

Kansas State Board of Nursing Monthly Update

February 26, 2021

The mission of the Board of Nursing is to assure the citizens of Kansas safe and competent practice by nurses and mental health technicians



Due to social distancing requirements, we must limit the number in our lobby to no more than 2 at a time. It is highly recommended that you conduct your business with the Board of Nursing via online services, mail, phone call, email or by making an appointment (785-296-2967). There is a secure drop box located outside of the agency that is available for anyone to drop off documents for the Board of Nursing. There is a button to push by the agency door to gain access to the agency. KSBN NO longer performs fingerprinting services in the agency. There is a [list of the sites with contact information on our website](#). The majority of staff continue to telework to decrease possible exposure. The best way to contact them is via their email. You may find our direct agency contact information listed under [Staff Directory](#) on our website. Please continue to follow our website and social media [[Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)] and our [COVID-19 Information Center](#) for agency updates and frequently asked questions.

- ⇒ **Senate Bill 14:** Senate Bill 14 was passed by the Legislature, signed by Gov. Kelly and took effect on January 25, 2021. It extends the state of disaster emergency through March 31, 2021. Here is a link to SB 14 on our website:
- ⇒ **Executive Order No. 21-06:** [Executive Order No. 21-06 was signed by Governor Kelly on 2-23-2021](#). It covers temporary authorization for additional vaccinators during the state of disaster emergency. It states the following: the temporary grant of authority applies to any Kansas pharmacist, pharmacy student or intern, podiatrist, dentist, dental hygienist, physician's assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, nurse, advanced emergency medical technician, emergency medical technician, and paramedic or any of the above professional who are allowed to practice in the State during the public health emergency involving COVID-19 who may administer injections or inoculations within their scope of practice. This authority is limited to those professionals who have successfully completed: 1) a course of study and training in vaccination storage, protocols, injection technique, emergency procedures, and recordkeeping as part of their profession; and 2) have taken a course in cardiopulmonary (CPR) for humans and have a current certificate when administering the vaccine.
- ⇒ The CDC has a course of study that meets the criteria listed above. Here is the link to the information: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/courses.html>. This is the link to the page in which you need to register with the TCEO system to access the modules and take the post course test. A certificate will then be issued.
- ⇒ Nursing regulatory bodies have seen an increase in spear phishing attempts targeting nurses. Be aware and review our seven important tips. Read the statement by NCSBN and learn how to recognize spear phishing attempts and how to protect yourself: <https://www.ncsbn.org/NCSBNAlert-SpearPhishing-final.pdf> [NCSBN (2020) Retrieved from [ncsbn.org](https://www.ncsbn.org)]

Seven Things Nurses Need to Know about Spear Phishing Scams

1. If you receive an unsolicited call, hang up. Use verified numbers for contacting your board of nursing (BON).
2. Never give out personal information on a call unless you know the source is legitimate.
3. Never reply to a text message that seeks to discuss "suspension or revocation of your license."

NCSBN

Seven Things Nurses Need to Know about Spear Phishing Scams

4. Never reply to an email asking for personal information.
5. Never call a number provided to you in a suspicious letter or email.
6. Be aware that the caller ID can be faked and may appear to come from a BON.
7. Report the call, text or letter to the BON.

NCSBN

Thank you for your continued support during these challenging times. Stay safe and healthy!

Carol Moreland, MSN, RN, Executive Administrator