

WAC 246-933-310 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply in WAC 246-933-310 through 246-933-350 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Antiseptic surgery" means the technique used when care is taken to avoid bacterial contamination but the precautions are not as thorough and extensive as in aseptic surgery. Surgeons and surgical assistants wear clean attire and sterile gloves, and the patient is appropriately draped. A separate sterile surgical pack shall be used for each animal.

(2) "Aseptic surgery" means the technique used when everything that comes in contact with the wound is sterile and precautions are taken to ensure such sterility during the procedure. These precautions include, but are not limited to, such things as the surgery room itself, sterilization procedures, scrubbing hands and arms, sterile gloves, caps and masks, sterile long-sleeved gowns, and sterile draping and operative techniques.

(3) "Client" means the patient's owner, owner's agent, or other person presenting the patient for care.

(4) "Mobile clinic" means a vehicle, including a camper, motor home, trailer or mobile home, used as a veterinary medical facility. A mobile clinic is not required for house calls or farm calls.

(5) "Treatment" means any action or procedure taken to impact an animal's physical, mental, or behavioral health in the pursuit of preventing or resolving disease, maintaining or improving quality of life, or providing end of life care. This includes, but is not limited to, the prescription, recommendation, issuance, or administration of any drug, veterinary feed directive, vitamins, minerals, or supplements.

(6) "Veterinary medical facility" means any premise, unit, structure or vehicle where any animal is either received or confined, or both, to be examined, diagnosed or treated medically, surgically or prophylactically, as defined in RCW 18.92.010.

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