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For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply in addition to those found in Health and Safety Code section 127400:

(a)

"Act" means Health and Safety Code sections   127400 through 127446, inclusive.

(b)

"Charity care" means the following: (1) Free   health services provided without expectation of payment to persons who meet the   hospital's criteria for financial assistance and are unable to pay for all or a   portion of the services. Charity care does not include bad debt defined as   uncollectible charges that the hospital recorded as revenue but wrote off due to a   patient's failure to pay; and/or (2) Reduced cost health services or free health services provided to eligible patients, as outlined in the hospital's charity care policy.

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outlined in the hospital's charity care policy.

(c)

"Director" means the Director of the Department of Health Care Access and Information, as described in Health and Safety Code section 127005.

(d)

"Discount payment" means that part of the hospital's charges that a financially qualified patient is expected to pay in accordance with Health and Safety Code Sections 127405(b) and 127405(d).

(e)

"Policy" or "policies" means document(s) the hospital is required to submit pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 127435(a).

(f)

"Working days" means Monday through Friday but shall not include State Holidays.