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By Committee on Health and Human Services

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AN ACT concerning advanced practice registered nurses; amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-468, 65-1113, 65-1130 and 65-1626 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-1113 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1113. When used in this act and the act of which this section is amendatory:

(a) "Board" means the board of nursing.

(b) "Diagnosis" in the context of nursing practice means that identification of and discrimination between physical and psychosocial signs and symptoms essential to effective execution and management of the nursing regimen and shall be construed*, with the exception of an advanced practice registered nurse,* as distinct from a medical diagnosis.

(c) "Treatment" means the selection and performance of those therapeutic measures essential to effective execution and management of the nursing regimen, and any prescribed medical regimen.

(d) *Practice of nursing.* (1) The practice of professional nursing as performed by a registered professional nurse for compensation or gratuitously, except as permitted by K.S.A. 65-1124, and amendments thereto, means the process in which substantial specialized knowledge derived from the biological, physical, and behavioral sciences is applied to: the care, diagnosis, treatment, counsel and health teaching of persons who are experiencing changes in the normal health processes or who require assistance in the maintenance of health or the prevention or management of illness, injury or infirmity; administration, supervision or teaching of the process as defined in this section; and the execution of the medical regimen as prescribed by a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery ~~or~~*,* a person licensed to practice dentistry *or by a person licensed to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse*. (2) The practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse means the performance for compensation or gratuitously, except as permitted by K.S.A. 65-1124, and any amendments thereto, of tasks and responsibilities defined in part (1) of this subsection (d) which tasks and responsibilities are based on acceptable educational preparation within the framework of supportive and restorative care under the direction of a registered professional nurse, a person

licensed to practice medicine and surgery ~~or~~, a person licensed to practice dentistry *or by a person licensed to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse. (3) The practice of nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse means the performance for compensation or gratuitously, except as permitted by K.S.A. 65-1124, and amendments thereto, the process in which advanced knowledge derived from the biological, physical and behavioral sciences is applied to direct and indirect care, including creating, diagnosing, managing, treating, prescribing and executing a health care plan; administering pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic interventions; counseling and health teaching of persons who are experiencing changes in the normal health processes or who require assistance in the maintenance of health; or the prevention or management of illness, injury or infirmity; administration, supervising or teaching of the process as defined in this section and within the advanced practice registered nurse's role. Within the role of the advanced practice registered nurse, the advanced practice registered nurse may serve as a primary care provider of a health care team.*

(e) A "professional nurse" means a person who is licensed to practice professional nursing as defined in part (1) of subsection (d) of this section.

(f) A "practical nurse" means a person who is licensed to practice practical nursing as defined in part (2) of subsection (d) of this section.

(g) "Advanced practice registered nurse" or "APRN" means a professional nurse who holds a license from the board to function as a professional nurse in an advanced role, and this advanced role shall be defined by rules and regulations adopted by the board in accordance with K.S.A. 65-1130, and amendments thereto.

(h) "Patient" means, when used in conjunction with the practice of an advanced practice registered nurse, a recipient of care, which may be an individual, family, group or community.

(i) "Primary care" means the provision of integrated, accessible health care services by health care providers who are accountable for addressing a majority of personal health care needs, developing a sustained partnership with patients and practicing in the context of family and community. Within the role of the advanced practice registered nurse, the advanced practice registered nurse may serve as a primary care provider and lead health care teams.

(j) "Consultation" means, when used in conjunction with the practice of an advanced practice registered nurse, the discussion with another health care professional for the purpose of obtaining information, advice or direction in order to provide enhanced health care.

(k) "Treatment" means, when used in conjunction with the practice of an advanced practice registered nurse, the planning, diagnosing, ordering and initiating of a therapeutic regimen; including, but not limited to,

pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic inteventions. This also includes prescribing medical devices and equipment, nutrition, diagnostic and supportive services including, but not limited to, home health care, hospice, physical and occupational therapy.

