

KanCare 1115 Demonstration Renewal Application

Revised Hypotheses

1. Value-based models and purchasing strategies will further integrate services and eliminate the current silos between physical health services and behavioral health services, leading to improvements in quality, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness.
2. Increasing employment and independent living supports for members who have disabilities or behavioral health conditions, and who are living and working in the community, will increase independence and improve health outcomes.
3. The use of telehealth (e.g., telemedicine, telemonitoring, and tele-mentoring) services will enhance access to care for KanCare members living in rural and semi-urban areas. Specifically:
 - Telemedicine will improve access to services such as speech therapy
 - Telemonitoring will help members more easily monitor health indicators such as blood pressure or glucose levels, leading to improved outcomes for members who have chronic conditions
 - Tele-mentoring can pair rural and semi-urban healthcare providers with remote specialists to increase the capacity for treatment of chronic, complex conditions