

SENATE BILL No. 181

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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1 AN ACT concerning restrictions of patient access to prescription-only
2 drugs under medicaid; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 39-7,119 and 39-
3 7,120 and repealing the existing ~~section~~ sections.

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

6 *Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 39-7,119 is hereby amended to read as*
7 *follows: 39-7,119. (a) There is hereby created the medicaid drug*
8 *utilization review board which shall be responsible for the*
9 *implementation of retrospective and prospective drug utilization*
10 *programs under the Kansas medicaid program.*

11 *(b) Except as provided in subsection (i), the board shall consist of at*
12 *least seven members appointed as follows:*

13 *(1) Two licensed physicians actively engaged in the practice of*
14 *medicine, nominated by the Kansas medical society and appointed by the*
15 *secretary of health and environment from a list of four nominees;*

16 *(2) one licensed physician actively engaged in the practice of*
17 *osteopathic medicine, nominated by the Kansas association of*
18 *osteopathic medicine and appointed by the secretary of health and*
19 *environment from a list of four nominees;*

20 *(3) two licensed pharmacists actively engaged in the practice of*
21 *pharmacy, nominated by the Kansas pharmacy association and*
22 *appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of four*
23 *nominees;*

24 *(4) one person licensed as a pharmacist and actively engaged in*
25 *academic pharmacy, appointed by the secretary of health and*
26 *environment from a list of four nominees provided by the university of*
27 *Kansas;*

28 *(5) one licensed professional nurse actively engaged in long-term*
29 *care nursing, nominated by the Kansas state nurses association and*
30 *appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of four*
31 *nominees.*

32 *(c) The secretary of health and environment may add two*
33 *additional members so long as no class of professional representatives*
34 *exceeds 51% of the membership.*

1 (d) *The physician and pharmacist members shall have expertise in*
2 *the clinically appropriate prescribing and dispensing of outpatient*
3 *drugs.*

4 (e) *The appointments to the board shall be for terms of three years.*
5 *In making the appointments, the secretary of health and environment*
6 *shall provide for geographic balance in the representation on the board*
7 *to the extent possible. Subject to the provisions of subsection (i),*
8 *members may be reappointed.*

9 (f) *The board shall elect a chairperson from among board members*
10 *who shall serve a one-year term. The chairperson may serve consecutive*
11 *terms.*

12 (g) *The board, in accordance with K.S.A. 75-4319, and*
13 *amendments thereto, may recess for a closed or executive meeting when*
14 *it is considering matters relating to identifiable patients or providers.*

15 (h) *All actions of the medicaid drug utilization review board shall*
16 *be upon the affirmative vote of five members of the board and the vote of*
17 *each member present when action was taken shall be recorded by roll*
18 *call vote.*

19 (i) *Upon the expiration of the term of office of any member of the*
20 *medicaid drug utilization review board on or after the effective date of*
21 *this act and in any case of a vacancy existing in the membership position*
22 *of any member of the medicaid drug utilization review board on or after*
23 *the effective date of this act, a successor shall be appointed by the*
24 *secretary of health and environment so that as the terms of members*
25 *expire, or vacancies occur, members are appointed and the composition*
26 *of the board is changed in accordance with the following and such*
27 *appointment shall be made by the secretary of health and environment*
28 *in the following order of priority:*

29 (1) *One member shall be a licensed pharmacist who is actively*
30 *performing or who has experience performing medicaid pharmacy*
31 *services for a hospital and who is nominated by the Kansas hospital*
32 *association and appointed by the secretary of health and environment*
33 *from a list of two or more nominees;*

34 (2) *one member shall be a licensed pharmacist who is actively*
35 *performing or who has experience performing medicaid pharmacy*
36 *services for a licensed adult care home and who is nominated by the*
37 *state board of pharmacy and appointed by the secretary of health and*
38 *environment from a list of two or more nominees;*

39 (3) *one member shall be a licensed physician who is actively*
40 *engaged in the general practice of allopathic medicine and who has*
41 *practice experience with the state medicaid plan and who is nominated*
42 *by the Kansas medical society and appointed by the secretary of health*
43 *and environment from a list of two or more nominees;*