(l) "Collaborative relationship" means the cooperative working relationship of an advanced practice registered nurse with another licensed health care professional in the planning and provision of health care, each responsible for their particular area of expertise.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-1130 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1130. (a) No professional nurse shall announce or represent to the public that such person is an advanced practice registered nurse unless such professional nurse has complied with requirements established by the board and holds a valid license as an advanced practice registered nurse in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(b) The board shall establish standards and requirements for any professional nurse who desires to obtain licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse. Such standards and requirements shall include, but not be limited to, standards and requirements relating to the education of advanced practice registered nurses. The board may give such examinations and secure such assistance as it deems necessary to determine the qualifications of applicants.

(c) The board shall adopt rules and regulations applicable to advanced practice registered nurses which:

(1) Establish roles and identify titles and abbreviations of advanced practice registered nurses which are consistent with *advanced* nursing practice specialties recognized by the nursing profession.

(2) Establish education and qualifications necessary for licensure for each role of advanced practice registered nurse established by the board at a level adequate to assure the competent performance by advanced practice registered nurses of functions and procedures which advanced practice registered nurses are authorized to perform *including, but not limited to, pharmacology education requirements as may be necessary to protect the public health and safety.* Advanced practice registered nursing is based on knowledge and skills acquired in basic nursing education, licensure as a registered nurse and graduation from or completion of a master's or higher degree in one of the advanced practice registered nurse roles approved by the board of nursing.

(3) Define the role of advanced practice registered nurses and establish limitations and restrictions on such role. The board shall adopt a definition of the role under this subsection (c)(3) which is consistent with the education and qualifications required to obtain a license as an advanced practice registered nurse, which protects the public from persons performing functions and procedures as advanced practice registered

nurses for which they lack adequate education and qualifications and which authorizes advanced practice registered nurses to perform acts generally recognized by the profession of nursing as capable of being performed, in a manner consistent with the public health and safety, by persons with postbasic education in nursing. In defining such role the board shall consider: (A) The education required for a licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse; (B) the type of nursing practice and preparation in specialized advanced practice skills involved in each role of advanced practice registered nurse established by the board; (C) the scope and limitations of advanced practice nursing prescribed by national advanced practice organizations; ~~and~~ (D) acts recognized by the nursing profession as appropriate to be performed by persons with postbasic education in nursing*; and (E) the certifying standards established by a national organization whose certifying standards are approved by the board as equal to or greater than the corresponding standards established under this act for obtaining authorization to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the specific role*.

(d) ~~An advanced practice registered nurse may prescribe drugs pursuant to a written protocol as authorized by a responsible physician. Each written protocol shall contain a precise and detailed medical plan of care for each classification of disease or injury for which the advanced practice registered nurse is authorized to prescribe and shall specify all drugs which may be prescribed by the advanced practice registered nurse.~~ *The board of nursing shall authorize prescribing and ordering authority through the advanced practice registered nurse license. Advanced practice registered nurses are authorized to prescribe, procure and administer legend and controlled substances pursuant to applicable state and federal laws.* Any ~~written~~ prescription order *written by an advance practice registered nurse* shall include the name, address and telephone number of the ~~responsible physician~~ *advance practice registered nurse*. The advanced practice registered nurse may not dispense drugs, but may request, receive and sign for professional samples and may distribute professional samples to patients ~~pursuant to a written protocol as authorized by a responsible physician~~. In order to prescribe controlled substances, the advanced practice registered nurse shall (1) register with the federal drug enforcement administration; and (2) ~~notify the board of the name and address of the responsible physician or physicians. In no case shall the scope of authority of the advanced practice registered nurse exceed the normal and customary practice of the responsible physician.~~ *notify the board of nursing of the federal drug enforcement administration registration. An advanced practice registered nurse shall comply with the federal drug enforcement administraiton requirements related to controlled substances.* An advanced practice registered nurse certified in

the role of registered nurse anesthetist while functioning as a registered nurse anesthetist under K.S.A. 65-1151 to 65-1164, inclusive, and amendments thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 65-1151 to 65-1164, inclusive, and amendments thereto, with respect to drugs and anesthetic agents and shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection. ~~For the purposes of this subsection, "responsible physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery in Kansas who has accepted responsibility for the protocol and the actions of the advanced practice registered nurse when prescribing drugs.~~

(e) *The advanced practice registered nurse is accountable to patients, the nursing profession and the board for complying with the requirements of this act and is responsible for recognizing limits of knowledge and experience, planning for the management of situations beyond the advanced practice registered nurse's expertise and consulting or referring patients to other health care professionals as appropriate. Advanced practice registered nurses may refer patients to health care agencies, health care providers and community resources.*

