

State of Kansas

Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Notice of Hearing on Proposed Administrative Regulations

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Bureau of Local and Rural Health, will conduct a public hearing on March 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Flint Hills Room (3A), Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson Street, Topeka, Kansas, to consider amendments to the Charitable Health Care Providers regulations, KAR 28-53-1, 28-53-2, and 28-53-4. A summary of the proposed regulation and the estimated economic impact follows:

Summary of Regulation:

K.A.R. 28-53-1. Proposed amendment clarifies and expands the definition of an entity eligible to become a “point of entry” to include an indigent health care clinic or a local health department. Removes the eligibility of a charitable health care provider to serve as a “point of entry.”

K.A.R. 28-53-2. Proposed amendment clarifies and expands language related to the termination of agreements with the Secretary to include a point of entry.

K.A.R. 28-53-4. Proposed amendment clarifies the responsibility of the charitable health care provider to maintain required program records and reporting or ensure that the point of entry maintains records and reporting.

Economic Impact:

Costs to persons affected by the regulations, the agency, or other governmental agencies or units: The amendments to these regulations will have no economic impact on any person, the agency, or other government agencies or units.

The time between the publication of this notice and the scheduled hearing constitutes a 60-day public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comments on the proposed regulations. All interested parties may submit written comments prior to the hearing to Robert Stiles, Director, Primary Care, Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 340, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1365, by email to rstiles@kdheks.gov, or fax to 785-296-1231. All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their views orally on the proposed regulations during the hearing. To give all parties an opportunity to present their views, it may be necessary to require each participant to limit oral presentation to five minutes.

Complete copies of the regulations and the economic impact statement may be accessed on the Internet at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Bureau of Local and Rural Health web page at <http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/index.html> or by contacting Robert Stiles at the above address, by email at rstiles@kdheks.gov, by phone at 785-368-8110, or by fax at 785-296-1231.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed regulations and economic impact statement in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation should be made at least five working days in advance of the hearing by contacting Robert Stiles.

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