

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**59-29c02. Definitions.** When used in the crisis intervention act:

- (a) "Behavioral health professional" includes a physician, physician assistant, psychologist, qualified mental health professional or licensed addiction counselor.
- (b) "Head of a crisis intervention center" means the administrative director of a crisis intervention center or a behavioral health professional designated by such person.
- (c) "Law enforcement officer" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 22-2202, and amendments thereto.
- (d) "Licensed addiction counselor" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 59-29b46(d), (e) or (f), and amendments thereto.
- (e) "Crisis intervention center" means any entity licensed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services that is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, equipped to serve voluntary and involuntary individuals in crisis due to mental illness, substance abuse or a co-occurring condition, and that uses certified peer specialists.
- (f) "Crisis intervention center service area" means the counties to which the crisis intervention center has agreed to provide service.
- (g) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery as provided for in the Kansas healing arts act or a person who is employed by a state psychiatric hospital or by an agency of the United States and who is authorized by law to practice medicine and surgery within such hospital or agency.
- (h) "Psychologist" means a licensed psychologist, as defined by K.S.A. 74-5302, and amendments thereto.
- (i) "Qualified mental health professional" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 59-2946(j), and amendments thereto.
- (j) "Treatment" means any service intended to promote the mental health of the patient and rendered by a qualified professional, licensed or certified by the state to provide such service as an independent practitioner or under the supervision of such practitioner; and the broad range of emergency, outpatient, intermediate and inpatient services and care, including diagnostic evaluation, medical, psychiatric, psychological and social service care, vocational rehabilitation and career counseling, which may be extended to persons with an alcohol or substance abuse problem.
- (k) "Domestic partner" means a person with whom another person maintains a household and an intimate relationship, other than a person to whom such person is legally married.
- (l) "Physician assistant" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery as a physician assistant by the state board of healing arts.

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