(f) Any advanced practice registered nurse with less than one year of licensed, active, advanced practice nursing in an initial role shall complete a transition to practice. The advanced practice registered nurse shall complete a transition to practice period of 1,200 hours or one year, whichever is less, while maintaining a collaborative relationship for prescribing medications with either a licensed advanced practice registered nurse with prescriptive authority, a licensed physician or be employed by a clinic or hospital that has a medical director who is a licensed advanced practice registered nurse or licensed physician. The advanced practice registered nurse will be responsible for completing the required documentation for the transition to practice as specified by the board in rules and regulations. The board shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the transition to practice. Five years after the enactment of the transition to practice, the board shall do an audit of the transitional requirement to examine whether it adds meaningful protection to the public. If it finds no added protection, the board, within the stated rules and regulations, may sunset the transition requirement.

(g) Advanced practice registered nurses may prescribe and order medical devices and equipment, treatments, nutrition, diagnostic and supportive devices.

(h) When a provision of law or rule and regulation requires a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit or endorsement by a physician, that requirement may be fulfilled by a licensed advanced practice registered nurse working within the scope of practice of such nurse's respective role.

(i) The advanced practice registered nurse shall provide proof of malpractice insurance coverage at time of licensure and renewal of license. The board may exempt or establish lesser liability insurance requirements for advanced practice registered nurses as written in rules and regulations.

(j) As used in this section, "drug" means those articles and substances defined as drugs in K.S.A. 65-1626 and 65-4101, and amendments thereto.

~~(f)~~*(k)* A person registered to practice as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in the state of Kansas immediately prior to the effective date of this act shall be deemed to be licensed to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse under this act and such person shall not be required to file an original application for licensure under this act. Any application for registration filed which has not been granted prior to the effective date of this act shall be processed as an application for licensure under this act.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-468 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-468. As used in K.S.A. 65-468 to 65-474, inclusive, and amendments thereto:

(a) "Health care provider" means any person licensed or otherwise authorized by law to provide health care services in this state or a professional corporation organized pursuant to the professional corporation law of Kansas by persons who are authorized by law to form such corporation and who are health care providers as defined by this subsection, or an officer, employee or agent thereof, acting in the course and scope of employment or agency.

(b) "Member" means any hospital, emergency medical service, local health department, home health agency, adult care home, medical clinic, mental health center or clinic or nonemergency transportation system.

(c) "Mid-level practitioner" means *an advanced practice registered nurse who is licensed pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1131, and amendments thereto, and who has authority to prescribe drugs under K.S.A. 65-1130, and amendments thereto, or* a physician assistant ~~or advanced practice registered nurse~~ who has entered into a written protocol with a rural health network physician.

(d) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery.

(e) "Rural health network" means an alliance of members including at least one critical access hospital and at least one other hospital which has developed a comprehensive plan submitted to and approved by the secretary of health and environment regarding patient referral and transfer; the provision of emergency and nonemergency transportation among members; the development of a network-wide emergency services plan; and the development of a plan for sharing patient information and services between hospital members concerning medical staff credentialing, risk

management, quality assurance and peer review.

(f) "Critical access hospital" means a member of a rural health network which makes available twenty-four hour emergency care services; provides not more than 25 acute care inpatient beds or in the case of a facility with an approved swing-bed agreement a combined total of extended care and acute care beds that does not exceed 25 beds; provides acute inpatient care for a period that does not exceed, on an annual average basis, 96 hours per patient; and provides nursing services under the direction of a licensed professional nurse and continuous licensed professional nursing services for not less than 24 hours of every day when any bed is occupied or the facility is open to provide services for patients unless an exemption is granted by the licensing agency pursuant to rules and regulations. The critical access hospital may provide any services otherwise required to be provided by a full-time, on-site dietician, pharmacist, laboratory technician, medical technologist and radiological technologist on a part-time, off-site basis under written agreements or arrangements with one or more providers or suppliers recognized under medicare. The critical access hospital may provide inpatient services by a physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or a clinical nurse specialist subject to the oversight of a physician who need not be present in the facility. In addition to the facility's 25 acute beds or swing beds, or both, the critical access hospital may have a psychiatric unit or a rehabilitation unit, or both. Each unit shall not exceed 10 beds and neither unit will count toward the 25-bed limit, nor will these units be subject to the average 96-hour length of stay restriction.

