



Ohio Revised Code Section 3727.70 Definitions.

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As used in this section and sections 3727.71 to 3727.79 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Admission" means a patient's admission to a hospital on an inpatient basis by a health care professional specified in division (B)(1) of section 3727.06 of the Revised Code.

(B) "After-care" means assistance provided by a lay caregiver to a patient in the patient's residence after the patient's discharge and includes only the caregiving needs of the patient at the time of discharge.

(C) "Discharge" means the discharge or release of a patient who has been admitted to a hospital on an inpatient basis from the hospital directly to the patient's residence. "Discharge" does not include the transfer of a patient to another facility or setting.

(D) "Discharging health care professional" means a health care professional who is authorized by division (B)(1) of section 3727.06 of the Revised Code to admit a patient to a hospital and who has assumed responsibility for directing the creation of the patient's discharge plan under section 3727.75 of the Revised Code.

(E) "Guardian" has the same meaning as in section 2133.01 of the Revised Code.

(F) "Lay caregiver" means an adult designated under section 3727.71 of the Revised Code to provide after-care to a patient.

(G) "Lay caregiver designation" means the designation of a lay caregiver for a patient as described in section 3727.71 of the Revised Code.

(H)(1) "Patient's residence" means either of the following:



- (a) The dwelling that a patient or the patient's guardian considers to be the patient's home;
 - (b) The dwelling of a relative or other individual who has agreed to temporarily house the patient following discharge and who has communicated this fact to hospital staff.
- (2) "Patient's residence" does not include any of the following:
- (a) A hospital;
 - (b) A nursing home, residential care facility, county home, or district home, as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code;
 - (c) A veterans' home operated under Chapter 5907. of the Revised Code;
 - (d) A residential facility, as defined in section 5119.34 of the Revised Code;
 - (e) A residential facility, as defined in section 5123.19 of the Revised Code;
 - (f) A hospice care program, as defined in section 3712.01 of the Revised Code;
 - (g) A freestanding inpatient rehabilitation facility licensed under section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;
 - (h) Another facility similar to one specified in this division.