

641—136.1(147A) Definitions. For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions apply:

“Health care providers” for the purpose of this chapter includes licensed physicians, advanced registered nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and registered nurses.

“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 and definitions determined by the department to be reported to the trauma registry on trauma patients meeting the inclusion criteria.

“Trauma care facility” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 147A.21.

“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.

“Trauma registry” means the data repository approved by the department to collect and analyze reportable patient data on the incidence, severity, and causes of trauma, and that serves as the central registry for brain and spinal cord injuries described in rule 641—21.1(135) and farm-related injuries.

“Trauma survey team” means a group of health care providers contracted by the department to assist in verifying trauma care facilities’ compliance with trauma criteria adopted by reference in 641—subrule 134.2(3).

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