

2023 Kansas Statutes

65-16,130. Telepharmacy; definitions; requirements for operation; state board of pharmacy rules and regulations. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Telepharmacy" means the practice of pharmacy by a pharmacist located in Kansas using telecommunications or other automations and technologies to deliver personalized, electronically documented, real-time pharmaceutical care to patients or their agents, who are located at sites other than where the pharmacist is located, including prescription dispensing and counseling and to oversee and supervise telepharmacy outlet operations.

(2) "Telepharmacy outlet" means a pharmacy site located in Kansas that:

(A) Is registered as a pharmacy under the act;

(B) is owned by the managing pharmacy;

(C) is connected via computer link, video link and audio link or other functionally equivalent telecommunications equipment with a supervising pharmacy located in Kansas; and

(D) has a pharmacy technician on site who performs activities under the electronic supervision of a pharmacist located in Kansas.

(b) A pharmacist shall be in attendance at the telepharmacy outlet by connecting to the telepharmacy outlet via computer link, video link and audio link or other functionally equivalent telecommunications equipment and shall be available to consult with and assist the pharmacy technician in performing activities.

(c) Not later than January 1, 2023, the board shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to specify additional criteria for a managing pharmacy and telepharmacy outlet under this section, including, but not limited to:

(1) Application requirements;

(2) structural, security, technology and equipment requirements;

(3) staffing, training and electronic supervision requirements;

(4) inventory record keeping and storage requirements;

(5) labeling requirements;

(6) establishment of policies and procedures;

(7) the number of telepharmacy outlets that may be operated by a supervising pharmacy;

(8) use of automated dispensing machines; and

(9) criteria for requesting exemptions or waivers from the requirements set forth in rules and regulations adopted under this subsection.

(d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the pharmacy act of the state of Kansas.

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