

**641—135.2(147A) Trauma triage and transfer protocols.** Trauma triage and transfer protocols approved by the department assist personnel from each service program and trauma care facility. These protocols do 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 an unnecessary delay in patient care.

**135.2(1)** Adoption by reference. The 2021 National Guideline for the Field Triage of Injured Patients, as amended to August 1, 2024, is incorporated by reference and adopted as the Out-of-Hospital Trauma Triage Destination Decision Protocol for the state of Iowa.

**135.2(2)** Revisions and modifications to the protocols adopted by reference in subrule 135.2(1) may be made upon recommendation to and approval of the department.

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