65-16,131. Pharmacist-initiated therapy for certain health conditions; requirements; establishment of protocols by collaborative drug therapy management advisory committee; penalty for violation. (a) A pharmacist may initiate therapy within the framework of a statewide protocol for the following health conditions:

(1) Influenza;
(2) streptococcal pharyngitis; or
(3) urinary tract infection.

(b) The collaborative drug therapy management advisory committee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1677, and amendments thereto, may adopt a statewide protocol for each condition listed in subsection (a). In establishing such statewide protocols, the committee shall specify:

(1) The medications or categories of medications included in the protocol for each health condition;
(2) the training or qualifications required for pharmacists to implement the protocols;
(3) requirements for documentation and maintenance of records, including patient inclusion and exclusion criteria, medical referral criteria, patient assessment tools based on current clinical guidelines, follow-up monitoring or care plans and the pharmacist's adherence to the applicable protocols; and
(4) communication requirements, including, but not limited to, notification to the patient's personal or primary care provider.

(c) The board may deny an application or renewal or revoke or suspend the license of a pharmacist upon a finding that the pharmacist has violated the provisions of this section or failed to practice within the framework of statewide protocols established pursuant to this section by the collaborative drug therapy management advisory committee.

(d) This section shall take effect and be in force on and after July 1, 2022.

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