In the context of the Proposal for a Directive on Patients’ Rights in Cross-border Healthcare, the AEMH adopted the following definition of hospital care:

_Hospital care is_

*healthcare which requires overnight accommodation of the patient in question for at least one night*

_and/or_

*requires use of dedicated, cost-intensive medical infrastructure or medical equipment for medical acts presenting a particular risk for the patient or the population, provided by a team of highly specialized healthcare professionals._