 minutes for 80 percent of Iowa’s population.

*b.* Services should be provided regardless of ability to pay, in consideration of those programs available in the state which serve the medically indigent.

**203.10(6) Quality.** (Sections 135.64(1) “i,” “k”) The proposal should meet all applicable licensure regulations.

**203.10(7) Continuity.** (Sections 135.64(1) “g,” “h,” “i,” “k”)

*a.* The applicant should provide documentation that physician’s services are available 24 hours a day, and that registered nursing services are available on-site 24 hours a day.

*b.* Facilities with designated pediatric units should include mechanisms for comprehensive medical follow-up, including medical records exchange.

**203.10(8) Acceptability.** (Section 135.64(1) “c”) Facilities with pediatric services shall document a willingness to observe and respect the rights of patients as stated in the “Patients Bill of Rights” adopted by the American Hospital Association, February 6, 1973, and reprinted in 1975.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.61 to 135.83.

<sup>1</sup> Iowa Code section 135.64(1).

**641—203.11(135) Designated inpatient substance abuse treatment unit standards.****203.11(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria found in Iowa Code section 135.64(1) “a” to “g.” Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

b. Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these standards include applications to:

(1) Construct, develop, offer new, modernize, replace, renovate, or relocate designated inpatient substance abuse treatment units and services.

(2) Expand bed capacity in designated inpatient substance abuse treatment units.

**203.11(2) Definition.** Designated inpatient substance abuse treatment unit is a designated set of hospital facilities with patient beds, equipment and personnel designed for the treatment and rehabilitation of patients for whom the primary diagnosis is alcohol abuse or dependence or other drug abuse or dependence. Units designated strictly for detoxification are not considered a treatment unit as defined in this standard.

**203.11(3) Availability and need.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

a. The following formula shall be used as a means of projecting current utilization of inpatient substance abuse treatment services into the future and shall serve as an approximation of the number of beds needed to serve the projected population.

$$\text{Bed Need} = \frac{\text{Population by Thousand}}{80\% \text{ Occupancy}} \times \frac{\text{Patient Days per Thousand Population}}{365}$$

The formula shall be calculated separately for community hospitals and state mental health institutes. The methodology for applying the formula shall be as follows.

(1) Bed need shall be calculated annually for a period five years into the future.

(a) “Population by thousand” refers to department of economic development population projection for five years into the future.

(b) For calculating community hospital bed need, “patient days per thousand population” is calculated by dividing the total patient days in all community hospital-based substance abuse treatment units during the past year (as reported on the annual hospital survey by the department of health) by the state population for that year as projected by the department of economic development.

(c) Applying the figures from (1)(a) and (1)(b) in the formula will project a statewide total of likely bed need for community hospital substance abuse treatment units, based on current utilization.

(d) For calculating mental health institute bed need, “patient days per thousand population” is calculated by dividing the total patient days in the four mental health institute substance abuse treatment units (as reported to the department of human services) by the state population for that year as projected by the department of economic development.

(e) Applying the figures from (1)(a) and (1)(d) in the formula will project a statewide total of likely bed need for mental health institute substance abuse treatment units based on current utilization.

(2) For purposes of comparing “need” to “existing” beds in community hospitals, the state shall be divided into eight planning districts, as used by the department of human services.

(a) The total number of beds derived in (1)(c) above for likely bed need for community hospital units shall be divided by the projected state population in thousands to derive beds needed per thousand population.

(b) For each district, the factor in (2)(a) above shall be multiplied by the projected population by thousand in that district for a district bed need.

(c) To determine number of existing beds in a given district, the number of substance abuse treatment beds at all community hospitals in that district shall be added together. The number of beds at each facility shall be the number of licensed or registered beds in the substance abuse treatment unit, as reported on the annual hospital survey to the Iowa department of public health.