1 (4) *one member shall be a licensed physician who is actively*
2 *engaged in mental health practice providing care and treatment to*
3 *persons with mental illness, who has practice experience with the state*
4 *medicaid plan and who is nominated by the Kansas psychiatric society*
5 *and appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of*
6 *two or more nominees;*

7 (5) *one member shall be a licensed physician who is the medical*
8 *director of a nursing facility, who has practice experience with the state*
9 *medicaid plan and who is nominated by the Kansas medical society and*
10 *appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of two*
11 *or more nominees;*

12 (6) *one member shall be a licensed physician who is actively*
13 *engaged in the general practice of osteopathic medicine, who has*
14 *practice experience with the state medicaid plan and who is nominated*
15 *by the Kansas association of osteopathic medicine and who is appointed*
16 *by the secretary of health and environment from a list of two or more*
17 *nominees;*

18 (7) *one member shall be a licensed pharmacist who is actively*
19 *engaged in retail pharmacy, who has practice experience with the state*
20 *medicaid plan and who is nominated by the state board of pharmacy and*
21 *appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of two*
22 *or more nominees;*

23 (8) *one member shall be a licensed pharmacist who is actively*
24 *engaged in or who has experience in research pharmacy and who is*
25 *nominated jointly by the Kansas task force for the pharmaceutical*
26 *research and manufacturers association and the university of Kansas*
27 *and appointed by the secretary of health and environment from a list of*
28 *two or more jointly nominated persons; and*

29 (9) *one member shall be a licensed advanced practice registered*
30 *nurse or physician assistant actively engaged in the practice of providing*
31 *the health care and treatment services such person is licensed to*
32 *perform, who has practice experience with the state medicaid plan and*
33 *who is nominated jointly by the Kansas state nurses' association and the*
34 *Kansas academy of physician assistants and appointed by the secretary*
35 *of health and environment from a list of two or more jointly nominated*
36 *persons.*

37 (j) *The medicaid drug utilization review board shall meet at least*
38 *quarterly and such meetings shall be open to the public and shall provide*
39 *an opportunity for public comments. The board shall post notice of such*
40 *meetings at least 14 business days before the scheduled meetings.*

41 Section 1. ~~Section 2.~~ K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 39-7,120 is hereby amended to
42 read as follows: 39-7,120. (a) The secretary of health and environment
43 shall not restrict patient access to prescription-only drugs pursuant to a

1 program of prior authorization or a restrictive formulary except by rules
2 and regulations adopted in accordance with K.S.A. 75-5625, and
3 amendments thereto. Prior to the promulgation of any such rules and
4 regulations, the secretary of health and environment shall submit such
5 proposed rules and regulations to the medicaid drug utilization review
6 board for written comment *may submit any new prescription-only drug to*
7 *the medicaid drug utilization review board for its review and comment.*
8 *The secretary may place a hold on the use of any new prescription-only*
9 *drug until after the medicaid drug utilization review board has completed*
10 *its review may make {implement} prior authorization of any new*
11 *prescription-only drugs until such drugs are reviewed by the medicaid*
12 *drug utilization {review} board at the next scheduled meeting. New drugs*
13 *shall be approved for use when such drugs are used within package*
14 *insert guidelines approved by the federal {food and} drug administration*
15 *and clinically reputable compendia, such as the United States*
16 *pharmacopeia, as approved by the secretary of health and environment*
17 *in the rules and regulations, during the period before such drugs are*
18 *reviewed by the medicaid drug utilization review board. The secretary of*
19 health and environment may not implement permanent prior authorization
20 until 30 days after receipt of comments by the drug utilization review
21 board.

22 (b) When considering recommendations from the medicaid drug
23 utilization review board regarding the prior authorization of a drug, the
24 secretary of health and environment shall consider the net economic
25 impact of such prior authorization, including, but not limited to, the costs
26 of specific drugs, rebates or discounts pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8,
27 dispensing costs, dosing requirements and utilization of other drugs or
28 other medicaid health care services which may be related to the prior
29 authorization of such drug.

30 ~~Sec. 2:~~ **3.** K.S.A. 2014 Supp. **39-7,119 and 39-7,120** ~~is-are~~ hereby
31 repealed.

32 ~~Sec. 3:~~ **4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
33 publication in the statute book.