

The Nurse Practice Act: An Overview for Nurses
Learning Module
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Purpose:

Upon completion of this learning module, the nurse will have a basic understanding of the Kansas nurse practice act. This activity will explore what the nurse practice act is, what it means to a staff nurse's practice and where to find answers to practice questions. Also, information about the Kansas State Board of Nursing and its role with nursing practice will be given.

Objectives:

Upon completion of the learning module, the nurse should be able to:

1. State the purpose of the Kansas nurse practice act.
2. Describe what the nurse practice act means to the staff nurse.
3. Identify how and where to find answers to practice related questions.
4. Discuss the role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing in relation to nursing practice.

Directions:

Read the entire module and complete the post-test questions. For Continuing Nursing Education credit, the post-test must be completed with a score of 100% correct. Submit the completed post-test to Education Services for **2 contact hours** credit. You will need to complete the self-study roster.

Check each of the items you are enclosing:

- Roster with your signature and required information to receive contact hours.
- Completed module post-test and evaluation
- Fee: Non Employees **\$40.00**, Via Christi employees **\$20.00**.
- **The post-test must be completed with a score of 100%** before the certificate of completion will be issued. You will be notified if your test score is not 100%.
Corrections must be made via email.
- Via Christi Education staff will mail the original certificate directly to the Kansas State Board of Nursing. You will receive a copy of the certificate.
- **PLEASE NOTE: Payment accepted only with a money order payable to Via Christi Hospital.**
- **Expediting Fee: There is a \$10.00 expediting fee for post-tests that need to be processed immediately, also payable only with a money order.**
- Please send these materials to:

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Self-Study
2.0 Contact hours

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Name of KSBN Investigator or Attorney **(REQUIRED)**: _____

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POST TEST

1. The intent of the Kansas Nurse Practice Act is to:
 - a) Protect the public from incompetent nursing practice.
 - b) Describe the duties which a nurse can and cannot perform.
 - c) Protect nurses from questionable employment practices and/or discrimination.
 - d) A & B
 - e) All of the above.

2. The Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN) is composed of eleven members appointed by the governor to serve four year terms. Board members include:
 - a) APRN
 - b) LPNs and RNs
 - c) Representatives of nursing service and nursing education
 - d) Members of the public
 - e) All of the above
 - f) A, B, & D only

3. If a nurse is found to be negligent, incompetent, or guilty of unprofessional conduct, the KSBN may take which of the following actions:
 - a) Deny or revoke licensure
 - b) Limit or suspend licensure
 - c) Publicly or privately censure the nurse
 - d) Any of the above
 - e) None of the above

4. Changes to *The Nurse Practice Act* are communicated through the official publication of the KSBN which is published quarterly and mailed to all nurses in the state of Kansas. Copies are archived on the KSBN website – www.ksbn.org. The name of the official publication is:
 - a) *Kansas Nurse*
 - b) *Nursing Newsletter*
 - c) *KSBN Newsletter*
 - d) *Nursing Image*

5. The Kansas Nurse Practice Act addresses the statutes governing the practice of:
 - a) RNs, LPNs, LMHTs, PCAs
 - b) LPNs, LMHTs, EMTs, SWs
 - c) LMHTs, EMTs, CNAs, PVAs
 - d) RNs, LPNs, LMHTs, APRNs

6. The KSBN requires all licensees to notify the board in writing of address changes, name changes, and final convictions of a felony or misdemeanor:
 - a) Within 30 days
 - b) Within 60 days
 - c) Within 90 days
 - d) At the time of next renewal

7. All application information is submitted under penalty of perjury. Providing false or inaccurate information to the KSBN is a violation of the Nurse Practice Act. If you provide an untruthful answer on your application for license renewal and have NOT completed the required 30 hours of continuing education, which of the following statements is FALSE?
 - a) The licensee is instructed not to practice between the effective date of the summary order issued by the Assistant Attorney General and the granting of the reinstatement license.
 - b) The licensee will be required to complete continuing education on the Kansas Nurse Practice Act as part of the required 30 hours of continuing education.
 - c) No temporary permit will be granted to complete the reinstatement process.
 - d) The licensee is required, upon filing a reinstatement application and the appropriate fee, to complete continuing education on The Kansas Nurse Practice Act in addition to the required 30 of continuing education.

