

4680.0100 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** Definitions for parts 4680.0100 to 4680.1300 are as follows in subparts 2 to 6.

Subp. 2. **Grievance mechanism.** "Grievance mechanism" means grievance and/or complaint procedures.

Subp. 3. **Hospital.** "Hospital" means any entity licensed as such pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, sections 144.50 to 144.56.

Subp. 4. **Outpatient surgery center.** "Outpatient surgery center" means a freestanding facility organized for the specific purpose of providing elective outpatient surgery for preexamined prediagnosed low risk patients. Services provided at an outpatient surgery center shall be limited to surgical procedures which utilize local or general anesthesia and which do not require overnight inpatient care. "Outpatient surgery center" does not mean emergency medical services, or physician or dentist offices.

Subp. 5. **Patient.** "Patient" means an individual in or admitted to a hospital or outpatient surgery center for the purpose of prevention of disease, medical diagnosis, or medical treatment. The term "patient" includes inpatient, outpatient, and emergency room patient.

Subp. 6. **Representative.** "Representative" means a person designated by the patient as a responsible party, a parent of a minor, a guardian, or one who is in loco parentis to a patient unable to act for himself or herself.

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