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## **KanCare Advisory Council Meeting Minutes Curtis State Office Building, Topeka, KS Minutes of May 30, 2018**

### **Council Members Present:**

Larry Martin  
Mark Hinde  
Senator Allen Schmidt  
Lora Key  
Beth Simpson

### **Council Members Absent:**

Senator Mary Pilcher-Cook  
Representative Susan Concannon  
Dr. Michael Kennedy

### **Council Members Attending Via Phone:**

Walt Hill  
Njeri Shomari  
Edward Nicholas  
Jamie Price

### **Other Participants:**

Jon Hamdorf, Director and Medicaid Director, Division of Health Care Finance, Kansas Department of Health and Environment  
Amy Penrod, Commissioner, Community Services and Programs Commission, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services  
Kerrie Bacon, Ombudsman, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services

### **Welcome – Chairman Larry Martin**

Larry Martin opened the meeting. The agenda for the meeting was unanimously approved by the Council as published. Senator Allen Schmidt made a motion to approve the meeting agenda and Lora Key seconded the motion.

### **Review and Approval of Minutes from Council meeting, March 27, 2018**

Chairman Larry Martin asked if there was any discussion on the previous meeting's minutes. Location to be changed from Memorial Hall to the Curtis State Office Building. Mark Hinde moved the minutes be approved as amended. Senator Allen Schmidt seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by the Council.

### **KDHE Update – Jon Hamdorf, Director and Medicaid Director, Division of Health Care Finance, Kansas Department of Health and Environment**

Jon Hamdorf highlighted the KanCare Executive Summary dated 5.30.18.

The Advisory Council followed up on discussion regarding pharmacy issues with single-dose versus multi-dose dispensing, specialty services and improving efficiencies with pharmacies and the MCOs to develop a plan going forward.

Jon Hamdorf gave a brief update on Maximus.

Jon Hamdorf stated that deadline for Maximus to meet contractual obligations is June 1 and their contract ends at the end of the year. They have put forth a lot of effort and the State will move forward with damages. The challenge is there are not many vendors in this line of work and by ending this partnership it would be detrimental to the population along with us having to staff 400 people almost overnight. KDHE is trying to identify areas that the State could replace Maximus to do pieces of the process. Around quality and training, KDHE has been granted 12 additional eligibility workers who will solely approve eligibility applications. These workers are in addition to the 25 HCBS workers who work in the field directly with consumers.

### **KDADS Update – Amy Penrod, Commissioner, Community Services and Programs Commission, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services**

Amy Penrod provided update on the waiver waiting lists and changes to the program. Discussed the process of getting people on the waivers over the last several years. The Advisory Council also spoke to the need for more providers, additional funding and establishing a protocol for waivers with waitlists. Per Amy Penrod, the State is working on a plan to eliminate the waitlists as per legislative request over a 5-year plan. Will look to finalize this and get some commitment and buy-in.

### **Updates on KanCare with Q&A**

*Amerigroup Kansas – Paula Kies*

Paula Kies provided a brief update on Amerigroup.

*Sunflower State Health Plan – Jonalan Smith*

Jonalan Smith provided a brief update on Sunflower State Health. Please review attached document.

*United Healthcare Community Plan – Kevin Sparks, Carries Kimes, Jeff Stafford and Chris Gard*

The United Healthcare team provided a brief presentation on the new dashboard tool they are working on with the State. The tool is called the Kansas Medicaid Insight Transparency Initiative (KMITI) and is a collaboration tool to improve the health of the Kansans we serve. The tool can be accessed at [www.kancare.forcecom/KansasMITI/s/](http://www.kancare.forcecom/KansasMITI/s/)

### **Miscellaneous Agenda Items – Jon Hamdorf**

Jon Hamdorf gave some background on the KanCare audit. Stated there were conclusions made public that did not align with current Medicaid services, regulatory changes and legislative impact. Per Jon Hamdorf, the feedback given the Legislative Post Audit were not published.

Larry Martin asked if there were any questions or comments for the next meeting. No additional comments given. Larry Martin asked for a motion to adjourn. Mark Hinde made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Senator Allen Schmidt seconded the motion. Larry Martin thanked everyone for attending the meeting and adjourned.

**Next Meeting of KanCare Advisory Council – August 28, 2018, 2:30-4:00pm, Curtis State Office Building, Room 530**