

WAC 182-55-010 Definitions. When used in this chapter:

(1) "Advisory group" as defined in RCW 70.14.080 means a group established under RCW 70.14.110 (2)(c).

(2) "Centralized, internet-based communication tool" means the health care authority's health technology assessment program internet web pages established under RCW 70.14.130(1).

(3) "Committee" as defined in RCW 70.14.080 means the health technology clinical committee established under RCW 70.14.090.

(4) "Coverage determination" as defined in RCW 70.14.080 means a determination of the circumstances, if any, under which a health technology will be included as a covered benefit in a state purchased health care program.

(5) "Decisions made under the federal medicare program" means national coverage determinations issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services stating whether and to what extent medicare covers specific services, procedures, or technologies.

(6) "Director" means the director of the Washington state health care authority under chapter 41.05 RCW.

(7) "Health technology" as defined in RCW 70.14.080 means medical and surgical devices and procedures, medical equipment, and diagnostic tests. Health technologies do not include prescription drugs governed by RCW 70.14.050.

(8) "Health technology assessment" means a report produced by a contracted, evidence-based, technology assessment center or other appropriate entity, as provided for in RCW 70.14.100(4), based on a systematic review of evidence of a technology's safety, efficacy, and cost-effectiveness.

(9) "Participating agency" as defined in RCW 70.14.080 means the department of social and health services, the state health care authority, and the department of labor and industries.

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