

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 34.—Hospitals

28-34-139. Recovery procedures; discharge.

(a) Each applicant and each licensee shall ensure that written policies and procedures are developed and implemented for the post-procedure care of patients who are administered local anesthesia, analgesia, or sedation, including the following:

(1) Immediate post-procedure care for each patient shall consist of observation in a supervised recovery area.

(2) The vital signs and bleeding of each patient shall be monitored by a physician or a health professional.

(3) Each patient shall remain in the recovery area following the abortion procedure for the following time periods, based on the gestational age of the unborn child:

(A) For a gestational age of 12 weeks or less, a minimum of 30 minutes;

(B) for a gestational age of 13 to 15 weeks, a minimum of 45 minutes; and

(C) for a gestational age of 16 weeks or more, a minimum of 60 minutes. The patient shall remain in the recovery area for a longer period of time when necessary based on the physician's evaluation of the patient's medical condition.

(b) Each licensee shall ensure that a physician or an individual designated by a physician shall discuss Rho(d) immune globulin with each patient for whom it is indicated and assure that it is offered to the patient in the immediate post-procedure period or that it will be available to the patient within 72 hours after completion of the abortion procedure. If the patient refuses the Rho(d) immune globulin, the refusal shall be documented on a form approved by the department, signed by the patient and a witness, and filed in the medical record of the patient.

(c) At the time of discharge from the facility, each patient shall receive the following written information:

(1) Signs of possible complications;

(2) when to access medical care in response to complications;

- (3) the telephone number to call in an emergency;
- (4) instructions and precautions for resuming vaginal intercourse; and
- (5) any other instructions specific to a patient's abortion or condition.

(d) Each licensee shall ensure that a physician signs the discharge order for each patient.

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