



Kansas State Board of Healing Arts Respiratory Therapy: Licensing

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Roadmap

General Overview of KSBHA

Licensing

COVID-19

Where Do You Intend To Practice?

Kansas

Kansas State Board of Healing Arts

Missouri

Missouri Division of Professional Registration:
Board for Respiratory Care

Nebraska

Nebraska Department of Health and Human
Services

Colorado

Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies:
Colorado Office of Respiratory Therapy

Oklahoma

Oklahoma Medical Board

A stethoscope and a glass mortar and pestle are shown on a wooden surface. The stethoscope is on the left, and the mortar and pestle is on the right. The background is a dark, textured wood.

The Board's Mission

To protect the public by authorizing only those persons who meet and maintain certain qualifications to be licensed in the healthcare professions regulated by the Board.

To protect the public from incompetence or unprofessional conduct by persons who have been licensed to practice in Kansas and from unauthorized practice by persons and entities who have not been licensed to practice in Kansas.



Board Members

Appointed by the Governor

4 year term; 3 term limit

15 total members

- 5 MDs
- 3 DOs
- 3 DCs
- 1 DPM
- 3 public members

Board Meetings



SECOND FRIDAY OF
EVERY OTHER
MONTH
(FEB., APRIL, JUNE,
AUG., OCT., DEC.)



OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC, STREAMED
LIVE ON YOUTUBE,
TELECONFERENCE



NEXT MEETING IS
OCTOBER 9, 2020



JOHN SETTICH, PHD
(PRESIDENT); THOMAS
ESTEP, M.D. (VICE
PRESIDENT)

A group of healthcare professionals, including doctors and nurses, are gathered around a table in a meeting. They are looking at documents and charts. The image is dimly lit, and the number 32,379 is overlaid in large white text in the center.

