

APPLICATIONS TO KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS FOR CONSIDERATION OF NEW PROGRAMS

Detail: At its monthly study session, the Board heard presentations and received information relative to new programs for Medical Coding Certificate and Cosmetology. As required by the Kansas Board of Regents, Barton's Board of Trustees must approve all new proposed programs prior to submittal to KBOR.

Medical Coding Certificate Program

This proposed new 32-credit hour certificate program would be provided online and is designed to develop skills used in theory and practice of ICD-9-CM (diagnosis codes), CPT (procedure codes) and HCPCS codes for medial outpatient billing. In addition to coding procedures, students would acquire administrative skills to be successful in a professional environment. Students completing this certificate would be prepared for insurance billing positions in the health care outpatient industry.

Cosmetology Program

The College is in the process of considering the feasibility of a Cosmetology Program. One of the first steps in the process is to receive approval by the Kansas Board of Regents because without the Regents' approval, the College cannot consider starting the program. If the College's investigation concludes that there is a need for the program, by having approval by the Regents, everything will be in place for the program to be taken to the Board for final consideration.

Recommendation: It is recommended, through approval of the consent agenda, that the Board approves the College to submit the Medical Coding Certificate Program and the Cosmetology Program for consideration by the Kansas Board of Regents.