

2023 Kansas Statutes

65-1501a. Definitions. For the purposes of this act the following terms shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them unless the context requires otherwise:

(a) "Board" means the board of examiners in optometry established under K.S.A. 74-1501, and amendments thereto.

(b) "License" means a license to practice optometry granted under the optometry law.

(c) "Licensee" means a person licensed under the optometry law to practice optometry.

(d) "Adapt" means the determination, selection, fitting or use of lenses, prisms, orthoptic exercises or visual training therapy for the aid of any insufficiencies or abnormal conditions of the eyes after or by examination or testing.

(e) "Lenses" means any type of ophthalmic lenses, which are lenses prescribed or used for the aid of any insufficiencies or abnormal conditions of the eyes.

(f) "Prescription" means a verbal, written or electronic order transmitted directly or by electronic means from a licensee giving or containing the name and address of the prescriber, the license registration number of the licensee, the name and address of the patient, the specifications and directions for lenses, prisms, orthoptic exercises, low vision rehabilitation services or visual training therapy to be used for the aid of any insufficiencies or abnormal conditions of the eyes, including instructions necessary for the fabrication or use thereof and the date of issue.

(g) "Prescription for topical pharmaceutical drugs or oral drugs" means a verbal, written or electronic order transmitted directly or by electronic means from a licensee giving or containing the name and address of the prescriber, the license registration number of the licensee, the name and address of the patient, the name and quantity of the drug prescribed, directions for use, the number of refills permitted, the date of issue and expiration date.

(h) "Topical pharmaceutical drugs" means drugs administered topically and not by other means.

(i) "Dispense" means to deliver prescription-only medication or ophthalmic lenses to the ultimate user pursuant to the lawful prescription of a licensee and dispensing of prescription-only medication by a licensee shall be limited to a twenty-four hour supply or minimal quantity necessary until a prescription can be filled by a licensed pharmacist, except that the twenty-four hour supply or minimal quantity shall not apply to lenses described in subsection (a)(2) of K.S.A. 65-1501, and amendments thereto.

(j) "False advertisement" means any advertisement which is false, misleading or deceptive in a material respect. In determining whether any advertisement is misleading, there shall be taken into account not only representations made or suggested by statement, word, design, device, sound or any combination thereof, but also the extent to which the advertisement fails to reveal facts material in the light of such representations made.

(k) "Advertisement" means all representations disseminated in any manner or by any means, for the purpose of inducing, or which are likely to induce, directly or indirectly, the purchase of professional services or ophthalmic goods.

(l) "Health care provider" shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 40-3401, and amendments thereto.

(m) "Medical facility" shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 65-411, and amendments thereto.

(n) "Medical care facility" shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto.

(o) "Ophthalmologist" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the state board of healing arts who specializes in the diagnosis and medical and surgical treatment of diseases and defects of the human eye and related structures.

(p) "Low vision rehabilitation services" means the evaluation, diagnosis, management and care of the low vision patient including low vision rehabilitation therapy, education and interdisciplinary consultation under the direction and supervision of an ophthalmologist or optometrist.

(q) "Oral drugs" means oral antibacterial drugs, oral antiviral drugs, oral antihistamines, oral analgesic drugs, oral steroids, oral antiglaucoma drugs and other oral drugs with clinically accepted ocular uses.

History: L. 1975, ch. 318, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 235, § 2; L. 1990, ch. 223, § 1; L. 1996, ch. 95, § 2; L. 1999, ch. 23, § 2; L. 2005, ch. 93, § 3; L. 2010, ch. 31, § 2; L. 2012, ch. 8, § 2; July 1.