

**STATE OF KANSAS
BOARD OF HEALING ARTS**

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Administrative Regulation

A public hearing will be conducted on Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. in the board room at the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level – Suite A, Topeka, Kansas, to consider a proposed regulation related to applications for licensure pursuant to K.S.A. 48-3406.

This 60-day notice of the public hearing shall constitute a public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comments on the regulation. All interested parties may submit comments prior to the hearing to Courtney Cyzman, General Counsel, at the Board of Healing Arts at the address above, or via e-mail to KSBHA_HealingArts@ks.gov. All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their views, orally or in writing, concerning the proposed regulation during the public hearing. In order to provide all parties with an opportunity to present their views, it may be necessary to request each participant limit any oral presentations to five minutes.

Copies of the proposed regulation and the Economic Impact Statement for the proposed regulation may be obtained from the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level – Suite A, Topeka, Kansas 66612, on the agency website at <http://www.ksbha.org/publicinformation/publicinformation.shtml>, by contacting LeeAnn Hunter-Roach at (785) 296-4502, or by e-mailing the agency at KSBHA_HealingArts@ks.gov.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed regulation being considered and the economic impact statement in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation to participate in the hearing should be made at least five working days in advance of the hearing by contacting Sheila Rice at (785) 296-8558 or at Sheila.Rice@ks.gov. Individuals with hearing and/or speech disabilities may contact the Kansas Relay Center at 800-766-3777 for communication accommodations. Handicapped parking is located on 8th Street and in the building's parking garage. From the street, both the west entrance to the building on Jackson Street and the north entrance on 8th Street are accessible.

A summary of the proposed regulation and the economic impact follows:

K.A.R. 100-6-7 (Application for licensure pursuant to K.S.A. 48-3406.)

This proposed regulation enumerates the application requirements for applicants who qualify for licensure pursuant to 2021 HB 2066, and amendments thereto.

The proposed regulation is a measure taken by the agency to minimize the cost and impact of the regulation on business and economic development by only enumerating requirements that are necessary, while maintaining a high standard of public protection.

This proposed regulation was first discussed in an open Board Meeting of which members of the public, businesses, and stakeholders could attend. The agency has also been in continual communication with state associations, stakeholders, and others regarding our application requirements to be sure we are requiring what is statutorily mandated and what will protect the public, while not including any unnecessary and ineffective requirements. Further, it should be noted that the Board of Healing Arts is comprised of medical practitioners, business owners, and members of the public. The Board of Healing Arts intends to comply with all public hearing requirements involved in the regulation promulgation process.

Although the agency does not employ an economist, the lay opinion of the agency staff is that the economic effect on the affected businesses and business sector would be positive.

Although applicants who qualify for licensure pursuant to 2021 HB 2066 are the only parties that would be directly affected, businesses that employ the healthcare professions licensed and regulated by the Kansas Board of Healing Arts would be indirectly affected.

(See economic impact statement approved by the Department of Budget.)