

Kansas Administrative Regulations

State Board of Nursing

Article 17.—Advanced Nursing Program

60-17-102. Requirements for initial approval.

(a) Administration and organization.

(1) Each advanced nursing program or the institution of which it is a part shall be a legally constituted body. The controlling body shall be responsible for general policy and shall provide the financial support for the advanced nursing program.

(2) Authority and responsibility for administering the advanced nursing program shall be vested in the dedicated nurse administrator who has sufficient administrative time and support to achieve and maintain positive program and student outcomes.

(3) The advanced nursing program shall be accredited, be part of an institution that is accredited, or be in the process of being accredited by an agency that is approved by the United States department of education.

(b) Application. Each proposed advanced nursing program shall submit an initial application at least 60 days before a scheduled Kansas state board of nursing board meeting. The application shall include all of the following:

- (1) The course of study and credential to be conferred;
- (2) the name and title of the administrator of the advanced nursing program;
- (3) the name of the controlling body;
- (4) the name and title of the administrator of the controlling body;
- (5) the organizational chart;
- (6) all sources of financial support, including a three-year budget;
- (7) a proposed curriculum, indicating the total number of hours of both theoretical and clinical instruction;
- (8) the program objectives or outcomes;
- (9) the number, qualifications, and assignments of faculty members;
- (10) the faculty policies;
- (11) the admission requirements;

(12) a copy of the current school bulletin or catalog;

(13) a description of clinical facilities and client census data;

(14) each contractual agreement, which shall be signed at least three months before the first date on which students may enroll. Each hospital and agency serving as an affiliating agency providing facilities for clinical experience shall be licensed or accredited by the appropriate credentialing groups;

(15) the program evaluation plan; and

(16) a proposed date of initial admission of students to the advanced nursing program.

(c) Each advanced nursing program shall have a site visit to validate information submitted in the program's application before granting approval, with the exception of nurse anesthesia programs, as determined by K.A.R. 60-13-103.

(1) During each site visit, the nurse administrator shall make available all of the following:

(A) Administrators, prospective faculty and students, affiliating agencies, representatives, preceptors, and support services personnel to discuss the advanced nursing program;

(B) faculty meeting minutes;

(C) faculty and student handbooks;

(D) policies and procedures;

(E) curriculum materials;

(F) a copy of the advanced nursing program's budget; and

(G) contractual agreements.

(2) The nurse administrator or designated personnel shall take the site visit team to inspect the nursing educational facilities, including satellite program facilities and library facilities.

(3) Upon completion of the site visit, the nurse administrator shall be asked to correct any inaccurate statements contained in the site visit report, limiting these comments to errors, unclear statements, or omissions.

(d) Each institution wanting to establish an advanced nursing program shall have a site visit and be approved by the board before the admission of any students.

(e) If an advanced nursing program fails to meet the requirements of the board within a designated period of time, the advanced nursing program shall be notified by the board's designee of the board's intent to deny approval.

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