32,379

KSBHA RT Council

Advises the Board in carrying out the provisions of the RT Practice Act

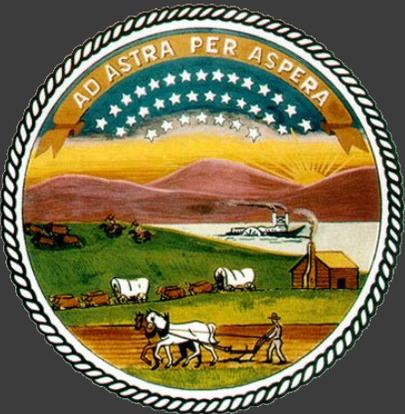
7 council members

- 3 RTs
- 2 Public members
- 1 Physician
- 1 Board President or designee

Meetings held quarterly

- Next meeting is October 1, 2020

KSBHA Department Overview



Licensing Department Overview



Applications

Initial, Renewal,
Reinstatements &
Conversions



Maintenance

Upkeep of licensee
information in the
agency database



Point of Contact

Main point of contact
throughout the
application process



License Verification

Verification of
licensure to state
boards, employers,
and other third parties

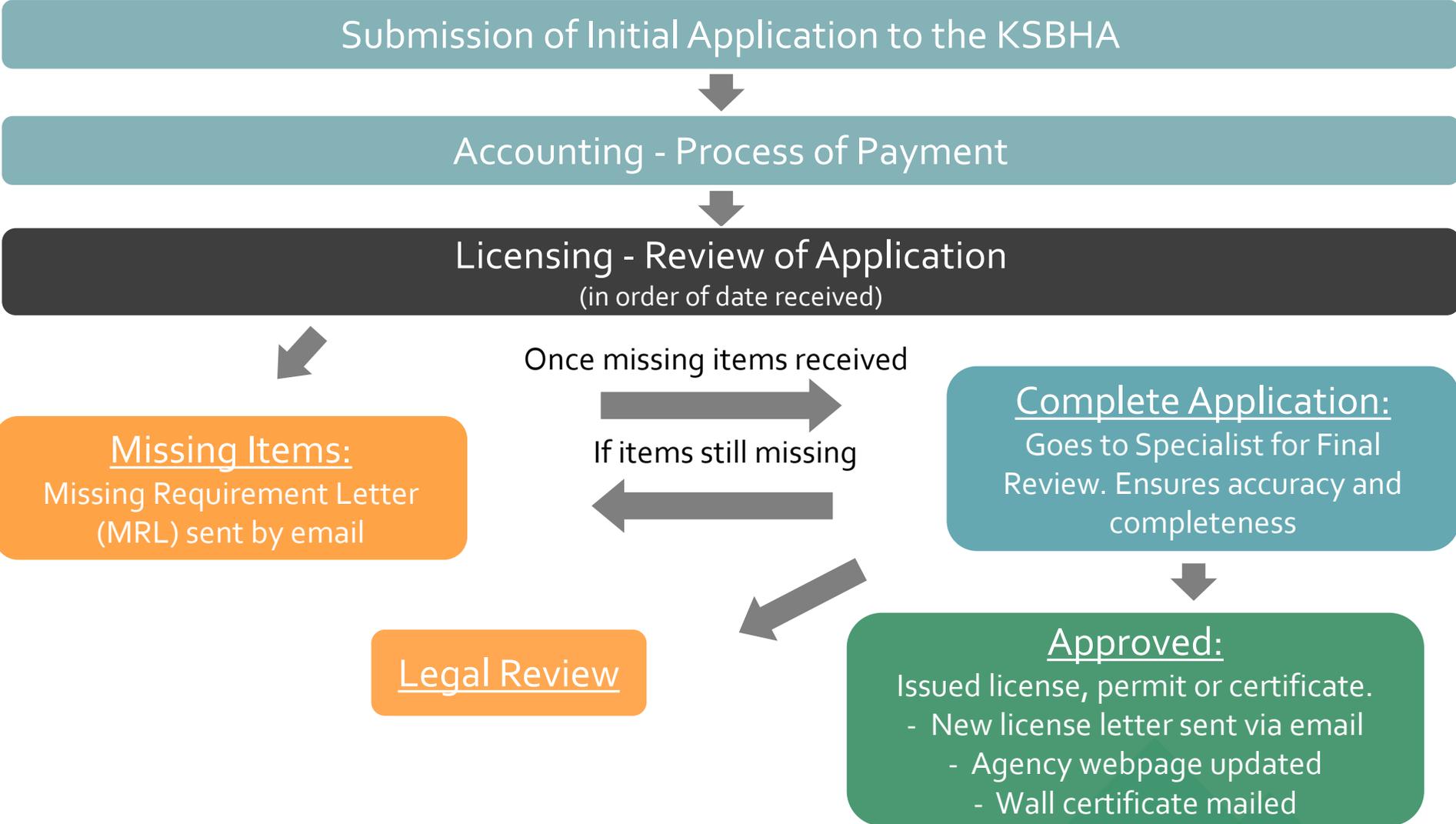


Presentations

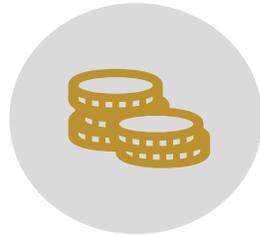
Outreach and
education
presentations

A P P L I C A T I O N

Application Process



Respiratory Therapy License Application



\$80 APPLICATION
\$25 TEMP
\$15 SPECIAL PERMIT
\$3 NPDB



APPLY 2-3
MONTHS PRIOR TO
GRADUATION



WWW.KSBHA.ORG

An anatomical diagram of the human venous system, titled "Veins of the Body". The diagram shows the head, neck, and upper torso, with various veins labeled. A stethoscope with a blue tube and silver chest piece is overlaid on the diagram. The chest piece is positioned over the neck area, and the tube extends across the upper torso. Labels include: Internal jugular, External jugular, Subclavian, Brachiocephalic, Axillary, Cephalic, Brachial, Basilic, Radial, Ulnar, Great saphenous, Anterior tibial, and Posterior tibial. Other labels on the left side include: Inferior vena cava, Hepatic, Renal, Inferior vena cava, Common iliac, Internal iliac, and External iliac. The title "Veins of the Body" is at the bottom right.

