



KPhA KanCare Update

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KanCare

- Overview
- Current Issues
- Timeline
- Pharmacy Issues
 - MCO's, PBM's, MTM's and other acronyms





- New model for Kansas Medicaid
 - Address improving health care outcomes for individuals
 - Reducing yearly costs growth rates
- Model of integrated, coordinated, person-centered care
 - Continuous, comprehensive, accessible
 - Focus more on Quality over Quantity
 - Engage the patient in their care
 - Education AND Health Literacy Key

KanCare

- Where Are We?
 - Contracted with 3 MCO Partners
 - Realignment of State Agencies
 - Provider and Client Education Process Started
 - 1115 Waiver Process Continues



Contract Awards Implementation Begins

On June 27th three contracts were awarded to managed care companies:

Amerigroup of Kansas, Inc. (Amerigroup)

Sunflower State Health Plan (Sunflower)

United Healthcare of the Midwest (United)

Weekly implementation meetings began between the State and MCOs

Internal implementation teams and external stakeholder workgroups began meeting after contract award







- Lose weight
- Get a GED
- Improve relationships

Free healthy living coaching for preteens

membership fees to Boys & Girls Clubs and Brownie Badge Programs to promote healthy lifestyles for kids.

doctor for checkups. Learn about asthma and lead tests. We have help for families to teach them how to eat better without much cost. We also send Sesame Street and Dr. Health E. Hound birthday cards for all kids.

Extra over-the-counter medicines through mail order for all waiver groups and members receiving SSI.

\$120 annually (\$10 monthly) towards the purchase of over-the-counter products.

We can send someone with members with a developmental disability or mental illness for support at doctor visits. We also have practice visits to OB/GYNs and dentists for members with a developmental disability so members are more comfortable with preventive care visits.

Our adult members can go to free Weight Watchers classes. You can also earn workout gear for finishing the program.

Free rides to community health events and free caregiver transportation to doctor visits for all waiver groups and members receiving SSI.

Peer and family support services for members with mental illness or disabilities to help them live in their community.

Kids age 10 to 17 who are watching their weight can earn a \$50 gift card. They earn the gift card by finishing a healthy weight program. The family also helps them to develop a healthy lifestyle.

Career development help and money to buy professional clothes for job interviews.

Healthy Schools & Adopt-A-School Program: Sunflower provides hands-on education and outreach to local community schools.

We will give all children the chance to join a youth organization. This can be a group like the YMCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, and 4-H.

Free in-home pest control for all waiver groups and members receiving SSI (excludes members residing in ICF/MR, assisted living and nursing facilities, group homes, or similar settings).

Pet therapy visits are offered. Members must be in an assisted living or nursing facility for this. Members on an HCBS waiver also have the chance for this visit.

We will provide more vision services. The services will include a better choice of eyeglass frames. It also includes replacement if your glasses are lost or stolen. Some members could get contact lenses.

Respite care for caregivers of Frail Elderly waiver members and extra respite care for members of Autism, Developmental Disability, and Serious Emotional Disturbance waiver groups (excludes members living alone or residing in ICF/MR, assisted living and nursing facilities, group homes, or similar settings)

In-home telemonitoring is available. It helps members be able to be more independent. This is offered to those that are aged, blind, and/or disabled.

Members can get more foot doctor visits. They need to be over 21 and get approval from their Care Coordinator. This could include up to two visits per year.

First Round Educational Tour

July 30th to August 2nd

State Teams and MCOs conducted their first round of educational meetings for providers and beneficiaries.

West Team: Garden City, Wichita, Salina, and Hays

East Team: Topeka, Leavenworth, Fort Scott, and Johnson County

State and MCO staff answered thousands of questions from participants

Meetings were well attended by both consumers and providers and participants responded positively to the information presented.



CMS Accepts 1115 Waiver Application

August 21st

CMS notified the State of Kansas that the 1115 waiver application submitted on August 6th met all federal requirements and was formally accepted.

CMS began their official public comment period on August 21st. Comments will be accepted through September 20th.

Kansas continues to discuss the application with officials at CMS on a weekly basis. Our experience with CMS thus far in the waiver process is similar to that of other states.



KDADs Tour

August 23rd and August 31st

Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADs) conducted a series of informational sessions for specific Medicaid populations

State and MCO staff members met with current consumers, their family members and friends, service providers, advocacy groups and others interested in the programs and services administered by KDADs.

The meetings included information in the following areas:

- Disability services**
- Aging services**
- Mental health services**
- Substance use disorder services**



KanCare Website Launch

On August 31st the State of Kansas launched its new KanCare Website.

The Website will act as a streamlined source of information for providers and consumers to help them make informed decisions about participation in KanCare.

Eventually, the Website will become a “Launching-Pad” for all Medicaid-related content and applications in Kansas.

Go to www.kancare.ks.gov to learn more.



Readiness Reviews

On September 5th, the State began the formal readiness review process with the MCOs.

Three initial reviews have been performed.

The State will follow up with a second round of readiness reviews for each MCO prior to the go/no-go decision.



Second Round Educational Tour

September 24th-September 27th

Second round of educational meetings completed.

9/24: Manhattan, Pittsburg, Colby and Dodge City

9/25: Atchison, Chanute, Russell and Pratt

9/26: Emporia, Olathe, Hutchinson and El Dorado

A teleconference was held on September 27th for those who could not make one of the physical meetings.



What's Next

Following the completion of all readiness reviews, we will have an opportunity to follow-up on any issues that need further attention late in October.

KanCare MCOs must have 90% of their provider networks in place by October 12th and 100% by November 16th.

A Go/No-Go decision date of October 19th has been established for populating the patient enrollment files



What's Next

After patient assignment has occurred

State staff will hold a final round of educational meetings with consumers to help them understand what they need to know to choose a KanCare plan

MCOs will also conduct training with providers this fall.

Still Planning on a January 1st implementation.



KanCare Pharmacy Program

- Filling Fee remains at \$3.40
- Ingredient Costs
 - Depends on your MCO contract language
 - No set requirements in State RFP/Contract
 - We are working to keep MAC pricing up-to-date even once KanCare begins so we have a benchmark to hold the MCOs to the reimbursement standard
- PBM's and Medication Therapy Management

KanCare Pharmacy Program

MCO	PBM	MTM
Amerigroup	CVS/Caremark	Outcomes
Sunflower	US Script	Mirixa
United	OptumRX	PharmMD

KanCare MTM Program

- Purpose
- MCO's are required to cover MTM services for patients that have both at least 2 chronic disease states and at least 5 medications
 - Regardless of what an MCOs 'focus' may be at the start of KanCare

KanCare MTM Program

- Issues
 - For MTM, we have recently reached consensus on a standardized credentialing form
 - Complete and send to any of the 3 MCO's
 - Pharmacists will need to complete training on the MTM platform for any vendor they contract with
 - Any MTM provider must be a Kansas-licensed pharmacist and process must be face-to-face
 - MCO's must demonstrate that they have a robust in-state, in-person MTM program
 - State will approve all call scripts surrounding MTM services that the MCO's would want to use for any follow-up

Pharmacy Prior Authorization

- Single Formulary
 - Operate off current DUR/PDL program
- MCO's to have electronic PA program
- Centralized Pharmacy Website
 - Information readily available for all three MCO's
 - Transparency in methodology regarding pricing formulas

Kansas Pharmacies

- Protection of Kansas pharmacy business
 - prohibiting health plans from requiring that beneficiaries receive their prescriptions from either Mail Order or Specialty pharmacy options.