

KANSAS COVID-19

Current as of October 15, 2021

GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS

The State of Disaster Emergency, per [SB 40](#) expired on May 28th.

Telemedicine: On April 1st, the Kansas legislature passed [SB 283](#), which allows out of state physicians with a license issued by the applicable licensing agency of another state to practice telemedicine to patients in Kansas as long as the physician holds a temporary emergency license granted by the Kansas Board of Healing Arts, to prepare for, respond to or mitigate any effect of COVID-19.

The physician may practice pursuant to the temporary emergency license upon submission of a non-resident healthcare provider certification form to the Kansas healthcare stabilization fund, without paying the required surcharge.

This Bill expires on March 31, 2022.

Liability: Per K.S.A. § 60-5503, effective April 1, 2021 a “healthcare provider is immune from civil liability for damages, administrative fines or penalties for acts, omissions healthcare decisions or the rendering or the failure to render healthcare services, including services that are altered, delayed or withheld, as a direct response to the COVID-19 public health emergency”.

Immunity shall apply to any claims for damages or liability that arise out of or relate to the acts omissions or healthcare decisions occurring between March 12, 2020 and March 31, 2022, related or in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency only, and does not include gross negligence or willful, wanton, or reckless conduct.