

# KANSAS MENTAL HEALTH COALITION

*Speaking with one voice to meet critical needs of people with mental illness.*

## Agenda

July 27, 2016 Monthly Meeting

Valeo Behavioral Health Center - 330 SW Oakley, Topeka, KS - Basement Conference Room

(teleconference access 1-877-278-8686, enter 982797 use codes: \*7 mute / \*9 unmute) Meeting room wi-fi: Guest@caccess

**9:00 a.m.**

**Introductions and sign-in sheet** Susan Lewis, President

**Financial Report** Andy Brown, Treasurer

Please renew your membership at [KMHC website](#). First, log in, select your membership renewal and the site will generate an invoice to pay by check. Contact Amy if you have questions.

**Minutes of the previous meeting.**

**9:15 a.m. