

**60-11-101. Definition of expanded role; limitations; restrictions.**

- (a) Each “advanced registered nurse practitioner” (ARNP), as defined by K.S.A. 65-1113 and amendments thereto, shall function in an expanded role to provide primary, secondary, and tertiary health care in the ARNP's category of advanced practice. Each ARNP shall be authorized to make independent decisions about advanced practice nursing needs of families, patients, and clients and medical decisions based on the authorization for collaborative practice with one or more physicians. This regulation shall not be deemed to require the immediate and physical presence of the physician when care is given by an ARNP. Each ARNP shall be directly accountable and responsible to the consumer.
- (b) “Authorization for collaborative practice” shall mean that an ARNP is authorized to develop and manage the medical plan of care for patients or clients based upon an agreement developed jointly and signed by the ARNP and one or more physicians. Each ARNP and physician shall jointly review the authorization for collaborative practice annually. Each authorization for collaborative practice shall include a cover page containing the names and telephone numbers of the ARNP and the physician, their signatures, and the date of review by the ARNP and the physician. Each authorization for collaborative practice shall be maintained in either hard copy or electronic format at the ARNP's principal place of practice.
- (c) “Physician” shall mean a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the state board of healing arts.
- (d) “Prescription” shall have the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-1626, and amendments thereto.
- (e) “Prescription order” shall have the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-1626, and amendments thereto.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1113 and K.S.A. 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended March 31, 2000; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)

**60-11-102. Categories of advanced registered nurse practitioners.** The four categories of advanced registered nurse practitioners certified by the board of nursing shall be the following:

- (a) Clinical nurse specialist;
- (b) nurse anesthetist;
- (c) nurse-midwife; and
- (d) nurse practitioner.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1113, 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)

**60-11-103. Educational requirements for advanced registered nurse practitioners.**

- (a) To be issued a certificate of qualification as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in any of the categories of advanced practice, as identified in K.A.R. 60-11-102, each applicant shall meet at least one of the following criteria:
  - (1) Complete a formal, post-basic nursing education program located or offered in Kansas that has been approved by the board and prepares the nurse to function in the advanced role for which application is made;
  - (2) complete a formal, post-basic nursing education program that is not located or offered in Kansas but is determined by the board to meet the standards for program approval established by K.A.R. 60-17-101 through 60-17-108;
  - (3) have completed a formal, post-basic nursing education program that may be no longer in existence but is determined by the board to meet standards at least as stringent as those required for program approval by the board at the time of graduation;
  - (4) hold a current certificate of authority to practice as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category for which application is made and that meets the following criteria:
    - (A) Was issued by another board of nursing; and
    - (B) required completion of a program meeting standards equal to or greater than those established by K.A.R. 60-17-101 through 60-17-108; or
  - (5) complete a formal educational program of post-basic study and clinical experience that can be demonstrated by the applicant to have sufficiently prepared the applicant for practice in the category of advanced practice for which application is made. The applicant shall show that the curriculum of the program is consistent with public health and safety policy and that it prepared individuals to perform acts generally recognized by the nursing profession as capable of being performed by persons with post-basic education in nursing.
- (b) Each applicant for a certificate of qualification as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in a category other than anesthesia or midwifery shall meet one of the following requirements:
  - (1) Have met one of the requirements of subsection (a) before July 1, 1994;
  - (2) if none of the requirements in subsection (a) have been met before July 1, 1994, meet one of the requirements of subsection (a) and hold a baccalaureate or higher degree in nursing; or
  - (3) if none of the requirements in subsection (a) have been met before July 1, 2002, meet one of the requirements of subsection (a) and hold a master's or higher degree in a clinical area of nursing.
- (c) Each applicant for a certificate of qualification as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of anesthesia shall meet one of the following requirements:
  - (1) Have met one of the requirements of subsection (a) before July 1, 2002; or
  - (2) if none of the requirements in subsection (a) have been met before July 1, 2002, meet one of the requirements of subsection (a) and hold a master's degree or a higher degree in nurse anesthesia or a related field.
- (d) Each applicant for a certificate of qualification as an advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of midwifery shall meet one of the following requirements:
  - (1) Have met one of the requirements of subsection (a) before July 1, 2000;
  - (2) if none of the requirements in subsection (a) have been met before July 1, 2000, meet one of the requirements of subsection (a) and hold a baccalaureate degree in nursing; or

