Kansas Administrative Regulations
Economic Impact Statement (EIS)

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Is/Are the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) mandated by the federal government as a requirement for participating in or implementing a federally subsidized or assisted program?

☐ Yes       If yes, continue to fill out the remaining form to be included with the regulation packet submitted in the review process to the Department of Administration and the Attorney General. Budget approval is not required; however, the Division of the Budget will require submission of a copy of the EIS at the end of the review process.

☒ No        If no, do the total annual implementation and compliance costs for the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s), calculated from the effective date of the rule(s) and regulation(s), exceed $1.0 million over any two-year period through June 30, 2024, or exceed $3.0 million over any two-year period on or after July 1, 2024 (as calculated in Section III, F)?

☐ Yes       If yes, continue to fill out the remaining form to be included with the regulation packet submitted in the review process to the Department of Administration, the Attorney General, AND the Division of the Budget. The regulation(s) and the EIS will require Budget approval.

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Section I

Brief description of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s).

The purpose of these regulations is to effectuate the provisions of the Independent Practice of Midwifery Act, K.S.A. 65-28b01 et seq. Specifically, the proposed regulations establish the application requirements, establish the approved national certification, and continuing education requirements.

Section II

Statement by the agency if the rule(s) and regulation(s) exceed the requirements of applicable federal law, and a statement if the approach chosen to address the policy issue(s) is different from that utilized by agencies of contiguous states or the federal government. (If the approach is different or exceeds federal law, then include a statement of why the proposed Kansas rule and regulation is different.)

The proposed amended regulations are not mandated by federal law and the approach chosen to address the policy issues is not different from that utilized by agencies of contiguous states or the federal government.

Section III

Agency analysis specifically addressing the following:

A. The extent to which the rule(s) and regulation(s) will enhance or restrict business activities and growth;

While a qualified economist would be required to provide an expert opinion of the regulations impact on economic activity and growth, in the lay opinion of agency staff, the regulations enhance business activities by allowing an independent practice alternative for midwives in Kansas.

B. The economic effect, including a detailed quantification of implementation and compliance costs, on the specific businesses, sectors, public utility ratepayers, individuals, and local governments that would be affected by the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) and on the state economy as a whole;

There are routine and expect costs associated with maintaining continuing education required for licensure. The agency is not aware of additional implementation and compliance costs caused by implementing these regulations. The agency is also not aware of any implementation and compliance costs to public utility ratepayers or local governments. While a qualified economist would be required to provide an opinion of the regulations impact on the state economy as a whole, in the lay opinion of agency staff, the regulations enhance business activity by allowing an independent practice alternative for midwives in Kansas.

C. Businesses that would be directly affected by the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s);

Business and solo practitioners that include the services of a licensed independent certified nurse midwife.
D. Benefits of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) compared to the costs;

The benefit of the regulations is that they implement the Act that allows an independent practice alternative for midwives in Kansas and provide another option for Kansas patients seeking care and treatment related to a normal and uncomplicated pregnancy and delivery. There are no expected costs associated with the regulations other than the usual resource costs associated with the process of promulgating regulations.

E. Measures taken by the agency to minimize the cost and impact of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) on business and economic development within the State of Kansas, local government, and individuals;

In the lay opinion of agency staff, there are no expected costs or impact other than usual resource costs associated with the promulgation process.

F. An estimate of the total annual implementation and compliance costs that are reasonably expected to be incurred by or passed along to businesses, local governments, or members of the public.

Note: Do not account for any actual or estimated cost savings that may be realized.

Costs to Affected Businesses – $0
Costs to Local Governmental Units – $0
Costs to Members of the Public – $0

Total Annual Costs – $0
(sum of above amounts)

The estimate is based on lay opinion and rational as described above.

☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☒ Not Applicable

If the total implementation and compliance costs exceed $1.0 million over any two-year period through June 30, 2024, or exceed $3.0 million over any two-year period on or after July 1, 2024, and prior to the submission or resubmission of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s), did the agency hold a public hearing to find that the estimated costs have been accurately determined and are necessary for achieving legislative intent? If applicable, document when the public hearing was held, those in attendance, and any pertinent information from the hearing.

If applicable, click here to enter public hearing information.

Provide an estimate to any changes in aggregate state revenues and expenditures for the implementation of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s), for both the current fiscal year and next fiscal year.

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Provide an estimate of any immediate or long-range economic impact of the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) on any individual(s), small employers, and the general public. If no dollar estimate
can be given for any individual(s), small employers, and the general public, give specific reasons why no estimate is possible.

The agency is not aware of annual implementation cost to these regulations. This estimate is based on lay opinion and rational described above.

G. If the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) increases or decreases revenues of cities, counties or school districts, or imposes functions or responsibilities on cities, counties or school districts that will increase expenditures or fiscal liability, describe how the state agency consulted with the League of Kansas Municipalities, Kansas Association of Counties, and/or the Kansas Association of School Boards.

Although the agency does not employ an economist, the agency does not believe these regulations will meaningfully impact the revenue of cities or school district.

H. Describe how the agency consulted and solicited information from businesses, associations, local governments, state agencies, or institutions and members of the public that may be affected by the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s).

These regulations have been discussed in an open Board meeting of which members of the public, business, and stakeholders could attend. The agency has also had extensive discussions with members of the Independent Practice of Midwifery Advisory council, which is made up of 7 members including four members who are licensed certified nurse midwives appointed by the Board of Nursing. 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.

Section IV

Does the Economic Impact Statement involve any environmental rule(s) and regulation(s)?

☐ Yes □ No

If yes, complete the remainder of Section IV.

If no, skip the remainder of Section IV.

A. Describe the capital and annual costs of compliance with the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s), and the persons who would bear the costs.

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B. Describe the initial and annual costs of implementing and enforcing the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s), including the estimated amount of paperwork, and the state agencies, other governmental agencies, or other persons who would bear the costs.

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C. Describe the costs that would likely accrue if the proposed rule(s) and regulation(s) are not adopted, as well as the persons who would bear the costs and would be affected by the failure to adopt the rule(s) and regulation(s).

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D. Provide a detailed statement of the data and methodology used in estimating the costs used.

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