

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

- (a) Each “advanced practice registered nurse” (APRN), 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 APRN's role of advanced practice. Each APRN 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 APRN. Each APRN shall be directly accountable and responsible to the consumer.
- (b) “Authorization for collaborative practice” shall mean that an APRN 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 APRN and one or more physicians. Each APRN 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 APRN and the physician, their signatures, and the date of review by the APRN and the physician. Each authorization for collaborative practice shall be maintained in either hard copy or electronic format at the APRN’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, as amended by L. 2011, ch. 114, sec. 39, and K.S.A. 65-1130, as amended by L. 2011, ch. 114, sec. 44; effective May 1, 1984; amended March 31, 2000; amended Sept. 4, 2009; amended May 18, 2012.)