

KanCare Re-Procurement Public Meeting October 2023



Wichita State University Community Engagement Institute

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- Who we are
- Why we are here





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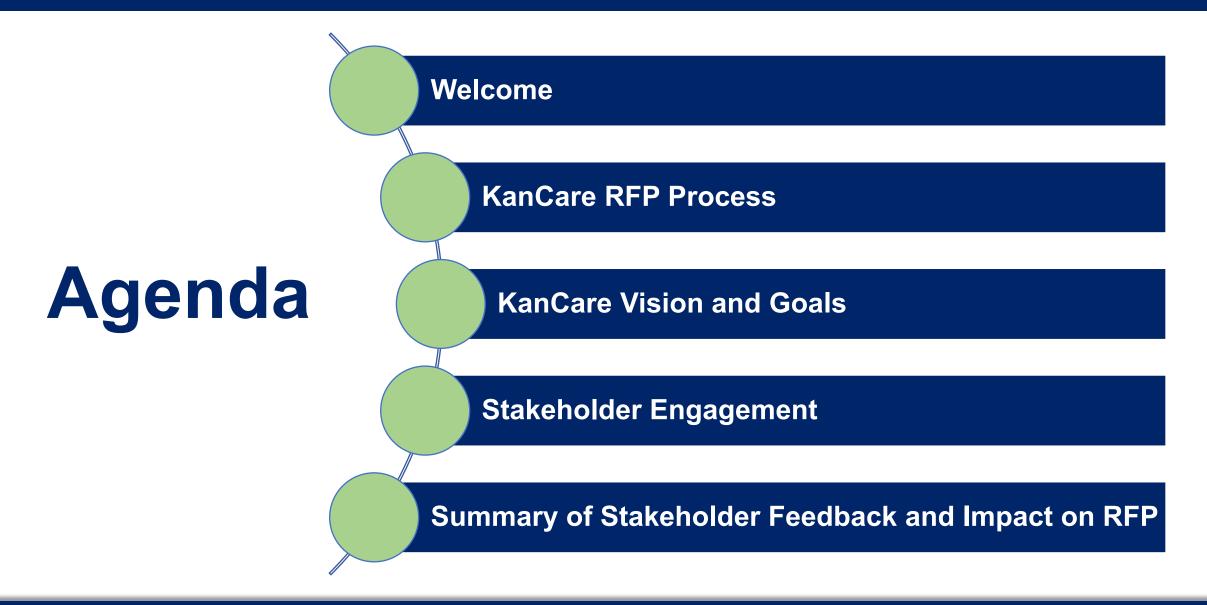
- Meeting is being recorded
- Zoom controls: chat, raise hand, mute
- Feel free to ask questions and offer comments
- Email questions or comments to <u>KDHE.KanCare@ks.gov</u>
- Directly message WSU staff if you have questions or need help writing your comments

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Meeting Objectives

- To share the State's vision and goals for the future of KanCare.
- To explain how input was used to write the request for proposal (RFP) for new KanCare contracts.







KDHE Welcome and Introductions

Protect and improve the health and environment of all Kansans



KanCare RFP Process

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KanCare State Agencies

Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE).Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS).Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF).

KanCare Medicaid/CHIP Enrollment

Total enrollment (as of August 2023): 520,000 Includes approximately:

- 320,000 children.
- 79,000 parents and pregnant women.
- 59,000 individuals with disabilities.
- 54,000 individuals 65 and older.



Care KanCare MCOs



Number of KanCare MCOs:

• The State currently contracts with three KanCare MCOs and anticipates awarding three KanCare MCO contracts.



MCOs are responsible for:

- Coordinating care, including visits to a primary care doctor, specialty care, nursing facility services, hospital stays, substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and home and community-based services (HCBS).
- Developing a provider network that meets the needs of its members.
- Paying providers for health care services.
- Ensuring quality of care.





* Effective Date/Term of Contract: The KanCare MCO contracts will go into effect on January 1, 2025, and continue through December 31, 2027. KDHE may elect to renew the KanCare contracts for two 1-year periods.



KanCare Vision and Goals

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KanCare Vision and Goals

Partnering together to support Medicaid members in achieving health, wellness and independence for a healthier Kansas.

