

Kansas Board of Healing Arts
Radiologic Technology Council Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order:** Called to order by Marie Caldwell at 12:02 p.m.
- II. Roll Call:** Council members present in person or by phone: Marie Caldwell, L.R.T.; Doug Billings, L.R.T.; Melinda Chiroy, L.R.T.; Arin Katzer, D.O.; and Steven Gould, D.C.
- III. Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved without changes.
- IV. Approval of July 14, 2017 Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes without changes. (Chiroy/Billings, carried).
- V. New Business/Discussion:**

Jesse Woltje reported numerous incidents of non-compliance with KDHE regulations. These included repetition of the same continuing education offering, lack of proper radiation shielding, and using family and friends to train on new equipment.

Ms. Caldwell discussed new dental assistant legislation and the possible need to develop an attestation form that these individuals have completed the required CE.

The council discussed generally reporting individuals to Medicare, and that KDHE needs a definition of an x-ray operator.

Ms. Woltje informed the counsel that KDHE cites both KDHE and KSBHA regulations in letters to unlicensed x-ray operators. The council requested that KDHE provide KSBHA information related to the unlicensed individuals it identifies. Image quality surveys identify qualifications of person performing x-rays. Dan Riley suggested that documented safety concerns relating to image quality and radiation exposure would be helpful. Ms. Woltje indicated non-compliance information would be provided.

Ms. Chiroy requested a wallet card. These are no longer provided in hard copy, but should be emailed each renewal cycle.

Ms. Chiroy relayed considerable difficulties locating the renewal application. This is an IT issue. New processes will be implemented in the next renewal cycle.

Doug Billings discussed the possibility of creating limited license types that would apply to individuals who are currently unlicensed. This would require a statutory change. The council discussed that unlicensed individuals need better oversight, but that requiring a license would be difficult because of the difficulty in finding licensed individuals in rural areas. Information on the number of unlicensed providers, their locations, and safety concerns, would be helpful and necessary before moving forward to address this issue.

Minutes from the July 22, 2016 meeting will be included in the next meeting packet for review and approval. These were never approved by the council due to not having a quorum at the November 2016 meeting.

Tucker Poling communicated to the council the question of whether naturopathic doctors were authorized to order radiologic studies. An attorney general opinion has been requested asking whether KSBHA has the authority to determine whether this is within the Naturopathic scope. The radiologic technology act defines practitioners who may order an LRT to perform a radiologic study. A practitioner is defined as a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, dentistry, podiatry or chiropractic in this state.

VI. Old Business:

Regulations requiring CE for unlicensed individual lack a qualitative standard. Regulations can be updated if permitted by statute to provide a qualitative standard. This issue will be addressed during the next council meeting.

1:44 Motion to recess into executive session to discuss attorney client privileged disciplinary cases until 2:00 (Billings/Caldwell, carried)

1:59 PM: Motion to resume the open meeting (Billings/Chiroy, carried)

2:00 PM: Meeting adjourned.