

Session of 2023

SENATE BILL No. 112

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

1-26

1 AN ACT concerning health professions and practices; relating to the
2 regulation of nursing; registered nurse anesthetists; authorizing
3 independent practice and the prescribing of drugs; amending K.S.A.
4 65-1158 and repealing the existing section.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
8 1158. (a) ~~Upon the order of a physician or dentist requesting anesthesia or~~
9 ~~analgesia care, each A~~ registered nurse anesthetist shall be authorized to:

10 (1) ~~Conduct a pre- and post-anesthesia and pre- and post-analgesia~~
11 ~~visit and assessment with appropriate documentation;~~

12 (2) ~~develop a general plan of anesthesia care with the physician or~~
13 ~~dentist;~~

14 (3) ~~select the method for administration of anesthesia or analgesia;~~

15 (4) ~~select or administer appropriate medications and anesthetic agents~~
16 ~~during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic period;~~

17 (5) ~~order necessary medications and tests in the peri-anesthetic or~~
18 ~~peri-analgesic period;~~

19 (6) ~~induce and maintain anesthesia or analgesia at the required levels;~~

20 (7) ~~support life functions during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic~~
21 ~~period;~~

22 (8) ~~recognize and take appropriate action with respect to patient~~
23 ~~responses during the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic period;~~

24 (9) ~~manage the patient's emergence from anesthesia or analgesia; and~~

25 (10) ~~participate in the life support of the patient~~ *may practice as an*
26 *independent advanced practice registered nurse to the full extent of the*
27 *licensee's education and qualifications.*

28 (b) ~~Each~~A registered nurse anesthetist may participate in periodic and
29 joint evaluation of services rendered, including, but not limited to, chart
30 reviews, case reviews, patient evaluation and outcome of case statistics
31 *prescribe, procure, select, order and administer any drug consistent with*
32 *such licensee's education and qualifications.*

33 (c) ~~A registered nurse anesthetist shall perform duties and functions~~
34 ~~in an interdependent role as a member of a physician or dentist directed~~
35 ~~health care team.~~

36 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby repealed.

, except that such registered nurse anesthetist shall not perform surgery for the purposes of implantation of medication reservoirs for drug delivery devices

1 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect on and after January 1, 2024, and be
2 in force from and after its publication in the statute book.