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Chapter 65.--PUBLIC HEALTH

Article 11.--REGULATION OF NURSING

65-1124. Acts which are not prohibited. No provisions of this law shall be construed as prohibiting:

- (a) Gratuitous nursing by friends or members of the family;
- (b) the incidental care of the sick by domestic servants or persons primarily employed as housekeepers;
- (c) caring for the sick in accordance with tenets and practices of any church or religious denomination which teaches reliance upon spiritual means through prayer for healing;
- (d) nursing assistance in the case of an emergency;
- (e) the practice of nursing by students as part of a clinical course offered through a school of professional or practical nursing or program of advanced registered professional nursing approved in the United States or its territories;
- (f) the practice of nursing in this state by legally qualified nurses of any of the other states as long as the engagement of any such nurse requires the nurse to accompany and care for a patient temporarily residing in this state during the period of one such engagement not to exceed six months in length, and as long as such nurses do not represent or hold themselves out as nurses licensed to practice in this state;
- (g) the practice by any nurse who is employed by the United States government or any bureau, division or agency thereof, while in the discharge of official duties;
- (h) auxiliary patient care services performed in medical care facilities, adult care homes or elsewhere by persons under the direction of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a person licensed to practice dentistry or the supervision of a registered professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse;
- (i) the administration of medications to residents of adult care homes or to patients in hospital-based long-term care units, including state operated institutions for the mentally retarded, by an unlicensed person who has been certified as having satisfactorily completed a training program in medication administration approved by the secretary of health and environment and has completed the program on continuing education adopted by the secretary, or by an unlicensed person while engaged in and as a part of such training program in medication administration;
- (j) the practice of mental health technology by licensed mental health technicians as authorized under the mental health technicians' licensure act;
- (k) performance in the school setting of nursing procedures when delegated by a licensed professional nurse in accordance with the rules and regulations of the board;

(l) performance of attendant care services directed by or on behalf of an individual in need of in-home care as the terms "attendant care services" and "individual in need of in-home care" are defined under K.S.A. 65-6201 and amendments thereto;

(m) performance of a nursing procedure by a person when that procedure is delegated by a licensed nurse, within the reasonable exercise of independent nursing judgment and is performed with reasonable skill and safety by that person under the supervision of a registered professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse;

(n) the practice of nursing by an applicant for Kansas nurse licensure in the supervised clinical portion of a refresher course;

(o) the practice of nursing by graduates of approved schools of professional or practical nursing pending the results of the first licensure examination scheduled following such graduation but in no case to exceed 120 days, whichever comes first; or

(p) the teaching of the nursing process in this state by legally qualified nurses of any of the other states while in consultation with a licensed Kansas nurse as long as such individuals do not represent or hold themselves out as nurses licensed to practice in this state.

History: L. 1949, ch. 331, § 13; L. 1963, ch. 314, § 9; L. 1975, ch. 316, § 11; L. 1978, ch. 241, § 1; L. 1983, ch. 207, § 4; L. 1983, ch. 208, § 3; L. 1987, ch. 234, § 1; L. 1989, ch. 191, § 3; L. 1990, ch. 222, § 1; L. 1992, ch. 134, § 1; L. 1994, ch. 149, § 3; L. 1995, ch. 97, § 3; L. 1997, ch. 158, § 5; L. 2000, ch. 113, § 1; July 1.