To advance this vision, the State has identified the following KanCare goals:

- 1. Improve member experience and satisfaction.
- 2. Improve health outcomes by providing holistic care to members that is integrated, evidence-based, well-coordinated, and that recognizes the impact of social determinants of health (SDOH).
- 3. Reduce health care disparities.
- 4. Expand provider network and direct care workforce capacity and skill sets.
- 5. Improve provider experience and encourage provider participation in Medicaid.
- 6. Increase the use of cost-effective strategies to improve health outcomes and the service delivery system.
- 7. Leverage data to promote continuous quality improvement to achieve the goals of the KanCare program.

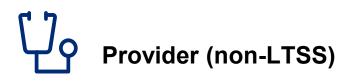


Stakeholder Engagement

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anCare Who are the Stakeholders?



Person or organization that provides health care services, other than long-term services and supports (LTSS), to KanCare members.



Person or organization that provides LTSS to KanCare members.



Non-profit groups that work to improve the KanCare program for KanCare members.



Provider Association and Organization

Organizations that represent the interests of LTSS and non-LTSS providers serving KanCare members to promote policies and practices that improve the KanCare program.



A member of the Kansas State Legislature.



A KanCare member, An individual who receives health care through KanCare.

Other

Members of the public, consulting companies, Kansas Employment **First Oversight Commission**

KanCare When Meetings Took Place

Virtual and In-person Meetings:

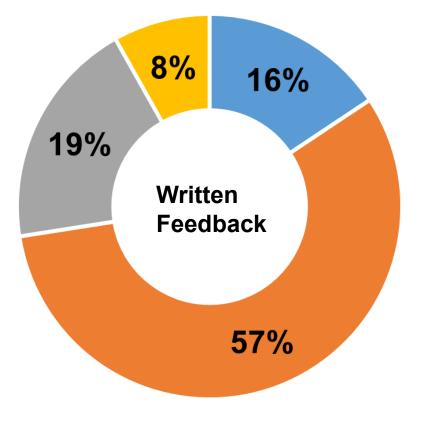
- 2022
 - Three virtual meetings to discuss RFP: (1) dental, pharmacy, hospital, physical health providers; (2) LTSS, HCBS providers, nursing facility association; and (3) self-advocacy groups.

2023

- Two virtual information sessions for provider association and advocacy groups March 2023.
- Four virtual information sessions for members and providers April 2023.
- One virtual information sessions for payors and bidders May 2023.
- Public Meeting Recordings and Resources posted on KanCare website.



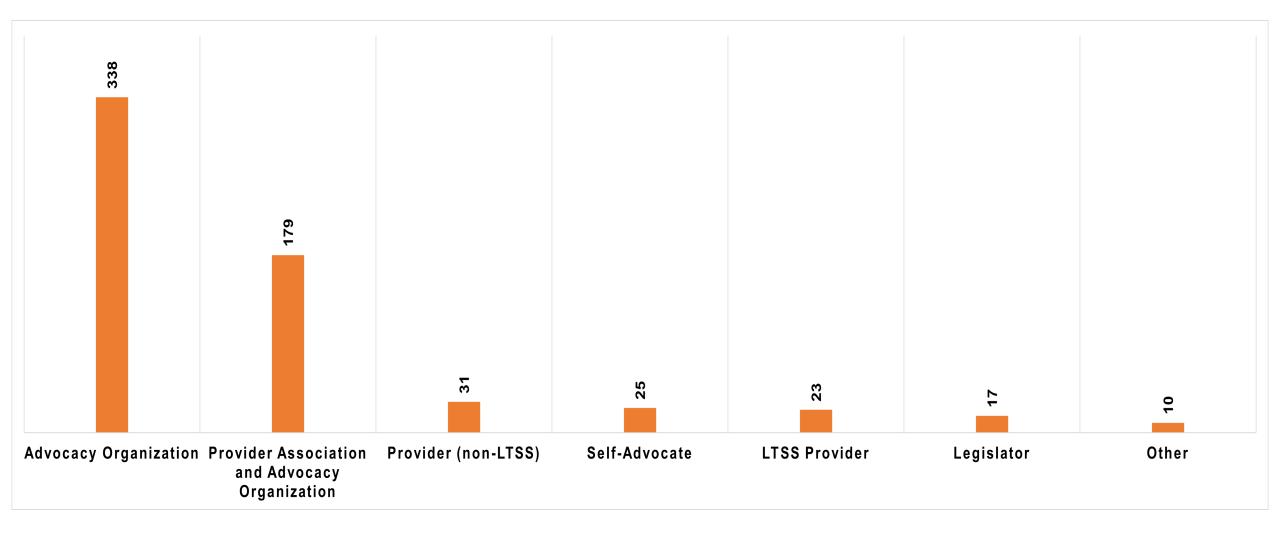
Email Letter Report Stakeholder Meeting



More than 485

individuals and organizations submitted their written feedback or attended a meeting.







