

65-7613. Acupuncture advisory council; appointments and terms of members; meetings; reimbursement. (a) There is hereby established the acupuncture advisory council to assist the state board of healing arts in carrying out the provisions of this act. The council shall consist of five members, all citizens and residents of the state of Kansas, appointed as follows:

(1) The board shall appoint one member who is a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathy. The member appointed by the board shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The governor shall appoint three acupuncturists who have at least three years' experience in acupuncture preceding appointment and are actively engaged, in this state, in the practice of acupuncture or the teaching of acupuncture. At least two of the governor's appointments shall be made from a list of four nominees submitted by the Kansas association of oriental medicine. The governor shall appoint one member from the public sector who is not engaged, directly or indirectly, in the provision of health services. Insofar as possible, persons appointed by the governor to the council shall be from different geographic areas.

(2) The members appointed by the governor shall be appointed for terms of four years and until a successor is appointed. If a vacancy occurs on the council, the appointing authority of the position which has become vacant shall appoint a person of like qualifications to fill the vacant position for the unexpired term.

(b) The council shall meet at least once each year at a time of its choosing at the board's main office and at such other times as may be necessary on the chairperson's call or on the request of a majority of the council's members.

(c) A majority of the council constitutes a quorum. No action may be taken by the council except by affirmative vote of the majority of the members present and voting.

(d) Members of the council attending meetings of the council, or a subcommittee of the council, shall be paid amounts provided in K.S.A. 75-3223(e), and amendments thereto, from the healing arts fee fund.

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