

HOUSE BILL No. 2536

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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9 AN ACT concerning the duties of registered nurse anesthetists; amend-
10 ing K.S.A. 65-1158 and repealing the existing section.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
14 1158. (a) Upon the order of a physician or dentist requesting anesthesia
15 ~~or analgesia~~ care, each registered nurse anesthetist shall *be authorized to:*

16 (1) Conduct a pre- and post-anesthesia visit and assessment with ap-
17 propriate documentation;

18 (2) develop a general plan of anesthesia care *in collaboration* with the
19 physician or dentist;

20 (3) ~~be authorized to~~ select the method for administration of anesthe-
21 sia ~~or analgesia~~;

22 (4) ~~be authorized to~~ select, *order or administer* appropriate medica-
23 tions and anesthetic agents *necessary for implementation of the anesthesia*
24 *plan of care*;

25 (5) induce and maintain anesthesia ~~or analgesia~~ at the required levels;

26 (6) support life functions during the ~~peri-operative~~ *anesthetic* period;

27 (7) recognize and take appropriate action with respect to patient re-
28 sponses during ~~anesthesia~~ *the anesthetic period, including ordering ap-*
29 *propriate medications and diagnostic studies and management of acute*
30 *post operative pain*;

31 (8) ~~provide professional observation and management of~~ *manage* the
32 patient's emergence from anesthesia; and

33 (9) participate in the life support of the patient.

34 (b) Each registered nurse anesthetist may participate in periodic and
35 joint evaluation of services rendered, including, but not limited to, chart
36 reviews, case reviews, patient evaluation and outcome of case statistics.

37 (c) A registered nurse anesthetist shall perform duties and functions
38 in an interdependent role as a member of a physician or dentist directed
39 health care team.

40 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-1158 is hereby repealed.

41 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
42 publication in the statute book.