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*Session of 2026*

**SENATE BILL No. 430**

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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1 AN ACT concerning health and health professions; relating to physical  
2 therapists; allowing licensed physical therapists to perform certain  
3 capillary blood tests.

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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, "point-of-care testing"  
7 means laboratory-based capillary assays. "Point-of-care testing" does not  
8 include point-of-care ultrasound or other imaging modalities and  
9 venipuncture or other procedures requiring vascular access beyond the use  
10 of a fingerstick or other capillary methods.

11 (b) Physical therapists may perform point-of-care laboratory testing  
12 limited to assays classified by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
13 services as ~~CLIA-waived~~ **CLIA-waived** tests. Permitted tests include, ~~but~~  
14 ~~are not limited to~~, lactate and blood glucose if used for the purpose of  
15 obtaining information related to muscle metabolism, exercise tolerance or  
16 rehabilitation status. Such testing shall not include the diagnostic use of  
17 point-of-care testing for medical conditions outside the scope of physical  
18 therapy practice.

19 (c) A physical therapist or the facility where testing is performed shall  
20 obtain and maintain a CLIA certificate of waiver in accordance with  
21 federal law. Testing shall be performed only in accordance with  
22 manufacturer instructions, including training requirements for staff  
23 performing such tests.

24 (d) Results of point-of-care testing shall be used as adjunct  
25 information to support physical therapy evaluation and treatment planning  
26 or to comply with a physician's order.

27 (e) Point-of-care laboratory testing by physical therapists shall not be  
28 construed as granting independent authority to diagnose medical  
29 conditions.

30 (f) Physical therapists shall not bill third-party payers for point-of-  
31 care laboratory testing as stand-alone reimbursable services. Nothing in  
32 this section shall prohibit a physical therapist or facility from charging a  
33 patient for the reasonable cost of testing supplies used in connection with  
34 such testing.

1       **(g) A physical therapist shall not perform point-of-care testing**  
2 **unless a patient or the patient's representative provides written**  
3 **consent. Written consent shall include:**

4       **(1) Disclosure of costs to the patient or the patient's**  
5 **representative; and**

6       **(2) an acknowledgment of financial responsibility from the**  
7 **patient or the patient's representative.**

8       Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
9 publication in the statute book.