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65-4a10. Performance of abortions; only physicians; RU-486 or any drug induced abortion requirements; violations. (a) No abortion shall be performed or induced by any person other than a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Kansas.

(b) (1) Except in the case of an abortion performed in a hospital through inducing labor: (A) When RU-486 (mifepristone) is used for the purpose of inducing an abortion, the drug shall initially be administered by or in the same room and in the physical presence of the physician who prescribed, dispensed or otherwise provided the drug to the patient; and (B) when any other drug is used for the purpose of inducing an abortion, the drug or the prescription for such drug shall be given to the patient by or in the same room and in the physical presence of the physician who prescribed, dispensed or otherwise provided the drug or prescription to the patient.

(2) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply in the case of a medical emergency.

(c) The physician inducing the abortion, or a person acting on behalf of the physician inducing the abortion, shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the patient returns 12 to 18 days after the administration or use of such drug for a subsequent examination so that the physician can confirm that the pregnancy has been terminated and assess the patient's medical condition. A brief description of the efforts made to comply with this subsection, including the date, time and identification by name of the person making such efforts, shall be included in the patient's medical record.

(d) A violation of this section shall constitute unprofessional conduct under K.S.A. 65-2837, and amendments thereto.

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