

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

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

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“ICD9”* means International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision.

*“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 elements and definitions determined by the department and adopted by reference to be reported to the trauma registry or reported to a trauma care facility on trauma patients meeting the inclusion criteria.

*“Service program”* or *“service”* means any medical care ambulance service, or nontransport service that has received authorization by the department.

*“Trauma care facility”* means a hospital or emergency care facility which provides trauma care and has been verified by the department as having Resource (Level I), Regional (Level II), Area (Level III) or Community (Level IV) care capabilities and has been issued a certificate of verification pursuant to Iowa Code section 147A.23, subsection 2, paragraph “c.”

*“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 (ICD9 Codes E800.0 - E999.9).

*“Trauma registry”* means the data repository operated by the department to collect and analyze reportable patient data on the incidence, severity, and causes of trauma, including the central registry for brain and spinal cord injuries (IAC 641—21.1(135)) and farm-related injuries.