

## 2020 Kansas Statutes

**65-28b02. Same; definitions.** As used in the independent practice of midwifery act:

- (a) "Board" means the state board of healing arts.
- (b) "Certified nurse-midwife" means an individual who:
  - (1) Is educated in the two disciplines of nursing and midwifery;
  - (2) is currently certified by a certifying board approved by the state board of nursing; and
  - (3) is currently licensed under the Kansas nurse practice act.
- (c) "Independent practice of midwifery" means the provision of clinical services by a certified nurse-midwife without the requirement of a collaborative practice agreement with a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery when such clinical services are limited to those associated with a normal, uncomplicated pregnancy and delivery, including:
  - (1) The prescription of drugs and diagnostic tests;
  - (2) the performance of episiotomy or repair of a minor vaginal laceration;
  - (3) the initial care of the normal newborn; and
  - (4) family planning services, including treatment or referral of male partners for sexually-transmitted infections.
- (d) The provisions of this section shall become effective on January 1, 2017.

**History:** L. 2016, ch. 92, § 89; July 1.