(3) For purposes of comparing “need” to “existing” beds in mental health institutes, the total number of beds derived in (1)(e) above for likely bed need for MHI units will be compared to the total of the existing substance abuse treatment beds at the four MHIs in the state as reported on the Iowa department of public health annual survey.

b. In documenting need for a project, the applicant shall identify the service area and target population, including a description of the methodology used by the applicant in determining need for the requested beds, the expected sources of referrals, and expected average length of stay. The applicant shall document that the number of beds requested is appropriate to the modality of treatment being proposed. The applicant shall also identify where the target population has received services in the past.

c. The availability and utilization of other services in the area (e.g., inpatient, outpatient, and residential services) shall be considered in the determination of need. The applicant shall describe the relationship of the proposed service to existing services and describe what impact the proposed service will have on similar or alternate services in the district.

d. Existing hospital-based substance abuse treatment programs in the district should be running at least 85 percent occupancy in units of less than 20 beds and at least 90 percent occupancy in units of 20 beds or more before any additional inpatient substance abuse treatment beds are approved.

e. A hospital seeking expansion of a substance abuse treatment unit must demonstrate that its occupancy has been greater than 90 percent for the past two years.

f. Applicants must be able to project an annual 70 percent occupancy rate in the unit for the second year of operation and must be able to project an 80 percent occupancy rate in the unit by the third year of operation.

**203.11(4) Quality.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "i," "k")

a. Staffing for an inpatient substance abuse treatment unit should minimally consist of:

(1) Medical director. The applicant shall document that the physician has specific knowledge and special interest in the area of substance abuse and several years of experience and training in the treatment of substance abusers. Physician backup must be available on a 24-hour basis.

(2) Administrative director. The applicant shall document that the director, if other than the medical director, has experience in hospital administration or substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation.

(3) Nursing personnel must staff the unit on a 24-hour basis. The applicant shall document that the RNs and LPNs have had or will be provided with specific training in the area of substance abuse treatment.

(4) Counselors. The applicant shall document the availability of chemical dependency counselors who are certified or have equivalent qualifications in training, education, and experience.

(5) Psychiatrist or psychologist should be available on staff or on a contract basis. The applicant shall document that the psychiatrist or psychologist has shown a continued interest in the area of substance abuse treatment and has experience in dealing with chemically dependent patients.

(6) Family therapist(s): The program shall employ or contract with a family therapist(s) that has completed a chemical dependency counselor training program with emphasis on family involvement; or has a master's level in family social work, family counseling or other appropriate fields; or has the equivalent in training or experience.

(7) Other ancillary personnel. The program should have access to other personnel such as social workers, dietitians, recreational therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and other ancillary services as needed.

b. All inpatient programs shall develop and utilize specific written admission criteria. A good example of such criteria is that developed by the Iowa Foundation for Medical Care.

c. The program shall have a written evaluation system and be capable of providing treatment process and outcome data to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of the program at least once annually.

**203.11(5) Continuity.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "g," "h," "k")

a. The applicant shall have formal referral arrangements with existing diagnosis and referral services, and detoxification services.

b. If outpatient services are available, the applicant shall provide a description of the circumstances under which a client would be accepted for inpatient treatment rather than entered into the outpatient program. The applicant shall also describe the circumstances under which a patient would be referred from inpatient to outpatient care and should have referral arrangements for outpatient services.

c. The applicant shall document that aftercare or continuing care services will be provided by the facility on a long-term basis or that such services will be provided through referral arrangements.

For patients leaving the vicinity of the hospital to return to their home communities, the applicant shall indicate what arrangements will be made to provide for aftercare.

**203.11(6) Accessibility and acceptability.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“c,” “d”) Population subgroups which have traditionally been underserved, such as adolescents, the elderly, women, and racial minorities, should be considered when planning for or reviewing inpatient treatment programs.

**203.11(7) Costs and financial feasibility.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“e,” “f,” “i,” “p”)

*a.* The applicant shall document that for the target population, hospital-based inpatient care is warranted. The applicant shall demonstrate that alternatives were considered and that there is no less costly acceptable mode of treatment.

*b.* Charges per patient day should be justifiable when compared to current charges of other inpatient substance abuse treatment programs in the state.

*c.* The applicant should outline the anticipated sources of reimbursement in preparing the program’s projected budget, indicating the percentage of patient days allocated to indigent clients, Medicare clients, private pay clients, privately insured clients or others.

*d.* Conversion projects will be considered preferable to new construction unless documentation of cost-savings is presented, or other factors to be specified by the applicant prohibit such conversion.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.64.

