

**WAC 137-78-010 Definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter the following words shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Assault" means an unauthorized touching, including spitting and/or throwing a substance/object, striking, cutting, or shooting by an offender resulting in physical injury to an employee.

(2) "Assault benefits" means reimbursement to employees of some of their costs attributable to being the victim of an offender assault.

(3) "Assistant secretary" means the executive head of one of the department's organizational divisions.

(4) "Department" means the department of corrections.

(5) "Employee" means any individual who is appointed by the secretary, and who serves under the supervision and authority of the department. The term "employee" shall not include an individual performing personal services under contract or offenders.

(6) "Deputy secretary" is the deputy secretary for the department or his/her designee.

(7) "Doctor" means a person licensed to practice one or more of the following professions: Medicine and surgery; osteopathic; chiropractic; drugless therapeutics; podiatry; dentistry; optometry.

(8) "Offender" means any person in the custody of or subject to the jurisdiction of the department of corrections.

(9) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of corrections or the secretary's designee.

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