

65-1136. Intravenous fluid therapy; qualifications of licensed practical nurses to administer; definitions; rules and regulations; advisory committee established; prohibitions; exceptions. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Provider" means a person who is approved by the board to administer an examination and to offer an intravenous fluid therapy course which has been approved by the board.

(2) "Person" means an individual, organization, agency, institution or other legal entity.

(3) "Examination" means an intravenous fluid therapy competency examination approved by the board.

(4) "Supervision" means provision of guidance by a qualified nurse for the accomplishment of a nursing task or activity with initial direction of the task or activity and periodic inspection of the actual act of accomplishing the task or activity.

(b) A licensed practical nurse may perform a limited scope of intravenous fluid therapy under the supervision of a registered professional nurse.

(c) A licensed practical nurse may perform an expanded scope of intravenous fluid therapy under the supervision of a registered professional nurse, if the licensed practical nurse:

(1) Successfully completes an intravenous fluid therapy course given by a provider and passes an intravenous fluid therapy examination administered by a provider; or

(2) has had one year clinical experience, has performed intravenous fluid therapy prior to July 1, 1995, and has successfully passed an examination; or

(3) has successfully completed an intravenous fluid therapy course and passed an intravenous fluid therapy examination not administered by a provider and, upon application to the board for review and approval of such course and examination, the board has determined that such course and examination meets or exceeds the standards required under this act for an approved course and approved examination; or

(4) prior to July 1, 2001, qualified under paragraph (3) of this subsection (c), as such subsection existed immediately prior to July 1, 2001, to perform an expanded scope of intravenous fluid therapy.

(d) The board may adopt rules and regulations:

(1) Which define the limited and expanded scope of practice of intravenous fluid therapy which may be performed by a licensed practical nurse under the supervision of a registered professional nurse;

(2) which restricts specific intravenous fluid therapy practices;

(3) which prescribe standards for an intravenous fluid therapy course and examination required of a provider;

(4) which govern provider record requirements;

(5) which prescribe the procedure to approve, condition, limit and withdraw approval as a provider; and

(6) which further implement the provisions of this section.

(e) An advisory committee of not less than two board members and five nonboard members shall be established by the board to advise and assist the board in implementing this section as determined by the board. The advisory committee shall meet at least annually. Members of the advisory committee shall receive amounts provided for in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 75-3223 and amendments thereto for each day of actual attendance at any meeting of the advisory committee or any subcommittee meeting of the advisory committee authorized by the board.

(f) No licensed practical nurse shall perform intravenous fluid therapy unless qualified to perform intravenous fluid therapy under this section and rules and regulations adopted by the board.

(g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the performance of intravenous fluid therapy by a registered professional nurse.

(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit performance of intravenous fluid therapy by a licensed practical nurse when performed by delegation of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or dentistry.

(i) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas nurse practice act.

History: L. 1994, ch. 218, § 1; L. 2000, ch. 113, § 3; L. 2001, ch. 161, § 7; July 1.