#### **641—203.12(135) Magnetic resonance imaging services standards.**

**203.12(1) Purpose and scope.**

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“a” to “q.” Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

*b.* Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these standards include:

- (1) Proposals to commence or expand the capacity of magnetic resonance imaging services.
- (2) Proposals to replace a magnetic resonance imaging unit.
- (3) Any other applications which relate to magnetic resonance imaging.

**203.12(2) Definitions.**

“Area” means the community or a metropolitan statistical area (as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget and used by the U.S. Census Bureau).

“CT (computed tomography) procedure” means a CT study of a single site of anatomic interest during an individual patient visit.

“Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)” means a diagnostic modality which employs a combination of magnetic and radio frequency fields and computers to produce images of body organs and tissues.

“MRI procedure” means each discrete MRI study of one patient.

“MRI unit” means the essential equipment and facility necessary to operate one MRI system.

**203.12(3) Availability and need.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

*a.* Applicants in areas with no other MRI units. Applicant must document a CT procedure volume of at least 4,500 CT procedures during the most recent calendar or fiscal year period. For purposes of calculating the volumes required, the applicant may use the combined total of more than one facility if the application involves joint ownership of the equipment, or the applicant provides evidence of referral arrangements for the proposed MRI service from the facilities whose procedure or patient volumes are included in the calculations.

*b.* Applicants in areas with one or more MRI units currently in operation or approved by certificate of need for operation.

(1) Applicant must meet the requirement of need described in 203.12(3)“a” and

(2) The other MRI unit(s) within the area must have been operating at a minimum of 3,000 MRI procedures annually (or 750 in three months), or proportionately more if the MRI unit runs more than one ten-hour shift.

(3) If the annual utilization of the other MRI unit(s) within the area has been below 3,000 procedures, future utilization above that current level must be reasonably projected or reasons for permanently utilizing the equipment below the 3,000 procedure level must be demonstrated.

*c.* Applicants seeking to replace an MRI unit.

(1) The applicant must demonstrate that the existing MRI unit has been operating at the level of at least 3,000 procedures during the most recent annual period.

(2) If the applicant's annual utilization has been below 3,000 procedures, the applicant must reasonably project future utilization above that level or demonstrate reasons for permanently utilizing the equipment below that level.

*d.* Applicants seeking to add an additional MRI unit.

(1) The applicant must demonstrate that the existing MRI unit(s) has been operating at the level of at least 3,500 procedures during the most recent annual period.

(2) The applicant must demonstrate that the demand significantly exceeds the 3,500 procedures annually.

*e.* The provisions of subrule 203.12(3) shall be effective until June 30, 1995. Prior to that time the Iowa department of public health shall reconvene a task force to recommend continuing use of the need methodology outlined or develop a new or revised methodology to use in projecting future MRI needs. The department shall promulgate a new subrule 203.12(3) accordingly.

**203.12(4)** *Quality and continuity.* (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "g," "h," "i," "k")

*a.* The proposed MRI unit must function as a component of a comprehensive inpatient or outpatient diagnostic service. The proposed MRI unit must have the following modalities on-site or through referral arrangements:

- (1) Ultrasound
- (2) Computed tomography — whole body unit
- (3) Angiography
- (4) Nuclear medicine
- (5) Conventional radiography

*b.* The proposed MRI unit must be located in a facility which has, either in-house or through referral arrangement, the resources necessary to treat most of the conditions diagnosed or confirmed by MRI. The following medical specialties must be available during MRI service hours on-site or by referral arrangements: neurology or neurosurgery, oncology and cardiology.

*c.* A proposal to provide new or expanded MRI must include satisfactory assurances that the services will be offered in a physical environment that conforms to federal standards, manufacturer's specifications, and licensing agencies' requirements.

*d.* The applicant must provide evidence that the proposed MRI equipment has been certified for clinical use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or will be operated under an institutional review board whose membership is consistent with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regulations.

*e.* Applicants for MRI shall document that the necessary qualified staff are available to operate the proposed unit. The following minimum staff shall be available to the MRI unit:

1. A full-time board eligible or board certified radiologist or nuclear medicine imaging physician or any other board eligible or board certified licensed physician whose exclusive responsibility for at least a two-year period prior to submission of a certificate of need request has been in the acquisition and interpretation of clinical images. This individual shall have a knowledge of MRI through training, experience, or documented postgraduate education. The individual shall also have training with a functional MRI facility.

