

**801—10.1 (35D) Definitions relevant to Iowa Veterans Home.** The following definitions are unique to rules pertaining to the Iowa Veterans Home.

*“Acute alcoholic”* means any disturbance of emotional equilibrium caused by the consumption of alcohol resulting in behavior not currently controllable.

*“Acutely mentally ill”* means any disturbance of emotional equilibrium manifested in maladaptive behavior and impaired functioning caused by genetic, physical, chemical, biological, psychological, social or cultural factors which requires hospitalization.

*“Addicted to drugs”* means a state of dependency as medically determined resulting from excessive or prolonged use of drugs as defined in Iowa Code chapter 124.

*“Adjutant”* means the chief executive assistant of the commandant who functions as the chief operations officer.

*“Admissions committee”* means the committee appointed by the commandant to review applications to determine eligibility for admission and appropriate level and category of care.

*“Applicant”* means a person who is applying for admission into the Iowa Veterans Home.

*“Assets”* means items of value held by, or on behalf of, an applicant or member. Assets include, but are not limited to, cash, savings and checking accounts; stocks; bonds; contracts for sale of property; homestead or nonhomestead property. Nonrecurring windfall payments such as, but not limited to, inheritances; death benefits; insurance or tort claim settlements; and cash payments received from the conversion of a nonliquid asset to cash shall be considered assets upon receipt.

*“At once”* or *“timely”* means within ten calendar days.

*“Collaborative care plan”* means the plan of care developed for a member by the interdisciplinary resident care committee.

*“Commandant”* means the chief executive officer of the Iowa Veterans Home.

*“Commission”* means the Iowa commission of veterans affairs.

*“Continuously disruptive”* means any behavior, on a recurring basis, which has been documented by Iowa Veterans Home staff, that causes harm to a member or staff or conflicts with the member responsibilities set forth in subrule 10.12(1).

*“Countable asset”* means an asset to be considered in calculation of member support obligation.

*“Dangerous to self or others”* means any activity by a member which would result in injury to the member or others.

*“Dependent”* means a person for whose financial support an applicant or member is legally responsible or obligated.

*“Director of admissions”* means the public service executive responsible for the admissions process, benefits programming, and member financial affairs.

*“Director of resident and family services”* means the administrator responsible for social work services and chaplain services for members.

*“Diversion”* means income that is transferred to a spouse before the member support is determined.

*“DVA”* means the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

*“Free time”* means 12 days of leave time each calendar year for which the member is not charged for care during absence.

*“Full support”* means the maximum daily rate of support times the billable days of care received in any month less any offsets.

*“Gold Star parent”* means a parent whose child died while serving in the armed forces of the United States.

*“Honorable discharge”* means separation or retirement from active military service. The veteran must be eligible for medical care in the DVA system (excluding financial eligibility). Honorable discharge includes general discharges under honorable conditions.

*“Income”* means money gained by labor or service, or money paid periodically to an applicant or member. Income includes, but is not limited to, disability, retirement pensions or benefits; interest, dividends, payments from long-term care insurance, or other income received from investments; income from property rentals; certain moneys related to real estate contracts; earnings from regular employment or self-employment enterprises.

*“Interdisciplinary resident care committee”* or *“IRCC”* means the member, a social worker, a registered nurse, a dietitian, a medical provider, a recreation specialist and other staff, as appropriate, who are involved in reviewing a member’s assessment data and developing a collaborative care plan for the individual member.

*“IVH”* means the Iowa Veterans Home.

*“Legal representative”* for purposes of applicant or member personal and care decisions means durable power of attorney for health care, guardian, or next-of-kin (spouse, adult children, parents, adult siblings), as provided in Iowa Code chapters 144A, 144B, and 633. For applicant or member financial decisions, *“legal representative”* means conservator, power of attorney, fiduciary or representative payee.

*“Medical provider”* means a doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine who is licensed to practice in the state of Iowa. Except as defined by Iowa law, a medical provider also means an advanced registered nurse practitioner or physician assistant who is licensed to practice in the state of Iowa.

*“Member”* means a patient or resident of IVH.

*“Member support”* means the dollar amount which is billed monthly to the member or legal representative for the member’s care.

*“PASARR”* means preadmission screening and annual resident review.

*“Resource”* means assets and income.

*“Spouse”* means a person of the opposite sex who is the legal or common-law wife or husband of a veteran.

*“Surviving spouse”* means a person of the opposite sex who is the legal or common-law widow or widower of a veteran.

*“Therapeutic activity”* means an activity that is considered as treatment. A therapist shall determine that a particular activity is beneficial to the well-being of a resident and shall include this determination in the resident’s plan of care.

*“Veteran”* means a person who served in the active military and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable. Honorable and general discharges qualify a person as a veteran. The veteran must be eligible for medical care in the DVA system (excluding financial eligibility).

In addition, veteran includes a person who served in the merchant marine or as a civil service crew member between December 7, 1941, and August 15, 1945.

*“Voluntary discharge”* means a member wishes to terminate the member’s association with IVH on a permanent basis. This includes discharge for medical reasons which have been approved by a qualified medical provider. All other discharges are involuntary.

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