

Kansas Administrative Regulations

State Board of Veterinary Examiners

Article 9.—Impairment

70-9-1. Waiver of continuing education requirement for license renewal under impairment status.

Each applicant for license renewal who wishes to have the required 20 hours of continuing education waived due to impairment of the applicant, as defined in K.S.A. 47-846(c), during the prior license year shall submit a written request to the board.

(a) An assessment or assessments of the licensee's degree of impairment shall be submitted to the board. The assessment shall be made by a designee of the board or by one or more appropriate, qualified professionals chosen by the licensee and approved by the board. The assessment shall establish the nature of, the prognosis for, and the duration of the licensee's impairment. Based on this assessment, the continuing education requirement may be waived by the board. The licensee may also be subject to restrictions and appropriate conditions established by the board.

(b) If the waiver is issued, the licensee shall sign an affidavit acknowledging that individual's impairment, and shall agree not to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine beyond the restrictions and conditions placed on the licensee by the board. If the licensee does engage in the practice of veterinary medicine beyond the restrictions and conditions of the board, such action shall be grounds for disciplinary action against the licensee.

(c) The degree of impairment shall be monitored by a designee of the board. Whenever recovery from the impairment is assessed and documented by a designee of the board or by the appropriate, qualified professional chosen by the licensee and approved by the board, the licensee may seek to have the license reinstated, subject to the statutory procedure for reinstatement of a license as stated in K.S.A. 47-832. Such reinstatement shall be subject to completion of all of the continuing education hours waived during the impairment period.

(Authorized by K.S.A. 47-821(a)(3) and 47-829(b); implementing K.S.A. 47-829(b) and 47-848; effective Aug. 22, 1997.)

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