2. Qualified engineering personnel, available to the institution during MRI service hours, with training and experience in the operation and maintenance of the MRI equipment.

3. Diagnostic radiologic technologists or other certified technologists with expertise in computed tomography or other cross-sectional imaging methods, at a staffing level consistent with the hospital's expected MRI service volume.

4. Other appropriate physicians shall be available during MRI service hours in clinical specialties such as neurology or neurosurgery, oncology and cardiology.

*f.* The applicant shall demonstrate how emergencies within the MRI unit will be managed in conformity with accepted medical practice.

**203.12(5)** *Accessibility and acceptability.* (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "c," "d")

*a.* MRI facilities should have adequate scheduled hours to avoid an excessive backlog of cases and MRI shall be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on an emergency (on-call) basis.

*b.* Selection of patients for clinical MRI studies must guarantee equal access to all persons regardless of insurance coverage or ability to pay.

*c.* In addition to accepting patients from participating institutions, facilities performing clinical MRI procedures shall accept appropriate referrals from other local providers. These patients shall be accommodated to the extent possible by extending the hours of service and by prioritizing patients according to standards of need and appropriateness rather than source of referral.

**203.12(6) *Costs and financial feasibility.*** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “*e*,” “*f*,” “*i*,” “*p*”)

*a.* The applicant shall identify capital and operating costs associated with the proposed MRI unit, identify sources of funding to cover those costs, and demonstrate that the project is financially feasible.

*b.* The applicant shall provide budgets for the first three years of operation, including documentation and justification of all assumptions used.

*c.* The applicant must document its projected average cost per procedure and charge per procedure for the first three years. Charges for MRI should be reasonably related to service cost, and comparable to MRI charges at other facilities in the state.

*d.* The applicant shall demonstrate that alternatives were considered and the proposed application is the most cost-effective and will accomplish the goals of the project.

*e.* To provide a data base for evaluation of subsequent MRI applications by the health facilities council, applicants granted a certificate of need shall provide to the certificate of need office the following data upon request of the Iowa department of public health. The department will request the following data on an annual basis.

1. Total number of procedures performed;
2. Total number of inpatient procedures;
3. Total number of outpatient procedures;
4. Average charge per procedure;
5. Hours of operation of the MRI unit;
6. Total revenues and expenses for the MRI unit for the year.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.64.

**641—203.13(135) Positron emission tomography services standards.**

**203.13(1) *Purpose and scope.***

*a.* These standards are measures of some of those criteria in Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “*a*” to “*q*.” Criteria which are measured by a standard are cited in parentheses following each standard.

*b.* Certificate of need applications which are to be evaluated against these standards include:

- (1) Proposals to commence or expand the capacity of positron emission tomography services.
- (2) Proposals to replace a positron emission tomography unit.
- (3) Any other applications which relate to positron emission tomography.

**203.13(2) *Definitions.***

“*Area*” means the community or a metropolitan statistical area (as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget and used by the U.S. Census Bureau).

“*CT (computed tomography)*” means an imaging method in which a cross-sectional image of the structures in a body plane is reconstructed by a computer program from the X-ray absorption of beams projected through the body in the image plane.

“*Cyclotron*” means an apparatus for accelerating protons or neutrons to high energies by means of a constant magnet and an oscillating electric field.

“*MRI (magnetic resonance imaging)*” means a diagnostic modality which employs a combination of magnetic and radio frequency fields and computers to produce images of body organs and tissues.

“*Radiopharmaceutical*” means a radioactive pharmaceutical used for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.

“*PET procedure*” means an image-scanning sequence derived from a single administration of PET, equated with a single injection of the tracer.

“*Positron emission tomography (PET)*” means an imaging method in which positron-emitting radionuclides, which are produced either by a cyclotron or generator, and a nuclear camera are used to create pictures of organ function rather than structure. PET installations generally take one of two forms: a PET scanner using only generator-produced tracers (basic PET unit), or a PET scanner with a cyclotron (enhanced PET unit).

“*SPECT (single photon emission computed tomography)*” means a camera-based imaging system using the radionuclides in the routine practice of nuclear medicine.

**203.13(3) Availability and need.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “c,” “d,” “e,” “g,” “h”)

a. Applicants in areas with no other basic or enhanced PET units.

