

441—160.1(234) Definitions.

“Adoptive family” means an approved family who has a special needs child placed in their family for the purpose of adopting the child, or a family with a special needs child in their family whose adoption has been finalized by the court.

“Applicant” means a private agency licensed in Iowa as a child-placing agency that offers a continuum of child welfare services to families and special needs children, or an individual provider involved in providing services to adoptive families and special needs children which makes application for a grant.

“Department” means the Iowa department of human services.

“Director” means the director of the department of human services.

“Grant review committee” means a five-member committee composed of two departmental employees and two private child-placing agency employees or supervisors who work with children and adoptive families, but are not currently applying for a grant, and one member with a fiscal background, responsible for reviewing and designating grant awards.

“Grantee” means an applicant who has been awarded a grant.

“Prospective adoptive family” means a family with an approved home study waiting placement of a special needs child into their family for the purpose of adoption.

“Special needs child” means a child as defined in 441—subrule 201.3(1).