

**481—53.15(135J) Spiritual counseling.** Spiritual counseling shall be available to all patients and their families.

**53.15(1)** Spiritual counseling shall:

- a.* Be based on the beliefs and values of the patient and family; and
- b.* Be provided in accordance with the interdisciplinary plan of care.

**53.15(2)** If spiritual counseling is provided through a working relationship with clergy or other spiritual counselors in the community, there shall be ongoing communication between that counselor and the interdisciplinary care team.

**53.15(3)** There shall be written and implemented policies and procedures regarding spiritual counseling.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135J.3(2).