(g) "Hospital" means a hospital other than a critical access hospital which has entered into a written agreement with at least one critical access hospital to form a rural health network and to provide medical or administrative supporting services within the limit of the hospital's capabilities.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-1626 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1626.For the purposes of this act:

(a) "Administer" means the direct application of a drug, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion or any other means, to the body of a patient or research subject by:

(1) A practitioner or pursuant to the lawful direction of a practitioner;

(2) the patient or research subject at the direction and in the presence of the practitioner; or

(3) a pharmacist as authorized in K.S.A. 65-1635a, and amendments thereto.

(b) "Agent" means an authorized person who acts on behalf of or at the direction of a manufacturer, distributor or dispenser but shall not include a common carrier, public warehouseman or employee of the carrier

or warehouseman when acting in the usual and lawful course of the carrier's or warehouseman's business.

(c) "Application service provider" means an entity that sells electronic prescription or pharmacy prescription applications as a hosted service where the entity controls access to the application and maintains the software and records on its server.

(d) "Authorized distributor of record" means a wholesale distributor with whom a manufacturer has established an ongoing relationship to distribute the manufacturer's prescription drug. An ongoing relationship is deemed to exist between such wholesale distributor and a manufacturer when the wholesale distributor, including any affiliated group of the wholesale distributor, as defined in section 1504 of the internal revenue code, complies with any one of the following: (1) The wholesale distributor has a written agreement currently in effect with the manufacturer evidencing such ongoing relationship; and (2) the wholesale distributor is listed on the manufacturer's current list of authorized distributors of record, which is updated by the manufacturer on no less than a monthly basis.

(e) "Board" means the state board of pharmacy created by K.S.A. 74-1603, and amendments thereto.

(f) "Brand exchange" means the dispensing of a different drug product of the same dosage form and strength and of the same generic name as the brand name drug product prescribed.

(g) "Brand name" means the registered trademark name given to a drug product by its manufacturer, labeler or distributor.

(h) "Chain pharmacy warehouse" means a permanent physical location for drugs or devices, or both, that acts as a central warehouse and performs intracompany sales or transfers of prescription drugs or devices to chain pharmacies that have the same ownership or control. Chain pharmacy warehouses must be registered as wholesale distributors.

(i) "Co-licensee" means a pharmaceutical manufacturer that has entered into an agreement with another pharmaceutical manufacturer to engage in a business activity or occupation related to the manufacture or distribution of a prescription drug and the national drug code on the drug product label shall be used to determine the identity of the drug manufacturer.

(j) "DEA" means the U.S. department of justice, drug enforcement administration.

(k) "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive or attempted transfer from one person to another of any drug whether or not an agency relationship exists.

(l) "Direct supervision" means the process by which the responsible pharmacist shall observe and direct the activities of a pharmacy student or

pharmacy technician to a sufficient degree to assure that all such activities are performed accurately, safely and without risk or harm to patients, and complete the final check before dispensing.

(m) "Dispense" means to deliver prescription medication to the ultimate user or research subject by or pursuant to the lawful order of a practitioner or pursuant to the prescription of a mid-level practitioner.

(n) "Dispenser" means a practitioner or pharmacist who dispenses prescription medication.

(o) "Distribute" means to deliver, other than by administering or dispensing, any drug.

(p) "Distributor" means a person who distributes a drug.

(q) "Drop shipment" means the sale, by a manufacturer, that manufacturer's co-licensee, that manufacturer's third party logistics provider, or that manufacturer's exclusive distributor, of the manufacturer's prescription drug, to a wholesale distributor whereby the wholesale distributor takes title but not possession of such prescription drug and the wholesale distributor invoices the pharmacy, the chain pharmacy warehouse, or other designated person authorized by law to dispense or administer such prescription drug, and the pharmacy, the chain pharmacy warehouse, or other designated person authorized by law to dispense or administer such prescription drug receives delivery of the prescription drug directly from the manufacturer, that manufacturer's co-licensee, that manufacturer's third party logistics provider, or that manufacturer's exclusive distributor, of such prescription drug. Drop shipment shall be part of the "normal distribution channel."