Special Permit

Available to students enrolled in an approved school of respiratory therapy.

- Must be under the supervision of licensed RT
- Expires 30 days after date of graduation or otherwise ceases to be enrolled
- Identify yourself as a "Student Respiratory Therapist" or "Student RT"

Temporary License

Available to applicants who meet all requirements for licensure but have not yet taken the NBRC exam.

- A Letter of Completion will be accepted in lieu of an official transcript.
- Only one temporary license may be issued; expires 6 months after the date of issuance or upon receipt of licensure, whichever occurs first.



Application Requirements

- ✓ Fees
- ✓ Full legal name and all other names used
- ✓ Contact information
- ✓ All postsecondary schools attended
- ✓ All employment during the past 5 years
- ✓ All healthcare licenses, registrations or certifications
- ✓ Recommendation by a peer (1+ years)
- ✓ Professional school certification with school seal or notary
- ✓ Recent wallet sized photo (2x3)
- ✓ Attestation questions (+ documentation if "yes")
- ✓ Signed and notarized Oath
- ✓ Signed and notarized Third Party Release
- ✓ Official transcript with final degree awarded
- ✓ Exam scores from NBRC

Application Guidance & Tips

Application Submission

- Consider tracking or signature confirmation service for mailed items
- Allow at least 2 weeks for the application to be processed
- Analyst will contact you via email after the application has been reviewed
- Applications will not be fully processed if fees are not included



Information & Documents

- Complete all portions of the application in full
- Ensure documents are primary source received, when applicable
- Provide supporting documents for any “yes” answers on attestation questions
- Submit documentation of name change if more than one name is used



Processing Time

- Time of issuance will vary
- Longest delay is waiting for 3rd party documents
- If application is sent for legal review expect a delay
- Stay in contact with the analyst processing your application
- Ensure we have the most current contact information

Renewal

- Annual renewal
- February 15 – April 30
- Online (or paper by request) \$72
- Late renewal April 1 – April 30
(additional late fee)
- If licensed prior to January 1, you will renew March of the following year
- If you have not renewed your license, on May 1 your license is cancelled.

Cannot practice on a cancelled license.





Continuing Education

- 12 hours of CEs since April 1 of the previous year
- Continuing education must be related to the field of respiratory therapy or similar area
- If license after Sept. 30 and before March 31, exempt from CEs for first renewal

See K.A.R. 100-55-7 for continuing education requirements for RTs.



Audits

- Random audits for compliance with continuing education.
- If incompliant, you may be subject to disciplinary action.
- If you do not respond to the audit, you may be subject to disciplinary action.



Changes Within the Past Year



Changes to the temporary license final review process



Universal impairment question for initial, renewal, and reinstatement applications for all professions



Restructuring of licensing department in Fall 2019



Wallet cards now available only through the online portal



Online portal button added to website

Changes Ahead...



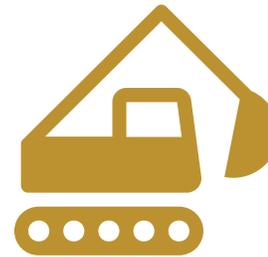
Revising all initial, renewal, reinstatement applications



