

2021 Kansas Statutes

65-6611. Temporary license; application; limitations on practice. (a) A person who is waiting to take the examination for licensure as an addiction counselor may apply to the board for a temporary license to practice as a licensed addiction counselor by:

- (1) Paying a fee for a temporary license fixed under K.S.A. 65-6618, and amendments thereto; and
- (2) meeting the application requirements as stated in K.S.A. 65-6610(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(4) and (a)(5), and amendments thereto.

(b) A person who is waiting to take the examination for licensure as a master's addiction counselor may apply to the board for a temporary license to practice as a licensed master's addiction counselor by:

- (1) Paying a fee for a temporary license fixed under K.S.A. 65-6618, and amendments thereto; and
- (2) meeting the application requirements as stated in K.S.A. 65-6610(b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(B), (b)(1)(D) and (b)(1)(E), and amendments thereto.

(c) (1) A temporary license may be issued by the board after the application has been reviewed and approved by the board and the applicant has paid the appropriate fee set by the board for issuance of new licenses.

(2) Absent extenuating circumstances approved by the board, a temporary license issued by the board shall expire upon the date the board issues or denies the person a license to practice addiction counseling or 12 months after the date of issuance of the temporary license.

(3) No temporary license will be renewed or issued again on any subsequent application for the same license level. The preceding provision in no way limits the number of times an applicant may take the examination.

(d) A person practicing addiction counseling with a temporary license may not use the title "licensed addiction counselor" or "licensed master's addiction counselor" or use the initials "LAC" or "LMAC" independently. The word "licensed" may be used only when followed by the words "by temporary license."

(e) No person may practice addiction counseling under a temporary license except in a licensed or certified alcohol and other drug abuse program, under the direction of a person licensed by the behavioral sciences regulatory board at the clinical level or a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery.

(f) Nothing in this section shall affect any temporary license to practice issued under this section prior to the effective date of this act and in effect on the effective date of this act. Such temporary license shall be subject to the provisions of this section in effect at the time of its issuance and shall continue to be effective until the date of expiration of the license as provided under this section at the time of issuance of such license.

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