(r) "Drug" means: (1) Articles recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia, or other such official compendiums of the United States, or official national formulary, or any supplement of any of them; (2) articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of disease in man or other animals; (3) articles, other than food, intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of man or other animals; and (4) articles intended for use as a component of any articles specified in clause (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection; but does not include devices or their components, parts or accessories, except that the term "drug" shall not include amygdalin (laetrile) or any livestock remedy, if such livestock remedy had been registered in accordance with the provisions of article 5 of chapter 47 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, prior to its repeal.

(s) "Durable medical equipment" means technologically sophisticated medical devices that may be used in a residence, including the following: (1) Oxygen and oxygen delivery system; (2) ventilators; (3) respiratory disease management devices; (4) continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) devices; (5) electronic and computerized wheelchairs and seating

systems; (6) apnea monitors; (7) transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulator (TENS) units; (8) low air loss cutaneous pressure management devices; (9) sequential compression devices; (10) feeding pumps; (11) home phototherapy devices; (12) infusion delivery devices; (13) distribution of medical gases to end users for human consumption; (14) hospital beds; (15) nebulizers; or (16) other similar equipment determined by the board in rules and regulations adopted by the board.

(t) "Electronic prescription" means an electronically prepared prescription that is authorized and transmitted from the prescriber to the pharmacy by means of electronic transmission.

(u) "Electronic prescription application" means software that is used to create electronic prescriptions and that is intended to be installed on the prescriber's computers and servers where access and records are controlled by the prescriber.

(v) "Electronic signature" means a confidential personalized digital key, code, number or other method for secure electronic data transmissions which identifies a particular person as the source of the message, authenticates the signatory of the message and indicates the person's approval of the information contained in the transmission.

(w) "Electronic transmission" means the transmission of an electronic prescription, formatted as an electronic data file, from a prescriber's electronic prescription application to a pharmacy's computer, where the data file is imported into the pharmacy prescription application.

(x) "Electronically prepared prescription" means a prescription that is generated using an electronic prescription application.

(y) "Exclusive distributor" means any entity that: (1) Contracts with a manufacturer to provide or coordinate warehousing, wholesale distribution or other services on behalf of a manufacturer and who takes title to that manufacturer's prescription drug, but who does not have general responsibility to direct the sale or disposition of the manufacturer's prescription drug; (2) is registered as a wholesale distributor under the pharmacy act of the state of Kansas; and (3) to be considered part of the normal distribution channel, must be an authorized distributor of record.

(z) "Facsimile transmission" or "fax transmission" means the transmission of a digital image of a prescription from the prescriber or the prescriber's agent to the pharmacy. "Facsimile transmission" includes, but is not limited to, transmission of a written prescription between the prescriber's fax machine and the pharmacy's fax machine; transmission of an electronically prepared prescription from the prescriber's electronic prescription application to the pharmacy's fax machine, computer or printer; or transmission of an electronically prepared prescription from the prescriber's fax machine to the pharmacy's fax machine, computer or printer.

(aa) "Generic name" means the established chemical name or official name of a drug or drug product.

(bb) (1) "Institutional drug room" means any location where prescription-only drugs are stored and from which prescription-only drugs are administered or dispensed and which is maintained or operated for the purpose of providing the drug needs of:

(A) Inmates of a jail or correctional institution or facility;

(B) residents of a juvenile detention facility, as defined by the revised Kansas code for care of children and the revised Kansas juvenile justice code;

(C) students of a public or private university or college, a community college or any other institution of higher learning which is located in Kansas;

(D) employees of a business or other employer; or

(E) persons receiving inpatient hospice services.

(2) "Institutional drug room" does not include:

(A) Any registered pharmacy;

(B) any office of a practitioner; or

(C) a location where no prescription-only drugs are dispensed and no prescription-only drugs other than individual prescriptions are stored or administered.

(cc) "Intermediary" means any technology system that receives and transmits an electronic prescription between the prescriber and the pharmacy.