- (3) if none of the requirements in subsection (a) are met before January 1, 2010, meet one of the requirements of subsection (a) and hold a master's degree or a higher degree in nursing, midwifery, or a related field.
- (e) A certificate of qualification may be granted if an individual has been certified by a national nursing organization whose certification standards have been approved by the board as equal to or greater than the corresponding standards established by the board for obtaining a certificate of qualification to practice as an advanced registered nurse practitioner. National nursing organizations with certification standards that meet this standard shall be identified by the board, and a current list of national nursing organizations with certification standards approved by the board shall be maintained by the board. Any licensee may request that a certification program be considered by the board for approval and, if approved, included by the board on its list of national nursing organizations with approved certification standards.
- (f) Each applicant who completes an advanced registered nurse practitioner program after January 1, 1997 shall have completed three college hours in advanced pharmacology or the equivalent.
- (g) Each applicant who completes an advanced registered nurse practitioner program after January 1, 2001 in a category other than anesthesia or midwifery shall have completed three college hours in advanced pathophysiology or its equivalent and three college hours in advanced health assessment or its equivalent.
- (h) Each applicant who completes an advanced registered nurse practitioner program after July 1, 2009 shall have completed three college hours in advanced pathophysiology or its equivalent and three college hours in advanced health assessment or its equivalent.
- (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) through (h), each applicant for a certificate of qualification as an advanced registered nurse practitioner who has not gained 1,000 hours of advanced nursing practice during the five years preceding the date of application shall be required to successfully complete a refresher course as defined by the board.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended, T-85-16, June 5, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended, T-60-11-14-90, Nov. 14, 1990; amended, T-60-3-14-91, March 14, 1991; amended Sept. 2, 1991; amended March 9, 1992; amended Sept. 14, 1992; amended April 26, 1993; amended Sept. 6, 1994; amended Jan. 3, 1997; amended March 31, 2000; amended

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**60-11-104. Functions of the advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of nurse practitioner.** Each advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of nurse practitioner shall function in an expanded role at a specialized level, through the application of advance knowledge and skills and shall be authorized to perform the following:

- (a) Provide health promotion and maintenance, disease prevention, and independent nursing diagnosis, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(b) and amendments thereto, and treatment, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(c) and amendments thereto, of acute and chronic diseases;
- (b) develop and manage the medical plan of care for patients or clients, based on the authorization for collaborative practice;
- (c) provide health care services for which the nurse practitioner is educationally prepared and for which competency has been established and maintained. Educational preparation may include academic coursework, workshops, institutes, and seminars if theory or clinical experience, or both, are included;
- (d) provide health care for individuals by managing health problems encountered by patients and clients; and
- (e) provide innovation in evidence-based nursing practice based upon advanced clinical expertise, decision making, and leadership skills and serve as a consultant, researcher, and patient advocate for individuals, families, groups, and communities to achieve quality, cost-effective patient outcomes and solutions.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1113, 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended, T-85-16, June 5, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)

**60-11-105. Functions of the advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of nurse-midwife.** Each advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of nurse-midwife shall function in an expanded role through the application of advanced skills and knowledge of women's health care through the life span and shall be authorized to perform the following:

- (a) Provide independent nursing diagnosis, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(b) and amendments thereto, and treatment, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(c) and amendments thereto;
- (b) develop and manage the medical plan of care for patients or clients, based on the authorization for collaborative practice;
- (c) provide health care services for which the nurse-midwife is educationally prepared and for which competency has been established and maintained. Educational preparation may include academic coursework, workshops, institutes, and seminars if theory or clinical experience, or both, are included;
- (d) in a manner consistent with subsection (c), provide health care for women, focusing on gynecological needs, pregnancy, childbirth, the postpartum period, care of the newborn, and family planning, including indicated partner evaluation, treatment, and referral for infertility and sexually transmitted diseases; and
- (e) provide innovation in evidence-based nursing practice based upon advanced clinical expertise, decision making, and leadership skills and serve as a consultant, researcher, and patient advocate for individuals, families, groups, and communities to achieve quality, cost-effective patient outcomes and solutions.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1113, 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended, T-85-16, June 5, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)

**60-11-107. Functions of the advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of clinical nurse specialist.** Each advanced registered nurse practitioner in the category of clinical nurse specialist shall function in an expanded role to provide evidence-based nursing practice within a specialty area focused on specific patients or clients, populations, settings, and types of care. Each clinical nurse specialist shall be authorized to perform the following:

- (a) Provide independent nursing diagnosis, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(b) and amendments thereto, and treatment, as defined in K.S.A. 65-1113(c) and amendments thereto;
- (b) develop and manage the medical plan of care for patients or clients, based on the authorization for collaborative practice;
- (c) provide health care services for which the clinical nurse specialist is educationally prepared and for which competency has been established and maintained. Educational preparation may include academic coursework, workshops, institutes, and seminars if theory or clinical experience, or both, are included;
- (d) provide care for specific patients or clients or specific populations, or both, utilizing a broad base of advanced scientific knowledge, nursing theory, and skills in assessing, planning, implementing, and evaluating health and nursing care; and
- (e) provide innovation in evidence-based nursing practice based upon advanced clinical expertise, decision making, and leadership skills and serve as a consultant, researcher, and patient advocate for individuals, families, groups, and communities to achieve quality, cost-effective patient outcomes and solutions.

**History:** (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 65-1113, 65-1130; effective May 1, 1984; amended, T-85-16, June 5, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)