

657—11.1(124,147A,155A) Definitions. For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Ambulance service*” means any privately or publicly owned service program that utilizes ambulances in order to provide patient transportation and emergency medical services.

“*Board*” means the Iowa board of pharmacy examiners.

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

“*Drug*” means a substance as defined in Iowa Code section 155A.3(13) or a device as defined in Iowa Code section 155A.3(10).

“*Emergency medical care personnel*” or “*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 level, or other certification levels adopted by rule by the department and who has been issued a certificate by the department.

“*Emergency medical technician*” means any emergency medical technician or EMT as defined in 641—132.1(147A).

“*EMS*” means emergency medical services.

“*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.

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

“*Physician assistant*” means any individual licensed under 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 personnel providing emergency medical services.

“*Responsible individual*” means, in a medical director-based service, the medical director for the service; in a pharmacy-based service, the pharmacist in charge of the base pharmacy.

“*Service*” or “*service program*” 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 personnel when such personnel are providing emergency medical care.