(dd) "Intracompany transaction" means any transaction or transfer between any division, subsidiary, parent or affiliated or related company under common ownership or control of a corporate entity, or any transaction or transfer between co-licensees of a co-licensed product.

(ee) "Medical care facility" shall have the meaning provided in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto, except that the term shall also include facilities licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3307b, and amendments thereto, except community mental health centers and facilities for people with intellectual disability.

(ff) "Manufacture" means the production, preparation, propagation, compounding, conversion or processing of a drug either directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of natural origin, independently by means of chemical synthesis or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis and includes any packaging or repackaging of the drug or labeling or relabeling of its container, except that this term shall not include the preparation or compounding of a drug by an individual for the individual's own use or the preparation, compounding, packaging or labeling of a drug by:

(1) A practitioner or a practitioner's authorized agent incident to such

practitioner's administering or dispensing of a drug in the course of the practitioner's professional practice;

(2) a practitioner, by a practitioner's authorized agent or under a practitioner's supervision for the purpose of, or as an incident to, research, teaching or chemical analysis and not for sale; or

(3) a pharmacist or the pharmacist's authorized agent acting under the direct supervision of the pharmacist for the purpose of, or incident to, the dispensing of a drug by the pharmacist.

(gg) "Manufacturer" means a person licensed or approved by the FDA to engage in the manufacture of drugs and devices.

(hh) "Mid-level practitioner" means an advanced practice registered nurse issued a license pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1131, and amendments thereto, who has authority to prescribe drugs ~~pursuant to a written protocol with a responsible physician~~ under K.S.A. 65-1130, and amendments thereto, or a physician assistant licensed pursuant to the physician assistant licensure act who has authority to prescribe drugs pursuant to a written protocol with a responsible physician under K.S.A. 65-28a08, and amendments thereto.

(ii) "Normal distribution channel" means a chain of custody for a prescription-only drug that goes from a manufacturer of the prescription-only drug, from that manufacturer to that manufacturer's co-licensed partner, from that manufacturer to that manufacturer's third-party logistics provider, or from that manufacturer to that manufacturer's exclusive distributor, directly or by drop shipment, to:

(1) A pharmacy to a patient or to other designated persons authorized by law to dispense or administer such drug to a patient;

(2) a wholesale distributor to a pharmacy to a patient or other designated persons authorized by law to dispense or administer such drug to a patient;

(3) a wholesale distributor to a chain pharmacy warehouse to that chain pharmacy warehouse's intracompany pharmacy to a patient or other designated persons authorized by law to dispense or administer such drug to a patient; or

(4) a chain pharmacy warehouse to the chain pharmacy warehouse's intracompany pharmacy to a patient or other designated persons authorized by law to dispense or administer such drug to a patient.

(jj) "Person" means individual, corporation, government, governmental subdivision or agency, partnership, association or any other legal entity.

(kk) "Pharmacist" means any natural person licensed under this act to practice pharmacy.

(ll) "Pharmacist-in-charge" means the pharmacist who is responsible to the board for a registered establishment's compliance with the laws and

regulations of this state pertaining to the practice of pharmacy, manufacturing of drugs and the distribution of drugs. The pharmacist-in-charge shall supervise such establishment on a full-time or a part-time basis and perform such other duties relating to supervision of a registered establishment as may be prescribed by the board by rules and regulations. Nothing in this definition shall relieve other pharmacists or persons from their responsibility to comply with state and federal laws and regulations.

(mm) "Pharmacist intern" means: (1) A student currently enrolled in an accredited pharmacy program; (2) a graduate of an accredited pharmacy program serving an internship; or (3) a graduate of a pharmacy program located outside of the United States which is not accredited and who has successfully passed equivalency examinations approved by the board.

(nn) "Pharmacy," "drugstore" or "apothecary" means premises, laboratory, area or other place: (1) Where drugs are offered for sale where the profession of pharmacy is practiced and where prescriptions are compounded and dispensed; or (2) which has displayed upon it or within it the words "pharmacist," "pharmaceutical chemist," "pharmacy," "apothecary," "drugstore," "druggist," "drugs," "drug sundries" or any of these words or combinations of these words or words of similar import either in English or any sign containing any of these words; or (3) where the characteristic symbols of pharmacy or the characteristic prescription sign "Rx" may be exhibited. As used in this subsection, premises refers only to the portion of any building or structure leased, used or controlled by the licensee in the conduct of the business registered by the board at the address for which the registration was issued.

