

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 56.—Reporting of Induced Terminations of Pregnancy

28-56-1. Definitions.

Each of the following terms shall have the meaning assigned in this regulation:

(a) "Abortion" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-6701, and amendments thereto.

(b) "Abortion provider" means a physician that performs an abortion, a clinic comprised of legally or financially affiliated physicians, a hospital, or any other medical care facility where an abortion is performed.

(c) "Abortion report" means the information required to be submitted by an abortion provider to the department either electronically or on a paper form provided by the department.

(d) "Clinical estimate of gestation" means the number of completed weeks of gestation of an unborn child as determined through a sonogram.

(e) "Confidential code number" means a random five-digit identification number, along with subcategory letters, assigned by the department to an abortion provider for the purpose of submitting an abortion report to the department.

(f) "Correction" means the act of providing information to the department to correct errors or provide missing information to an abortion report.

(g) "Department" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-6701, and amendments thereto.

(h) "Electronic abortion reporting system" means the department's vital events reporting system through which abortion reports are submitted electronically to the department.

(i) "Failed abortion" means an abortion procedure that was initiated but not completed and resulted in a live birth.

(j) "Failed abortion report" means the information on a failed abortion required to be submitted by the abortion provider to the department on a paper form provided by the department.

(k) "Hospital" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto.

(l) "ICD-9-CM" means volumes one and two, office edition, of the 2011 clinical modification of the "international classification of diseases," ninth revision, sixth edition, published by practice management information corporation, which is used to code and classify morbidity data from inpatient and outpatient records, physician offices, and most surveys from the national center for health statistics. This document, including the appendices, is hereby adopted by reference.

(m) "Late term" means the clinical estimate of gestation of at least 22 completed weeks.

(n) "Late term affidavit" means a department-provided form for each abortion that occurs at a clinical estimate of gestation of at least 22 weeks. The referring physician and the physician performing the abortion shall each submit a separate form, which shall be completed, signed, and notarized and shall meet the requirements of K.A.R. 28-56-6.

(o) "Live birth" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-2401, and amendments thereto.

(p) "Medical basis" means the specific medical signs, symptoms, history, or other information provided by the patient or the results of clinical examinations, procedures, or laboratory tests used to make a medical diagnosis.

(q) "Medical care facility" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto.

(r) "Medical diagnosis" means a specific medical condition or disease as determined by a physician.

(s) "Medical emergency" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-4a01, and amendments thereto.

(t) "Partial birth abortion" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-6721, and amendments thereto.

(u) "Physician" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-6701, and amendments thereto.

(v) "Physician's report on number of certifications received" means a monthly report that shall be submitted to the department on a form provided by the department specifying the number of voluntary and informed consent forms certified by each patient and received by the physician before the patient is to receive an abortion.

(w) "Referring physician" means a physician who refers a patient to an abortion provider and who is required to provide a late term affidavit.

(x) "Requirements related to reporting abortions" means the department's handbook containing instructions describing how abortions shall be reported to the department, either on a paper form or electronically, and copies of applicable state statutes and regulations.

(y) "Unborn child" means a living individual organism of the species *Homo sapiens*, in utero, at any stage of gestation from fertilization to birth.

(z) "User agreement" means the required document that entitles each abortion provider or the designee to access the department's electronic abortion reporting system.

(aa) "Viable" has the meaning specified in K.S.A. 65-6701, and amendments thereto.

(bb) "Voluntary and informed consent form" means the form provided by the department that is signed by the patient authorizing an abortion provider to perform an abortion.

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