

**40-2222. Health coverage; jurisdiction of commissioner; exceptions.** (a) Any person or other entity which provides coverage in this state for medical, surgical, chiropractic, physical therapy, speech pathology, audiology, professional mental health, dental, hospital, or optometric expenses, whether such coverage is by direct payment, reimbursement, or otherwise, shall be presumed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioner of insurance unless the person or other entity:

(1) Is a professional association of architects incorporated in Kansas on October 4, 1954, which provides coverage for the payment of expenses described herein to or for the members of the association or dependents through a trust established November 1, 1986, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(2) is a professional association of dentists incorporated in Kansas on July 3, 1972, which provides coverage for the payment of expenses described herein to or for the members of the association or dependents through a trust established November 1, 1985, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(3) (A) is a trade association of banks incorporated in Kansas on August 9, 1978, which provides coverage for the payment of expenses described herein to or for the members of the association or dependents through a trust established July 1, 1989, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto; or

(B) is a trade organization of banks incorporated in Kansas on June 1, 1982, which provides coverage for expenses described herein to or for members of the association or dependents, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(4) is a trade association of truckers incorporated in Kansas on July 1, 1985, which provides coverage for the payment of expenses described herein to or for the members of the association or dependents through a trust established January 1, 1990, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(5) is an association of physicians practicing in the Kansas City metropolitan area, incorporated in Missouri on March 5, 1891, and qualified as a foreign corporation in Kansas on May 19, 1987, which provides coverage for the payment of expenses described herein to or for the members of the association, their employees and dependents through a trust established November 1, 1984, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(6) is organized as a farmers' cooperative under the Kansas cooperative marketing act, K.S.A. 17-1601 et seq., and amendments thereto, on January 13, 1983, and is an association of farmers' cooperatives and other like associations operated on a cooperative basis and their affiliated companies, which provides benefits for employees, and family members of such employees, of such associations, and complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(7) is any other qualified trade, merchant, retail, or professional association or business league incorporated in Kansas which complies with K.S.A. 40-2222a, and amendments thereto;

(8) conclusively shows by submission of an appropriate certificate, license, letter or other document issued by the United States department of labor that such person or entity is not subject to Kansas law; or

(9) conclusively shows that it is subject to the jurisdiction of an agency of this state or the federal government. For purposes of this act, tax exempt status under section 501(c) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986 shall not be deemed to be jurisdiction of the federal government.

(b) For the purposes of this section, a qualified trade, merchant, retail or professional association or business league shall mean any bona fide trade, merchant, retail or professional association or business league that:

(1) Has been in existence for at least five calendar years; and

(2) is comprised of five or more employers.

**History:** L. 1983, ch. 150, § 1; L. 1991, ch. 135, § 1; L. 2013, ch. 27, § 1; L. 2014, ch. 44, § 1; July 1.