

Dear Representative/Senator

I want to offer my services if you or any of your colleagues have questions on the full practice authority bill that the nurse practitioners of Kansas will be proposing this current session. No number has been assigned yet.

The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the critical role Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) serve for patients across our state and the need to remove unnecessary regulatory barriers to that care. Currently, Kansas is only meeting 50% of the primary care need and 43% of the mental health care need in health professional shortage areas.

The removal of practice restrictions in other states has been shown to increase the number of licensed APRNs, allowing improved access to primary health care and mental health care services for Medicare, Medicaid, underserved and rural area patients.

With full practice authority APRN's will practice within our education, training and certification. Professional collaboration with other healthcare professionals will continue to be a standard practice. The APRN scope of practice does not change with full practice authority.

Thank you, for your time and consideration. Please be mindful of your own health, get regular checkups. You are always welcome to contact me with questions or concerns.

APRNs caring for all of Kansas-

Your name and degree/s  
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