

2023 Kansas Statutes

65-1,261. State palliative care consumer and professional information and education program; creation; duties of department of health and environment. (a) There is hereby created the state palliative care consumer and professional information and education program in the department of health and environment. The purpose of the state palliative care consumer and professional information and education program is to maximize the effectiveness of palliative care initiatives in the state by ensuring that comprehensive and accurate information and education about palliative care is available to the public, health care providers and health care facilities.

(b) The department of health and environment:

(1) Shall publish information and resources on its website, including links to external resources, about palliative care for the public, health care providers and health care facilities. The information shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Continuing education opportunities for health care providers;

(B) information about palliative care delivery in home, primary, secondary and tertiary environments; and

(C) consumer educational materials and referral information for palliative care, including hospice;

(2) may develop and implement any other initiatives regarding palliative care services and education that it determines would further the purposes of this section; and

(3) shall consult with the palliative care and quality of life interdisciplinary advisory council.

(c) "Palliative care" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 65-1,260, and amendments thereto.

History: L. 2018, ch. 66, § 4; July 1.