Kansas State Board of Healing Arts Guidance for Healthcare Professionals in Kansas

**KSBHA EMERGENCY ACTIONS AND GUIDANCE STATEMENTS TO FACILITATE IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO CARE DURING THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION PERIOD**

In light of unique challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (“Board”) has identified ways the Board can contribute to the capacity of our state’s healthcare system to respond to COVID-19 consistent with Kansas law and relevant executive orders. The Board will continuously assess the situation as it develops.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION DEADLINE EXTENSIONS**

The Board had extended continuing education deadlines until 90 days following the termination of the State of Disaster Emergency declaration due to disruptions in the ability to obtain the required continuing education caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The State of Disaster Emergency ended June 15, 2021. **This means licensees who renewed from March 2020 to July 2021 and were unable to obtain the required continuing education due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic must complete the required continuing education by September 13, 2021. The Board will verify compliance by auditing an undetermined percentage of renewed licenses at the expiration of the 90 day period.**

**CONTINUING EDUCATION IN-PERSON REQUIREMENT WAIVER**

The Board is waiving enforcement of any regulations requiring in-person continuing education for all healthcare professions its licenses. For any professions licensed by the Board, all in-person continuing education requirements can be satisfied by live, online continuing education until December 31, 2021. The Board will reassess this waiver at the December 10, 2021, board meeting.

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