8. If your license has lapsed and you are actively employed as an RN or LPN, you should:
 - a) Go to work and make application for reinstatement before the end of the month.
 - b) Go to work but tell your manager you cannot pass medications until further notice.
 - c) Immediately notify your manager of your lapsed license.
 - d) Call in sick until you have your license reinstated.

9. Which of the following constitute “unprofessional conduct” according to the Kansas Nurse Practice Act?
 - a) Failing to follow your institutions policies and procedures designed to safeguard each patient.
 - b) Inaccurately recording, falsifying, or altering any record of a patient.
 - c) Any form of physical, sexual or verbal abuse related to the licensee’s practice
 - d) Failing to submit to a mental or physical exam or an alcohol or drug screen when so ordered by the board.
 - e) A, B, and C only.
 - f) All of the above

10. Mary Jo Smith is registered nurse who was born on 3/16/1976 and has been licensed in Kansas since 1997. Her license will expire on:
 - a) March 1, 2018
 - b) March 31, 2018
 - c) March 16, 2017
 - d) March 31, 2017

11. Which of the following are eligible for continuing education credit?
- A board-approved refresher course for license renewal.
 - A college course in literature and composition as part of the general education requirements for a degree.
 - In-service education and on-the-job training.
 - First-time preparation and presentation as an instructor.
12. Nurses are required to complete 30 hours of continuing education (defined as participation in a learning experience) every two years in order to maintain a current license in the state of Kansas. Those hours are converted and awarded in increments of:
- CNE awards
 - Contact hours
 - CEUs
 - Contact credits
13. "Supervision" of delegated nursing procedures is defined as:
- Provision of guidance by a qualified nurse for the accomplishment of a nursing task or activity with initial direction and periodic inspection
 - Direct observation by a qualified nurse of the task or activity assigned to a designated unlicensed person
 - The availability of a qualified nurse to respond upon request of the unlicensed person assigned to complete the nursing task or activity
 - None of the above
14. LPNs may perform *a limited scope* of intravenous fluid therapy under the supervision of a registered professional nurse including monitoring infusions and maintaining flow rates. According to KAS 65-1136, LPNs may perform an *expanded scope* of intravenous fluid therapy under the supervision of a registered professional nurse after completing an approved IV fluid therapy course. All LPNs, however, are prohibited from administering which of the following by intravenous route?
- Blood and blood products including albumin
 - Investigational medications
 - Anesthetics
 - All of the above
15. Completion of an approved Refresher Course is required:
- When a license has lapsed for 5 years or more
 - When seeking a transfer of license from one state to another
 - When directly requested by your employer
 - Following disciplinary action by the KSBN

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Self-study Module Evaluation

We are interested in improving our self-study learning modules based on feedback from participants. Your ideas are critical in this process. Please respond to all questions and include specific comments in the space provided.

Review the program as a whole.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
1. The content provided information that I wanted.					
2. The material was presented in an understandable manner.					
3. The format of the material was presented in an understandable manner.					
The following objectives were met: After completing the self-study module, the participant will be able to:					
1. State the purpose of the Kansas Nurse Practice Act.					
2. Describe what the nurse practice act means to the staff nurse.					
3. Identify how and where to find answers to practice related questions.					
4. Discuss the role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing in regulating nursing practice.					
	Poor	Fair	Average	Good	Excellent
How would you rate this self-study module as compared to others you have completed?					

Written comments about the self-study module:

1. What did you find most helpful to you?

2. What other modules related to this topic would be helpful?

3. How will you apply the knowledge/skills you have gained to the work setting?

4. Was the self-study module approach to learning convenient for you? _____
5. What is your major field of practice (teaching hospital, community hospital, homehealth, hospice, etc.)?

6. Additional comments, criticisms or suggestions:

