

50-1,100. Kansas discount card act; definitions. As used in this act:

(a) "Discount card" means a card or any other purchasing mechanism or device, which is not insurance, that purports to offer discounts or access to discounts in health-related purchases from health care providers.

(b) "Health care provider" means any person licensed to practice any branch of the healing arts by the state board of healing arts, any person who holds a temporary permit to practice any branch of the healing arts issued by the state board of healing arts, a medical care facility licensed by the department of health and environment, a podiatrist licensed by the state board of healing arts, an optometrist licensed by the board of examiners in optometry, a pharmacist licensed by the state board of pharmacy, a pharmacy registered with the state board of pharmacy, a dentist licensed by the Kansas dental board, a respiratory therapist, a professional corporation organized pursuant to the professional corporation law of Kansas by persons who are authorized by such law to form such a corporation and who are health care providers as defined by this subsection, a Kansas limited liability company organized for the purpose of rendering professional services by its members who are health care providers as defined by this subsection and who are legally authorized to render the professional services for which the limited liability company is organized, a partnership of persons who are health care providers under this subsection, a Kansas not-for-profit corporation organized for the purpose of rendering professional services by persons who are health care providers as defined by this subsection.

(c) "Network of health care providers" means two or more separate health care providers who have specifically authorized the network to enter into a discount card program and who are contractually obligated to honor the discount card contract entered into by the network of health care providers.

(d) "Date of transaction" means the date payment is processed by the supplier or the date the consumer is able to use the discount card, whichever occurs earlier.

(e) "Service area" means the area defined by the consumer's zip code. Service area shall also include all of the area located outside the area defined by the consumer's zip code but within 60 miles thereof.

History: L. 2000, ch. 170, § 1; L. 2002, ch. 182, § 1; July 1.