(oo) "Pharmacy prescription application" means software that is used to process prescription information, is installed on a pharmacy's computers or servers, and is controlled by the pharmacy.

(pp) "Pharmacy technician" means an individual who, under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist, may perform packaging, manipulative, repetitive or other nondiscretionary tasks related to the processing of a prescription or medication order and who assists the pharmacist in the performance of pharmacy related duties, but who does not perform duties restricted to a pharmacist.

(qq) "Practitioner" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, optometrist or scientific investigator or other person authorized by law to use a prescription-only drug in teaching or chemical analysis or to conduct research with respect to a prescription-only drug.

(rr) "Preceptor" means a licensed pharmacist who possesses at least two years' experience as a pharmacist and who supervises students obtaining the pharmaceutical experience required by law as a condition to taking the examination for licensure as a pharmacist.

(ss) "Prescriber" means a practitioner or a mid-level practitioner.

(tt) "Prescription" or "prescription order" means: (1) An order to be filled by a pharmacist for prescription medication issued and signed by a prescriber in the authorized course of such prescriber's professional practice; or (2) an order transmitted to a pharmacist through word of mouth, note, telephone or other means of communication directed by such prescriber, regardless of whether the communication is oral, electronic, facsimile or in printed form.

(uu) "Prescription medication" means any drug, including label and container according to context, which is dispensed pursuant to a prescription order.

(vv) "Prescription-only drug" means any drug whether intended for use by man or animal, required by federal or state law, including 21 U.S.C. § 353, to be dispensed only pursuant to a written or oral prescription or order of a practitioner or is restricted to use by practitioners only.

(ww) "Probation" means the practice or operation under a temporary license, registration or permit or a conditional license, registration or permit of a business or profession for which a license, registration or permit is granted by the board under the provisions of the pharmacy act of the state of Kansas requiring certain actions to be accomplished or certain actions not to occur before a regular license, registration or permit is issued.

(xx) "Professional incompetency" means:

(1) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable standard of pharmaceutical care to a degree which constitutes gross negligence, as determined by the board;

(2) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable standard of pharmaceutical care to a degree which constitutes ordinary negligence, as determined by the board; or

(3) a pattern of pharmacy practice or other behavior which demonstrates a manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice pharmacy.

(yy) "Readily retrievable" means that records kept by automatic data processing applications or other electronic or mechanized record-keeping systems can be separated out from all other records within a reasonable time not to exceed 48 hours of a request from the board or other authorized agent or that hard-copy records are kept on which certain items are asterisked, redlined or in some other manner visually identifiable apart from other items appearing on the records.

(zz) "Retail dealer" means a person selling at retail nonprescription drugs which are prepackaged, fully prepared by the manufacturer or distributor for use by the consumer and labeled in accordance with the requirements of the state and federal food, drug and cosmetic acts. Such nonprescription drugs shall not include: (1) A controlled substance; (2) a

prescription-only drug; or (3) a drug intended for human use by hypodermic injection.

(aaa) "Secretary" means the executive secretary of the board.

(bbb) "Third party logistics provider" means an entity that: (1) Provides or coordinates warehousing, distribution or other services on behalf of a manufacturer, but does not take title to the prescription drug or have general responsibility to direct the prescription drug's sale or disposition; (2) is registered as a wholesale distributor under the pharmacy act of the state of Kansas; and (3) to be considered part of the normal distribution channel, must also be an authorized distributor of record.

(ccc) "Unprofessional conduct" means:

(1) Fraud in securing a registration or permit;

(2) intentional adulteration or mislabeling of any drug, medicine, chemical or poison;

(3) causing any drug, medicine, chemical or poison to be adulterated or mislabeled, knowing the same to be adulterated or mislabeled;

(4) intentionally falsifying or altering records or prescriptions;

(5) unlawful possession of drugs and unlawful diversion of drugs to others;

(6) willful betrayal of confidential information under K.S.A. 65-1654, and amendments thereto;

(7) conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public;

(8) making a false or misleading statement regarding the licensee's professional practice or the efficacy or value of a drug;

(9) commission of any act of sexual abuse, misconduct or exploitation related to the licensee's professional practice; or

(10) performing unnecessary tests, examinations or services which have no legitimate pharmaceutical purpose.

