

**WAC 296-62-51020 Definitions.** The following definitions apply to this section:

**Smoke evacuation system.** Equipment designed to capture and neutralize surgical smoke at the point of origin, before the smoke makes contact with the eyes or the respiratory tract of occupants in the room. Smoke evacuation systems may be integrated with the energy generating device or separate from the energy generating device.

**Surgical smoke.** The by-product that results from contact with tissue by a tool that performs a surgical function using heat, laser, electricity, or other form of energy.

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