

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Department for Children and Families

Article 22.—Licensing of Psychiatric Hospitals; Funding of Community Mental Health Centers and Facilities for the Mentally Retarded and Facilities for Handicapped Persons

30-22-3. Standards related to program, organization, and personnel.

The standards maintained by the applying agency should conform with those considered reasonable and current in the community served by that agency. Also, separate segments of the program must be evaluated not only in terms of its own intrinsic value to the community but also in terms of its relationship to the total program of that agency. The standards maintained by the applying agency should be reflected in its basic documents, including its articles of incorporation or constitutions, its by-laws, its recorded minutes of regularly scheduled meetings, and its written description of personnel practices. The following guidelines will be followed by the licensing agency in its inspection of the applying agency: (a) The applying agency must specify in writing the services it offers and the manner in which these are routinely accomplished.

(b) The applying agency must make provision for appropriate coordination, communication and collaboration among all personnel.

(c) The governing board must assume the legal and moral responsibility for the conduct of the applying agency. It must place the responsibility for the services offered upon the appropriate specialist, must assume the responsibility that the personnel meet ethical, educational, and training standards commensurate with duties, and must provide a merit system for the protection and benefit of the personnel.

(d) The governing board must assume the responsibility to insure that those functions of the agency that are, properly speaking, medical concerns (such as the diagnosis and treatment of mental and physical disorders, the prescribing of medications, etc.) are the responsibility of licensed physicians or under the supervision of a licensed physician.

(e) In the event the applying agency maintains a psychiatric service, the service shall not be considered complete unless supervised by a recognized, qualified psychiatrist.

(f) In the event the applying agency maintains a psychological service, the service shall not be considered complete unless supervised by a recognized, qualified psychologist.

(g) In the event the applying agency maintains a social work service, the service shall not be considered complete unless supervised by a recognized, qualified social worker.

(h) In the event the applying agency maintains a nursing service, the service shall not be considered complete unless supervised by a recognized, qualified registered nurse.

(i) Any individual reporting to act in a professional capacity must meet the standards for that profession accepted by the division of mental health and retardation services. (Authorized by K.S.A. 1974 Supp. 75-3307b; effective, E-70-16, Feb. 13, 1970; effective Jan. 1, 1971; amended May 1, 1975.)

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