**148.7802 DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** The definitions in this section apply to this chapter.

Subd. 2. **Approved continuing education program.** "Approved continuing education program" means a continuing education program that meets the maintenance of competence requirements in section 148.7812 and is approved by the board.

Subd. 3. **Approved education program.** "Approved education program" means an education program offered by an accredited university, college, or other postsecondary institution that, at the time the student completes the program, makes the student eligible to attain national certification as an athletic trainer from the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer or its recognized successor.

Subd. 4. MS 2024 [Repealed, 2026 c 115 art 2 s 6]

Subd. 5. MS 2024 [Repealed, 2026 c 115 art 2 s 6]

Subd. 6. **Athletic trainer.** "Athletic trainer" means a person who engages in athletic training under section 148.7806 and is licensed under section 148.7808. Athletic trainers practice in health care settings and serve patient populations as identified by the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer or its recognized successor and by approved education programs.

Subd. 6a. **Athletic training.** "Athletic training" means the following actions performed for the purpose of treating emergent, acute, and chronic injuries and nonorthopedic conditions and performed within the professional training and experience provided by an approved education program and included in an athletic trainer credentialing examination:

(1) risk reduction, wellness, and health literacy;

(2) assessment, evaluation, and diagnosis;

(3) critical incident management;

(4) therapeutic intervention; and

(5) health care administration and professional responsibility.

Subd. 7. **Board.** "Board" means the Board of Medical Practice.

Subd. 8. **Credential.** "Credential" means a license, permit, certification, registration, or other evidence of qualification or authorization to practice as an athletic trainer in this state or any other state.

Subd. 9. **Credentialing examination.** "Credentialing examination" means an examination administered by the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer or its recognized successor.

Subd. 10. **Primary employment site.** "Primary employment site" means the institution, organization, corporation, or sports team where the athletic trainer is employed for the practice of athletic training.

Subd. 11. **Primary physician.** "Primary physician" means a licensed medical physician who serves as a medical consultant to an athletic trainer.

**History:** *1993 c 232 s 3; 2014 c 291 art 4 s 14,15; 2018 c 143 s 1-4; 2019 c 50 art 1 s 51; 2026 c 115 art 2 s 1,2*