(1) Applicants should demonstrate a reasonable potential utilization of a PET unit based on diversified inpatient and outpatient case mix thresholds including:

1. Intracranial cases

- Primary brain tumors 50/year
- Metastasis 100/year
- Cerebral vascular disease 200/year
- Organic brain disease and dementia/psychiatric diagnoses (including epilepsy-seizure disorders) 500/year

- Spinal 100/year

2. Cardiovascular cases

- Ischemic heart disease (including acute and chronic infarction) 1200/year

3. Neoplasms (head, neck, thorax (excluding heart), abdomen, pelvic and musculoskeletal) 1300/year

4. If the application is for a basic unit, the above case mix and numbers should be adjusted according to the proposed use of the unit.

(2) Applicants should have other diagnostic capabilities, on-site or through referral arrangements, with appropriate volumes including:

	<u>Proposed Threshold</u>
Nuclear medicine imaging services	7,000
Single photon emission computed tomography (including brain, bone, liver, Gallium and Thallium stress)	2,000
CT	10,000
MRI	3,000
Cardiac angiography	1,500
Cardiac ultrasound	7,000

(3) Applicants must demonstrate secondary and tertiary service capability, on-site or through referral arrangements, including cardiac surgery, cardiology, internal medicine, general surgery, hematology/oncology, neurology, pathology, thoracic surgery and psychiatry.

b. Applicants in areas with one or more basic or enhanced PET units currently in operation or approved by the certificate of need program for operation.

(1) Applicant should have access to cyclotron-produced radiopharmaceuticals.

(2) Existing PET units within the area (whether basic or enhanced) must have been operating at a minimum of 1000 PET procedures during the most recent annual period as reported to the certificate of need program according to 203.13(6) “e.”

c. The provisions of subrule 203.13(3) shall be effective until June 30, 1995. Prior to that time the Iowa department of public health shall reconvene a task force to recommend continuing use of the need methodology outlined or develop a new or revised methodology to use in projecting future PET needs. The department shall promulgate a new subrule 203.13(3) accordingly.

**203.13(4) Quality and continuity.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) “g,” “h,” “i,” “k”)



*a.* The proposed PET unit must function as a component of a comprehensive inpatient or outpatient diagnostic service. The proposed PET unit must have the following modalities (and capabilities) on-site or through referral arrangements:

- (1) Computed tomography — (whole body)
- (2) Magnetic resonance imaging — (brain and whole body)
- (3) Nuclear medicine — (cardiac, SPECT)
- (4) Conventional radiography

*b.* The proposed PET unit must be located in a facility which has, either in-house or through referral arrangement, the resources necessary to treat most of the conditions diagnosed or confirmed by PET. The following medical specialties must be available during PET service hours on-site or by referral arrangements: cardiology, neurology, neurosurgery, oncology, and psychiatry.

*c.* A proposal to provide new or expanded PET must include satisfactory assurances that services will be offered in a physical environment that conforms to federal standards, manufacturer's specifications, and licensing agencies' requirements. The following areas are to be addressed:

- (1) Quality control and assurance of radiopharmaceutical production of generator or cyclotron-produced agents;
- (2) Quality control and assurance of PET tomograph and associated instrumentation;
- (3) Radiation protection and shielding;
- (4) Radioactive emissions to the environment.

*d.* The applicant must provide evidence that the proposed PET equipment has been certified for clinical use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or will be operated under an institutional review board whose membership is consistent with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regulations.

*e.* Applicants for PET shall document that the necessary qualified staff are available to operate the proposed unit. The applicants shall document the PET training and experience of the staff. The following minimum staff shall be available to the PET unit:

(1) One or more nuclear medicine imaging physician(s) available on a full-time basis to the PET unit who have been licensed by the state for the handling of medical radionuclides and whose primary responsibility for at least a one-year period prior to submission of the certificate of need application has been in acquisition and interpretation of tomographic images. This individual shall have knowledge of PET through training, experience, or documented postgraduate education. The individual shall also have training with a functional PET facility.

(2) Qualified PET radiochemist or radiopharmacist personnel, available to the facility during PET service hours, with at least one year of training and experience in the synthesis of short-lived positron-emitting radiopharmaceuticals. The individual(s) shall have experience in the testing of chemical, radiochemical, and radionuclidic purity of PET radiopharmaceutical syntheses.

