Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 4.—Maternal and Child Health—Birth Centers

28-4-1305. Administration.

(a) Each licensee shall be responsible for the operation of the birth center, including the following:

(1) Establishing and maintaining a written organizational plan, including an organizational chart designating the lines of authority;

(2) providing employees, facilities, equipment, supplies, and services to patients, newborns, and families;

(3) developing and implementing administrative policies and procedures for the operation of the birth center;

(4) developing and implementing policies and procedures for quality assurance;

(5) appointing an administrator to oversee the operation of the birth center;

(6) appointing a clinical director and hiring employees;

(7) appointing an acting clinical director to provide direction and oversight of clinical services in the absence of the clinical director; and

(8) documenting all of the information specified in this subsection.

(b) Each licensee shall ensure that all birth center contracts, agreements, policies, and procedures are reviewed annually and updated as needed.

(c) Each licensee shall ensure the development and implementation of written policies that set out the necessary qualifications for each position and govern employee selection. A job description for each position shall be available at the birth center.

(d) Each licensee shall ensure that all employees are informed of and follow all written policies, procedures, and clinical protocols necessary to carry out their job duties.

(e) Each administrator shall oversee the daily operation and maintenance of the birth center and implement the policies and procedures in compliance with licensing requirements for birth centers.

(f) Each clinical director shall provide direction and oversight of clinical services, including the development and implementation of policies, procedures, and signed protocols regarding all matters related to the medical management of pregnancy, birth, postpartum care, newborn care, and gynecologic health care.

(g) Each licensee shall develop and implement written policies and procedures regarding a patient's options for the disposition or taking of fetal remains if a fetal death occurs.

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