Creating online initial applications

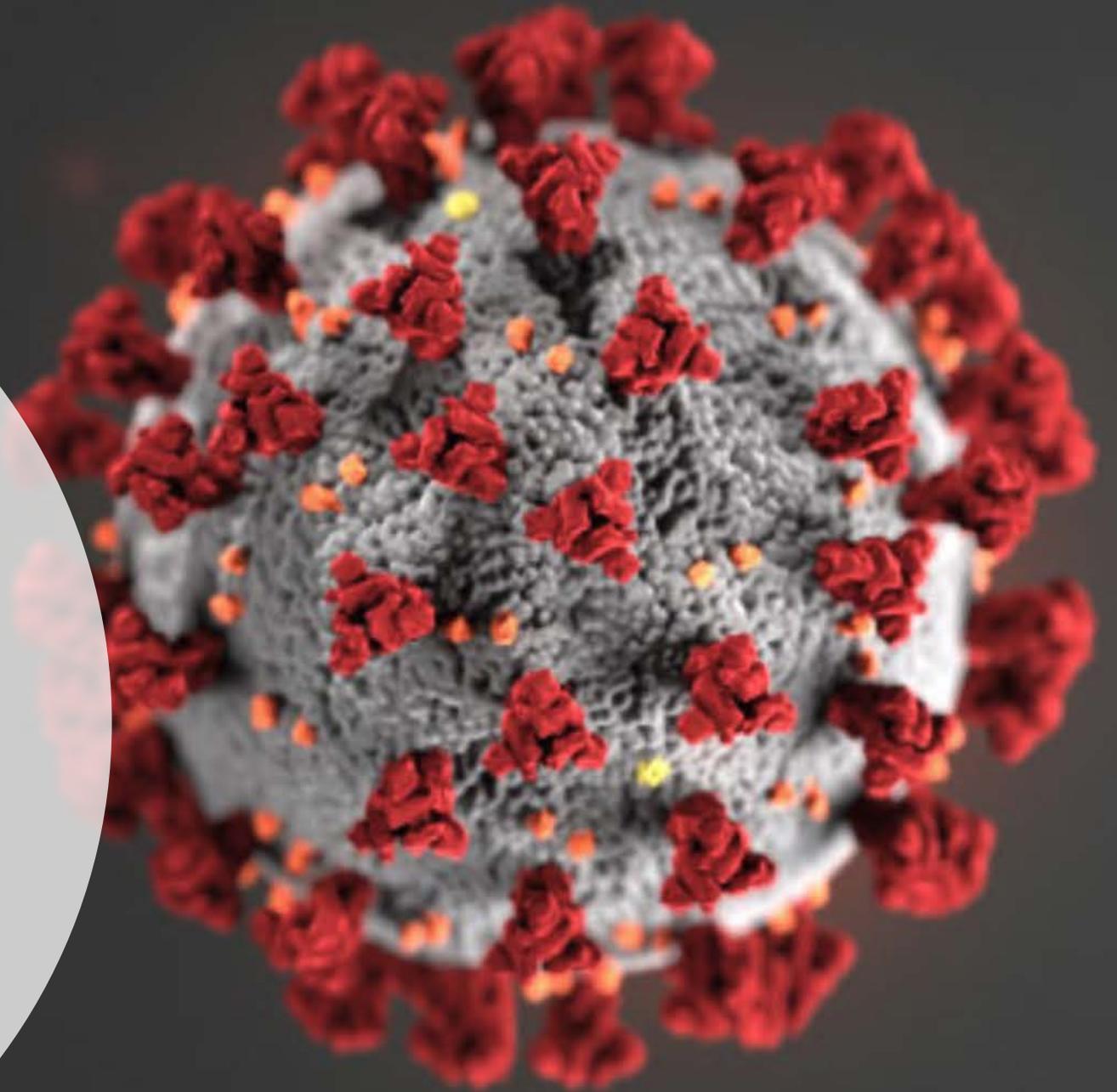


Revisions to FAQs



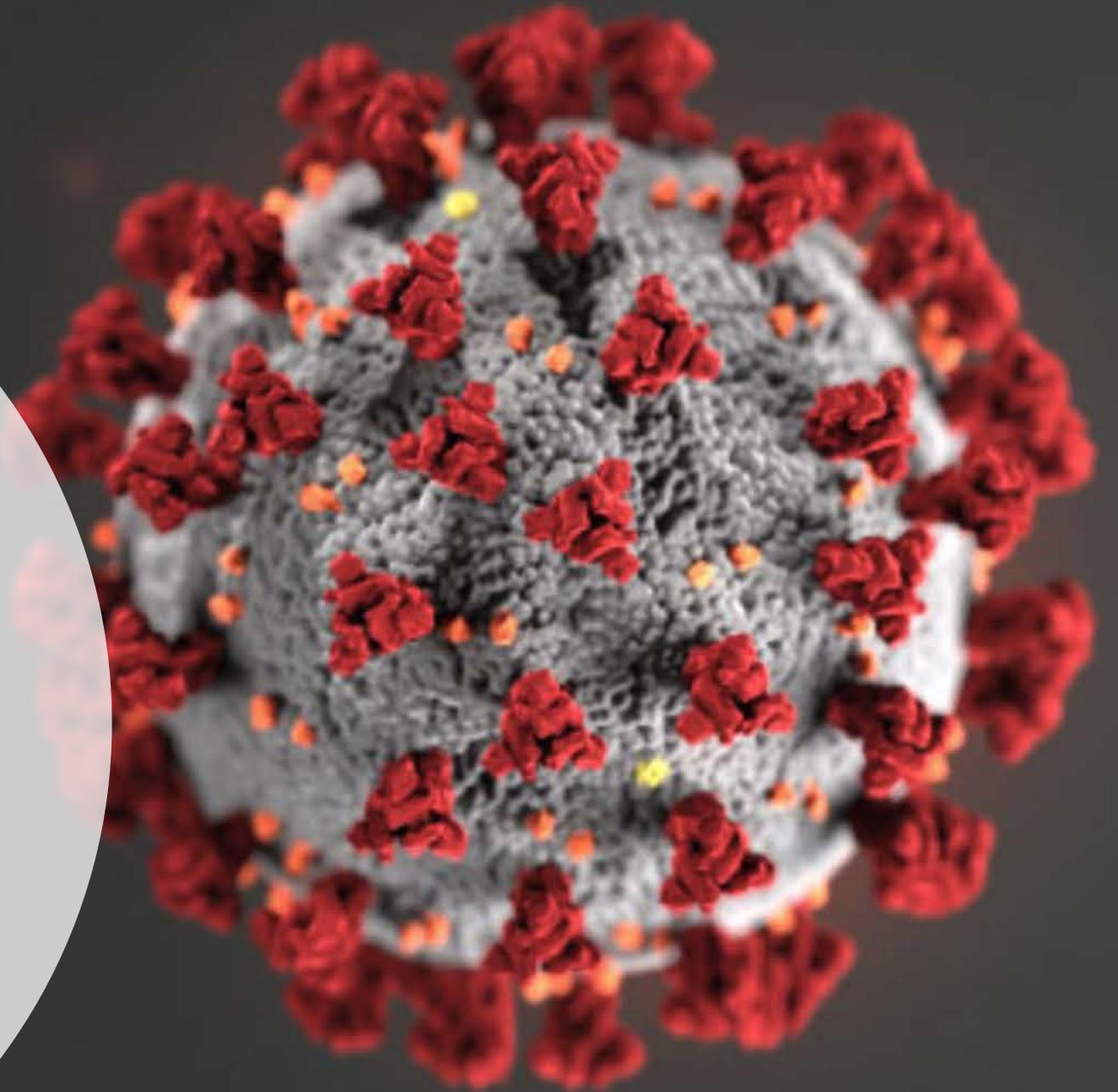
Board Guidance Statements

Technical violations of the Healing Arts Act or other applicable practice act by healthcare providers that do not endanger or defraud the public, which are committed in the course of good faith COVID-19 response efforts during the Kansas emergency declaration period, will generally not be treated as a disciplinary matter by the Board.



Board Guidance Statements

If the Board finds that any licensee has taken advantage of the COVID-19 crisis for personal gain in a fraudulent, misleading, or unethical manner that constitutes unprofessional conduct under the Healing Arts Act, the Board will consider such conduct to be an aggravated violation of the Healing Arts Act or other applicable practice act and will exercise its full authority to impose discipline for such conduct, including suspension or revocation.





COVID-19

KSBHA Updates & Guidance

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A vast field of sunflowers stretches to the horizon under a dramatic sunset sky. The sun is low on the left, casting a warm glow over the scene. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a dark blue at the top, with scattered clouds catching the light. The sunflowers in the foreground are in sharp focus, showing their bright yellow petals and dark brown centers.

Thank you