(ddd) "Vaccination protocol" means a written protocol, agreed to by a pharmacist and a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the state board of healing arts, which establishes procedures and recordkeeping and reporting requirements for administering a vaccine by the pharmacist for a period of time specified therein, not to exceed two years.

(eee) "Valid prescription order" means a prescription that is issued for a legitimate medical purpose by an individual prescriber licensed by law to administer and prescribe drugs and acting in the usual course of such prescriber's professional practice. A prescription issued solely on the basis of an internet-based questionnaire or consultation without an appropriate prescriber-patient relationship is not a valid prescription order.

(fff) "Veterinary medical teaching hospital pharmacy" means any location where prescription-only drugs are stored as part of an accredited college of veterinary medicine and from which prescription-only drugs are

distributed for use in treatment of or administration to a nonhuman.

(ggg) "Wholesale distributor" means any person engaged in wholesale distribution of prescription drugs or devices in or into the state, including, but not limited to, manufacturers, repackagers, own-label distributors, private-label distributors, jobbers, brokers, warehouses, including manufacturers' and distributors' warehouses, co-licensees, exclusive distributors, third party logistics providers, chain pharmacy warehouses that conduct wholesale distributions, and wholesale drug warehouses, independent wholesale drug traders and retail pharmacies that conduct wholesale distributions. Wholesale distributor shall not include persons engaged in the sale of durable medical equipment to consumers or patients.

(hhh) "Wholesale distribution" means the distribution of prescription drugs or devices by wholesale distributors to persons other than consumers or patients, and includes the transfer of prescription drugs by a pharmacy to another pharmacy if the total number of units of transferred drugs during a twelve-month period does not exceed 5% of the total number of all units dispensed by the pharmacy during the immediately preceding twelve-month period. Wholesale distribution does not include:

(1) The sale, purchase or trade of a prescription drug or device, an offer to sell, purchase or trade a prescription drug or device or the dispensing of a prescription drug or device pursuant to a prescription;

(2) the sale, purchase or trade of a prescription drug or device or an offer to sell, purchase or trade a prescription drug or device for emergency medical reasons;

(3) intracompany transactions, as defined in this section, unless in violation of own use provisions;

(4) the sale, purchase or trade of a prescription drug or device or an offer to sell, purchase or trade a prescription drug or device among hospitals, chain pharmacy warehouses, pharmacies or other health care entities that are under common control;

(5) the sale, purchase or trade of a prescription drug or device or the offer to sell, purchase or trade a prescription drug or device by a charitable organization described in 503(c)(3) of the internal revenue code of 1954 to a nonprofit affiliate of the organization to the extent otherwise permitted by law;

(6) the purchase or other acquisition by a hospital or other similar health care entity that is a member of a group purchasing organization of a prescription drug or device for its own use from the group purchasing organization or from other hospitals or similar health care entities that are members of these organizations;

(7) the transfer of prescription drugs or devices between pharmacies pursuant to a centralized prescription processing agreement;

(8) the sale, purchase or trade of blood and blood components intended for transfusion;

(9) the return of recalled, expired, damaged or otherwise non-salable prescription drugs, when conducted by a hospital, health care entity, pharmacy, chain pharmacy warehouse or charitable institution in accordance with the board's rules and regulations;

(10) the sale, transfer, merger or consolidation of all or part of the business of a retail pharmacy or pharmacies from or with another retail pharmacy or pharmacies, whether accomplished as a purchase and sale of stock or business assets, in accordance with the board's rules and regulations;

(11) the distribution of drug samples by manufacturers' and authorized distributors' representatives;

(12) the sale of minimal quantities of drugs by retail pharmacies to licensed practitioners for office use; or

(13) the sale or transfer from a retail pharmacy or chain pharmacy warehouse of expired, damaged, returned or recalled prescription drugs to the original manufacturer, originating wholesale distributor or to a third party returns processor in accordance with the board's rules and regulations.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 65-468, 65-1113, 65-1130 and 65-1626 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2014, and its publication in the statute book.