

**WAC 246-440-010 Definitions.** The definitions in this section apply throughout the chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Health care-associated infection" means a localized or systemic condition that results from adverse reaction to the presence of an infectious agent or its toxins and that was not present or incubating at the time of admission to the hospital.

(2) "Hospital" means a health care facility licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW.

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