(3) Qualified engineering and physics personnel, available to the facility during PET service hours, with training and experience in the operation and maintenance of the PET equipment.

(4) Qualified radiation safety personnel, available to the facility at all times, with training and experience in the handling of short-lived positron-emitting nuclides.

(5) Certified nuclear medicine technologists with expertise in computed tomographic nuclear medicine imaging procedures, at a staffing level consistent with the proposed center's expected PET service volume.

(6) Other appropriate physicians shall be available during PET service hours which may include certified nuclear medicine technologists, computer programmers, nurses, and radiochemistry technicians.

*f.* The applicant shall demonstrate how emergencies within the PET unit will be managed in conformity with accepted medical practice.

**203.13(5) Accessibility and acceptability.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1) "c," "d")

*a.* PET facilities should have adequate scheduled hours to avoid an excessive backlog of cases.

*b.* Selection of patients for clinical PET studies must guarantee equal access to all persons regardless of insurance coverage or ability to pay.

c. In addition to accepting patients from participating institutions, facilities performing clinical PET procedures shall accept appropriate referrals from other local providers. These patients shall be accommodated to the extent possible by extending the hours of service and by prioritizing patients according to standards of need and appropriateness rather than source of referral.

**203.13(6) Costs and financial feasibility.** (Iowa Code sections 135.64(1)“e,” “f,” “i,” “p”)

a. The applicant shall identify capital and operating costs associated with the proposed PET unit, identify sources of funding to cover those costs, and demonstrate that the project is financially feasible.

b. The applicant shall provide budgets for the first three years of operation, including documentation and justification of all assumptions used.

c. The applicant must document its projected average cost per procedure and charge per procedure for the first three years. Charges for PET should be reasonably related to service cost and comparable to PET charges at other facilities in the state.

d. The applicant shall verify whether the service is eligible for reimbursement by public and private third-party payers.

e. The applicant shall demonstrate that alternatives were considered and the proposed application is the most cost-effective and will accomplish the goals of the project.

f. To provide a data base for evaluation of subsequent PET applications by the health facilities council, applicants granted a certificate of need shall provide to the certificate of need office the following data upon request of the Iowa department of public health. The department will request the following data on an annual basis.

- (1) Total number of procedures performed;
- (2) Total number of inpatient procedures (indicate type of procedure);
- (3) Total number of outpatient procedures (indicate type of procedure);
- (4) Average charge per specific procedure;
- (5) Hours of operation of the PET unit;
- (6) Total revenues and expenses for the PET unit for the year.

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CHAPTER 204  
UNIFORM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS  
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**641—204.1(135) Reporting requirements<sup>1</sup>.** The following uniform reporting requirements are hereby required for hospitals and health care facilities:

**204.1(1)** Each hospital shall annually file with the Iowa Department of Public Health Form SHD-7.0-490 including the following information and schedules.

*a.* Hospital services provided and employment data by cost center. (Schedule H-A) Form SHD-7.0-490.

*b.* Hospitals shall identify revenues received from each class of payor during the fiscal year. (Schedule H-B) Form SHD-7.0-490.

*c.* Current rate schedule.

*d.* Financial report prepared by certified public accountant or the state auditor's office.

*e.* Annual report submitted to Medicare intermediary.

**204.1(2)** Each health care facility shall annually file with the department Form SHD-7.0-489 including the following information and schedules.

*a.* Current rate schedule.

*b.* Annual report submitted to department of human services. (Form AA-4036-0, AA-4038-0 or AA-4039-0).

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135.74.

<sup>1</sup> Form filed with administrative coordinator or from department.

**641—204.2(135) Initial reporting period.** Pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.74, each hospital and each health care facility shall file reports annually, within 120 days of the close of their fiscal year, for all years ended after July 1, 1979. Each hospital and each health care facility that has had a fiscal year ending after July 1, 1979, but before the adoption of these proposed administrative rules shall file the required reports within 120 days of the date of adoption. Hospitals and health care facilities that have fiscal years ending after the date of adoption and before July 1, 1980, shall file the required reports within 120 days of the close of their fiscal year.

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