



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

AAA – Area Agencies on Aging are a network of agencies that manage programs created under the Older Americans Act. AAA’s help older people plan and care for their life long needs.

ADRC – The Aging and Disability Resource Centers are a place to receive information about in-home services. In-home services are also called long-term services and supports. ADRCs help people of all ages, abilities and income levels.

ANE – Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation - Abuse is treating a person with is physical or sexual cruelty. Neglect is not providing what a person needs. Exploitation is taking advantage of a disabled or elderly person.

Behavioral health care – Services that are provided to treat a person with:

- mental illness
- drug or alcohol problems

Benefit package – Services covered by a health plan. This includes the service definitions and service limits.

Beneficiary (consumer or member or patient or client) – Words that mean the person who is getting services.

Care coordinator or care manager – Words that mean the person at the MCO (health plan) who helps you understand your health care needs. This person also talks with your doctors and other providers to make sure you get the care you need.

CDDO – Community Developmental Disability Organizations are the place a person goes to receive developmental disability services in Kansas.

CHIP – The **Children’s Health Insurance Plan** is the federal and state program that pays for children’s health care services. CHIP is for people under the age of 19. Families that qualify have low incomes and:

- Earn too much money to receive Medicaid
- Do not earn enough income to pay for private coverage

CMHC – Community Mental Health Centers are the place a person goes to receive behavioral health services. The CMHCs are the point of entry for the Serious Emotional Disturbance program.

CMS – This is the **Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**. CMS oversees these federal and state programs:



- Medicare
- Medicaid
- CHIP

DSW – A Direct Service Worker provides hands-on care to people receiving in-home, long term supports and services.

Eligible (eligibility) – What allows you to get Medicaid:

- Very low income (for pregnant women, children or families)
- Disability defined by Social Security
- Low income elderly

EPSDT – This is **Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment**. It is a program for children. EPSDT services include well child check-ups, immunizations and tests.

FMS – This is a **Financial Management Services** provider. An FMS provider works with people who self-direct in-home services. The FMS provider helps people with:

- payroll tasks
- support and other services

HCBS - Home and community based services – Services you get in your home or in the town you live in to help support you where you live. Sometimes these are called in-home services or long term services and supports. Kansas currently has seven HCBS programs:

- **Autism**
- **FE** – Frail Elderly
- **I/DD** – Intellectual and Developmental Disability
- **PD** – Physical Disability
- **SED** – Serious Emotional Disturbance
- **TBI** – Traumatic Brain Injury
- **TA** – Technology Assisted

KanCare – This is the Medicaid program that provides members with a managed health care plan through one of these companies:

- Amerigroup of Kansas
- Sunflower State Health Plan
- United Healthcare of the Midwest

KanCare CommunityCare – In-home services under two new benefit packages: one for children and one for adults.



KDADS – This is the **Kansas Department on Aging and Disability Services**. KDADS manages these KanCare services:

- In-home services and supports
- Nursing home services
- Behavioral health care

KDHE – This is the **Kansas Department of Health and Environment**. KDHE manages the KanCare contract with the health plans. KDHE also oversees these KanCare services:

- Physical health care
- Working Healthy
- WORK

MCO or health plan – This means one of the three companies that provides all KanCare services, including:

- Doctors
- Pharmacies
- Hospitals
- Dentists
- Eye doctors
- Therapists who treat mental illness or substance use disorders
- Nursing homes
- In-home services

Medicaid – This means the federal and state program that pays for health care services for:

- Children in low income families
- Pregnant women and families who are poor
- People with disabilities
- Elderly people who have low incomes

Medicare – This is the federal program for elderly people and some people with disabilities. It pays for some health care services. Some people with Medicare also have Medicaid.

MFP – Money Follows the Person is a federal grant program. MFP helps the elderly and disabled move from an institutional setting back to the community.

PACE – The **Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly** is a Medicare and Medicaid program. PACE helps people meet their health care needs in the community instead of going to a nursing home or other care facility.



PCA – A **Personal Care Attendant** helps people in their home with activities of daily living.

Physical health care – This means all medical services like:

- Doctors
- Hospitals
- Pharmacies
- Dentists
- Eye doctors, as well as any rides needed to get to these services

Provider – This means any:

- Doctor
- Hospital
- Pharmacy
- Dentist
- Eye doctor
- Community service provider
- Therapist, or
- Other people or places where you get Medicaid services

Self-Direction – Self-direction is when a person controls their in-home services. The person will hire, train, schedule, and supervise a direct service worker. An FMS provider will assist with self-directing services.

TCM – Targeted Case Management is a KanCare service. TCM helps people access the services they need. It is for people receiving in-home services or living in the community.

Waiting List – A list of people eligible for home and community based services, or in-home services. People on this list are “waiting” for a slot to become available so in-home services can be provided.

Waiver – Request approved by CMS to “waive” or not apply certain Medicaid rules.

Waiver Integration – This is a proposed plan by KDHE and KDADS. It will allow people access to a greater selection of in-home services. Waiver Integration will allow in-home services to be more person-centered and based on members unique needs.