

75-7405. Statewide health policy agenda; reports to legislature; timeline for assumption of powers, duties and functions; plans and recommendations; submission to legislature. (a) The department of health and environment is responsible for the development of a statewide health policy agenda including health care and health promotion components. The department of health and environment shall report to the legislature at the beginning of the regular session of the legislature in 2007 and at the beginning of each regular legislative session thereafter. The report of the department of health and environment to the legislature shall include recommendations for implementation of the health policy agenda recommended by the department. The department of health and environment shall develop or adopt health indicators and shall include baseline and trend data on the health costs and indicators in each annual report to the legislature. In accordance with the provisions of this act and the provisions of appropriation acts, the department of health and environment shall assume powers, duties and functions in accordance with the provisions of this act.

(b) The department of health and environment shall assume the functions of the health care data governing board and the functions of the Kansas department for children and families under the Kansas business health partnership act, as provided by this act.

(c) The department of health and environment shall assume operational and purchasing responsibility for: (1) The regular medical portion of the state medicaid program; (2) the MediKan program; (3) the state children's health insurance program as provided in K.S.A. 38-2001 et seq., and amendments thereto; (4) the working healthy portion of the ticket to work program under the federal work incentive improvement act and the medicaid infrastructure grants received for the working healthy portion of the ticket to work program; (5) the medicaid management information system (MMIS); (6) the restrictive drug formulary, the drug utilization review program, including oversight of the medicaid drug utilization review board, and the electronic claims management system as provided in K.S.A. 39-7,116 through 39-7,121 and K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 39-7,121a through 39-7,121e, and amendments thereto; (7) the state health care benefits program as provided in K.S.A. 75-6501 through 75-6523, and amendments thereto; and (8) the state workers compensation self-insurance fund and program as provided in K.S.A. 44-575 through 44-580, and amendments thereto.

(d) The department of health and environment shall submit to the legislature recommendations and an implementation plan for the transfer of additional medicaid-funded programs to the department of health and environment which may include: (1) Mental health services; (2) home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver programs; (3) nursing facilities; (4) substance abuse prevention and treatment programs; and (5) the institutions, as defined in K.S.A. 76-12a01, and amendments thereto.

(e) The department of health and environment shall submit to the legislature recommendations and an implementation plan for the department of health and environment to assume responsibility for health care purchasing functions within additional state agencies, which may include: (1) The Kansas department for aging and disability services; (2) the department of education for local education agencies; (3) the juvenile justice authority and the juvenile correctional institutions and facilities thereunder; and (4) the department of corrections and the correctional institutions and facilities thereunder.

History: L. 2005, ch. 187, § 6; L. 2012, ch. 102, § 38; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 408; July 1.