Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 4.—Maternal and Child Health—Infant Toddler Services—I.D.E.A.

28-4-564. Personnel requirements.

(a) Early intervention services shall be provided by qualified personnel.

(b) Qualified personnel shall meet state-approved or state-recognized certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements that apply to the area in which the individual is providing early intervention services.

(1) Each audiologist shall be licensed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services.

(2) Each clinical professional counselor shall be licensed by the Kansas behavioral sciences regulatory board.

(3) Each marriage and family therapist shall be licensed by the Kansas behavioral sciences regulatory board.

(4) Each nurse shall be licensed as a registered professional nurse by the Kansas board of nursing.

(5) Each nutritionist shall be a dietitian licensed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services.

(6) Each occupational therapist shall be licensed by the Kansas board of healing arts.

(7) Each orientation and mobility specialist shall meet the following requirements:

(A) (i) Have at least a bachelor's degree with an orientation and mobility endorsement, from an accredited university or college; or

(ii) have a bachelor's degree from an accredited university or college in any field of study and verification of orientation and mobility certification from an accredited university or college; and

(B) have completed 350 hours of supervised practice as an orientation and mobility specialist that includes direct service hours, related telephone calls, meetings,

observations, and report writing. The practice shall be supervised by a certified orientation and mobility specialist.

(8) Each physician, including each pediatrician, shall be licensed by the Kansas board of healing arts and board-certified in the specialty area.

(9) Each physical therapist shall be licensed by the Kansas board of healing arts.

(10) Each psychologist shall be licensed by the Kansas behavioral sciences regulatory board or licensed as a school psychologist by the Kansas state board of education.

(11) Each family service coordinator shall have a bachelor's degree in education, health studies, nutrition, social welfare, or the human services field and have at least six months of experience in early childhood development. Each individual working as a family service coordinator before June 1, 2013 shall be deemed to have met the education and experience requirements of this paragraph.

(12) Each social worker shall be licensed by the Kansas behavioral sciences regulatory board.

(13) Each special educator and each special instruction provider shall be licensed by the Kansas state board of education in early childhood special education or in early childhood unified education.

(14) Each speech-language pathologist shall be licensed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services.

(15) Each teacher of the hearing-impaired shall be licensed as a teacher of the hearing-impaired by the Kansas state board of education.

(16) Each teacher of the blind and visually impaired shall be licensed as a teacher of the blind and visually impaired by the Kansas state board of education.

(c) The continuing education requirements for licensure, registration, or certification for personnel providing early intervention services shall be determined by the regulatory body governing each profession.

(1) Continuing education shall include discipline or cross-discipline information clearly related to the enhancement of the practice, value, skills, and knowledge of working with children with special needs, from birth through age two, and their families.

(2) If continuing education is a requirement for licensure, certification, or registration renewal, at least one-third of the required number of credits, units, points, or hours shall focus on the content specified in paragraph (c)(1).

(3) If continuing education is not a requirement for licensure, certification, or registration renewal, 24 continuing education hours that focus on the content specified in paragraph (c)(1) and are obtained in a three-year period shall be required.

(d) Aides, assistants, and paraeducators in local tiny-k programs shall work under the supervision of a professional in that discipline according to the standards of that profession.

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