

**641—137.2(147A) Initial trauma education requirements.** Trauma education is required of physicians, physician assistants, advanced registered nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses who are identified or defined as trauma team members by a trauma care facility and who participate directly in the initial resuscitation of the trauma patient.

**137.2(1) General requirements for initial trauma education.**

*a.* Completion of initial trauma education shall be done within three years of the trauma care facility's initial verification or within one year of the practitioner's joining the trauma care facility's trauma team.

*b.* Trauma nursing course objectives (2007) are incorporated and adopted by reference for all trauma care facilities. For any differences which may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

*c.* Trauma nursing course objectives are available from the Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services (BETS), Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the BETS Web site (<http://idph.iowa.gov/BETS/Trauma>).

**137.2(2) Specific requirements for initial trauma education for each provider category are as follows:**

*a.* Physicians, PAs and ARNPs shall comply with education criteria specific to the level for which the trauma care facility is verified according to the "Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient 2014" (6th edition) published by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma.

*b.* RNs and LPNs: successful completion of trauma nursing course objectives (2007) recommended by TSAC.

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