

KDHE Responses to Requests from Joint Committee on HCBS/KanCare Oversight

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KDHE herewith submits responses to pending requests for information from Committee members:

1. Mr. Randol agreed to provide an update on nursing facility financial stability after meeting with Rachel Monger.
Response: An update will be provided during oral testimony November 18th.
2. KDHE agreed to invite members of the Waiver Integration Subcommittee to the Waiver Integration stakeholder meeting. Please provide an update.
Response: An update will be provided during the oral testimony November 18th.
3. KDHE was asked to provide the number of Medicaid providers when KanCare started and the number of providers as of August 2016.
Response: Prior to KanCare provider enrollment averaged around 15,000 per year. Since implementation of KanCare provider enrollment has increased to approximately 19,000 a 27% increase from 2012.
4. Secretary Mosier was asked to inform the Committee whether providers are being paid if a person dies before eligibility is determined.
Response: Yes. When the person dies, the application will be processed and if the individual is determined to have been Medicaid eligible, payment for services rendered will be made retroactively from the effective eligibility date. Generally from the application date and up to 3 months prior to the application month if there is a request of prior medical made.
5. Secretary Mosier was asked to provide the eligibility processing timeline.
Response: Normal processing time for family medical is within 30 days. We do not have historical data on the Elderly and Disabled, however our expected timeline will be approximately 40 days.
6. KDHE was asked to provide an update on the nursing facility advanced payment issue.
Response: An update will be provided during the oral presentation on November 18th.
7. KDHE was asked to provide the number of Medicaid applications that are repeat applications, i.e. the application was denied for some reason, the 45-day period expired, and the time frame for the application began again.
Response: KDHE continues to work with our contractor to develop the report that will allow us to provide the requested information.