BOARD OF PHARMACY

CHAPTER 550
DEFINITIONS

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481—550.1(124,147,155A,272C) Definitions. For the purposes of 481—Chapter 550 through Chapter 557, and in addition to the definitions found in Iowa Code sections 124.101 and 155A.3, the following definitions apply:

"3PL" means third-party logistics.

"ACPE" means the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

"AMDS" means an automated medication dispensing system.

"Board" means the board of pharmacy.

"Certified pharmacy technician" or *"certified technician"* means an individual who holds a valid current national certification and who has registered with the board as a certified pharmacy technician.

"CFR" means the United States Code of Federal Regulations.

"CGMP" means current good manufacturing practices.

"Change of ownership" occurs when the owner listed on the pharmacy's most recent application changes.

"Continuing education" means a structured educational activity that is applicable to the practice of pharmacy, that promotes problem solving and critical thinking, and that is designed or intended to support the continuing development of pharmacists while maintaining and enhancing their competence in the practice of pharmacy.

"CSA" means the Iowa controlled substances Act.

"DEA" means the United States Drug Enforcement Administration.

"DSCSA" means the federal Drug Supply Chain Security Act, Part II of the Drug Quality and Security Act, as codified in 21 U.S.C. §360eee-1 and 360eee-2 as created November 27, 2013.

"EMS program" means an emergency medical services program that is licensed with the bureau of emergency and trauma services.

"FDA" means the United States Food and Drug Administration.

"FPGEC" means the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee.

"NABP" means the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

"NAPLEX" means the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination.

"National pharmacy technician certification" means documentation of the successful completion of a program and examination, including renewal, for the certification of pharmacy technicians that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.

"NCDQS" means the National Coalition for Drug Quality and Security.

"NDC" means National Drug Code.

"Office use" means the utilization of a compounded preparation from an outsourcing facility for direct patient administration by a health care practitioner in the normal course of professional practice or for dispensing by a health care practitioner or a pharmacy pursuant to a patient-specific prescription for patient self-administration.

"PMP" means the Iowa prescription monitoring program.

"Preceptor" means an Iowa-licensed pharmacist in good standing.

"U.S.C." means the United States Code.

"USP" means the United States Pharmacopoeia.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 124.302, 147.76 and 147.80 and chapters 155A and 272C.

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