

2021 Kansas Statutes

65-28a03. List of names; renewal of license; canceled licenses; inactive licenses; reinstatement of license; federally active licenses; exempt licenses; fees; rules and regulations. (a) There is hereby created a designation of active license. The board is authorized to issue an active license to a physician assistant who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the fee for an active license established pursuant to subsection (h). As a condition of engaging in active practice as a physician assistant, each licensed physician assistant shall file a request to engage in active practice signed by the physician assistant and the physician who will be responsible for the physician assistant. The request shall contain such information as required by rules and regulations adopted by the board. The board shall maintain a list of the names of physician assistants who may engage in active practice in this state.

(b) All licenses, except temporary licenses, shall be canceled on the date of cancellation established by rules and regulations of the board and may be renewed as required by the board. The request for renewal shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the renewal fee established pursuant to this section, which shall be paid not later than the renewal date of the license. The board, prior to renewal of an active license, shall require the licensee to submit to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the licensee is maintaining a policy of professional liability insurance as required by K.S.A. 40-3402, and amendments thereto, and has paid the premium surcharges as required by K.S.A. 40-3404, and amendments thereto.

(c) At least 30 days before the renewal date of the license of a physician assistant, except a temporary license, the board shall notify the licensee of the renewal date by mail addressed to the licensee's last mailing address as noted upon the office records of the board. If the licensee fails to submit the renewal application and pay the renewal fee by the renewal date of the license, the licensee shall be given notice that the licensee has failed to pay the renewal fee by the renewal date of the license and the license may be renewed only if the renewal fee and the late renewal fee are received by the board within the 30-day period following the renewal date and that, if both fees are not received within the 30-day period, the license shall be deemed canceled by operation of law without further proceedings for failure to renew and shall be reissued only after the license has been reinstated under subsection (d).

(d) Any license canceled for failure to renew as herein provided may be reinstated upon recommendation of the board and upon payment of the reinstatement fee and upon submitting evidence of satisfactory completion of any applicable continuing education requirements established by the board. The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing appropriate continuing education requirements for reinstatement of licenses canceled for failure to renew.

(e) There is hereby created the designation of inactive license. The board is authorized to issue an inactive license to any licensee who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the fee for an inactive license established pursuant to subsection (h) of this section. The board may issue an inactive license only to a person who meets all the requirements for a license to practice as a physician assistant and who does not engage in active practice as a physician assistant in the state of Kansas. An inactive license shall not entitle the holder to engage in active practice. The provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of this section relating to cancellation, renewal and reinstatement of a license shall be applicable to an inactive license issued under this subsection. Each inactive licensee may apply to engage in active practice by presenting a request required by subsection (a)

and submit to the board evidence satisfactory to the board that such licensee is maintaining a policy of professional liability insurance as required by K.S.A. 40-3402, and amendments thereto, and has paid the premium surcharges as required by K.S.A. 40-3404, and amendments thereto. The request shall contain such information as required by rules and regulations adopted by the board. The request shall be accompanied by the fee established pursuant to subsection (h).

(f) (1) There is hereby created a designation of federally active license. The board is authorized to issue a federally active license to any licensed physician assistant who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the same fee required for a federally active license established under subsection (h). The board may issue a federally active license only to a person who meets all of the requirements for a license to practice as a physician assistant in Kansas and who practices as a physician assistant solely in the course of employment or active duty in the United States government or any of its departments, bureaus or agencies. A person issued a federally active license may engage in limited practice outside of the course of federal employment consistent with the scope of practice of exempt licensees under subsection (g), except that the scope of practice of a federally active licensee shall be limited to the following: (A) Performing administrative functions, including peer review, disability determinations, utilization review and expert opinions; (B) providing direct patient care services gratuitously or providing supervision, direction or consultation for no compensation except that nothing in this subsection (f)(1)(B) shall prohibit a physician assistant issued a federally active license from receiving payment for subsistence allowances or actual and necessary expenses incurred in providing such services; and (C) rendering professional services as a charitable health care provider as defined in K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto.

(2) The provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of this section relating to continuing education, cancellation, renewal and reinstatement of a license shall be applicable to a federally active license issued under this subsection.

(3) A person who practices under a federally active license shall not be deemed to be rendering professional service as a health care provider in this state for purposes of K.S.A. 40-3402, and amendments thereto.

(g) (1) There is hereby created a designation of exempt license. The board is authorized to issue an exempt license to any licensed physician assistant who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board and remits the fee for an exempt license established under subsection (h). The board may issue an exempt license to a person who is not regularly engaged in physician assistant practice in Kansas and who does not hold oneself out to the public as being professionally engaged in such practice. An exempt license shall entitle the holder to all privileges of a physician assistant for which such license is issued. Each exempt license may be renewed subject to the provisions of this section. Each exempt licensee shall be subject to all provisions of the physician assistant licensure act, except as otherwise provided in this subsection (g). The holder of an exempt license may be required to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education required by this section. The requirements for continuing education for exempt licensees under this section shall be established by rules and regulations adopted by the board. Each exempt licensee may apply for an active license to regularly engage in the practice of a physician assistant upon filing a written application with the board. The request shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the active license fee established pursuant to subsection (h).

(2) For the licensee whose license has been exempt for less than two years, the board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing appropriate continuing education requirements for exempt licensees to become licensed to regularly practice as a physician assistant within

Kansas. Any licensee whose license has been exempt for more than two years and who has not been in the active practice as a physician assistant or engaged in a formal educational program since the license has been exempt may be required to complete such additional testing, training or education as the board may deem necessary to establish the licensee's present ability to practice with reasonable skill and safety.

(3) Nothing in this subsection (g) shall be construed to prohibit a person holding an exempt license from serving as a paid employee of: (A) A local health department as defined by K.S.A. 65-241, and amendments thereto; or (B) an indigent health care clinic as defined by K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto.

(h) The following fees shall be fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the state board of healing arts and shall be collected by the board:

- (1) For an active license as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$200;
- (2) for any license by endorsement as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$200;
- (3) for temporary licensure as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$30;
- (4) for the renewal of an active license to practice as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$150;
- (5) for renewal of an inactive license, the sum of not more than \$150;
- (6) for the late renewal of any license as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$250;
- (7) for reinstatement of a license canceled for failure to renew, the sum of not more than \$250;
- (8) for a certified statement from the board that a physician assistant is licensed in this state, the sum of not more than \$30;
- (9) for a federally active license, the sum of not more than \$200;
- (10) for the exempt license, the sum of not more than \$150;
- (11) for a copy of the licensure certificate of a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$25; and
- (12) for conversion of an inactive license to an active license to actively practice as a physician assistant, the sum of not more than \$150.

(i) The board shall remit all moneys received by or for the board under the provisions of this act to the state treasurer and such money shall be deposited in the state treasury, credited to the state general fund and the healing arts fee fund and expended all in accordance with K.S.A. 65-2855, and amendments thereto.

(j) The board may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of this act.

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