Summary of Stakeholder Feedback and Impact on RFP





Ensure quality of health and health care across all populations

Social Determinants of Health



Care Coordination

- Need 'checks and balances' for care coordination.
- Make sure approved HCBS waiver services are provided.
- Offer community support coordination or independent care management.
- Improve training for care coordinators.
- Require in-person visits.
- Improve care coordinator response time.
- Provide more opportunities for employment in the community.



Care Coordination

- State can refuse to pay a managed care organization (MCO) if it does not provide personal care services and specialized medical care hours in a member's person-centered service plan (PCSP).
- MCO must provide notice and appeal rights if a member's PCSP or plan of service does not include a covered service that they requested.
- Strengthens care coordination requirements.
- Care coordinators must assist members in keeping Medicaid eligibility, including when a member works.

Care Coordination

- New language emphasizing community integration.
- MCOs must provide community-based care coordination for HCBS waiver populations that do not receive targeted case management.
- MCOs must ensure coordination between the MCO's care coordinator, the community care coordinator, and/or other care coordination entities.

Question in RFP: MCOs bidding to participate in KanCare must describe their care coordination model and their approach to meet the needs of members with complex needs.



Access to Care and Services

- It is difficult to access durable medical equipment (DME).
- It is difficult to find direct care workers.
- Provider directories are not accurate.
- Improve non-emergency transportation services.



Access to Care and Services

- Care coordinators must help members access DME, assistive devices, and home modifications.
- MCOs to work with stakeholders to simplify the process to access DME, assistive devices, and home modifications.
- MCOs to increase the direct care workforce for behavioral health and HCBS.
- MCOs required to improve the non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) experience for members.



Access to Care and Services

- Provider directories will be updated more often.
- MCO to develop an emergency management plan to provide services during emergencies.

Question in RFP: MCOs bidding to participate in KanCare must address workforce development challenges in the State.

Question in RFP: MCOs bidding to participate in KanCare must describe how they will maintain an up-to-date provider directory.





Maternal and Infant Health

- Provide outreach about the extension of postpartum coverage to 12 months.
- Reimburse certified members of the health care team such as community health workers, home visitors, doulas, and lactation consultants.
- Improve care coordination for pregnant members.
- Provide postpartum care that follows national recommendations.
- Review quality measures to identify disparities in access and outcomes.



Maternal and Infant Health

- Encouraged MCOs to provide more value-added services for pregnant and postpartum women, including doulas, peer supports, home visiting, and lactation consultation.
- Care coordinators must educate members about postpartum coverage and ensure quality care.
- State may require the MCOs to support development of a summary of prenatal and postpartum measures.

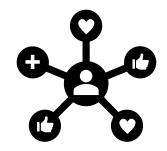
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Social Determinants of Health

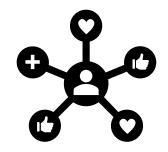
- Require MCOs to have community reinvestment funds.
- Improve the use of health screenings.
- Require MCOs to track referrals to a community-based organization.
- Drop the term "independence" from Social Determinants of Health and Independence (SDOHI).



Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)

- Required MCOs to invest some of their profits in the community.
- Strengthened requirements for health screening.
- MCOs required to identify and address SDOH needs of members, including connecting members to necessary SDOH resources and tracking referrals.
- SDOHI changed to SDOH. Dropped "independence" from SDOHI.

Question in RFP: MCOs bidding to participate in KanCare must describe how the MCO will identify, track and address SDOH needs.





Ensure Quality of Health and Health Care Across Populations

- MCOs should designate health equity champions.
- MCOs should stratify data and develop health equity score cards.
- MCOs should have a health equity plan.
- Improve access to interpreters.



Ensure Quality of Health and Health Care Across Populations

- MCOs required to have a health equity director/manager.
- MCOs required to identify and address health disparities.
- Requirements to improve access to interpretation services.

Question in RFP: MCOs bidding to participate in KanCare must describe how they will identify and address health disparities.





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Questions & Comments



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Thank You

- For enrollment/eligibility assistance please contact the KanCare Clearinghouse at: **1-800-792-4884.**
- General KanCare questions: **KDHE.KanCare@ks.gov.**
- Or visit kancare.ks.gov for more information.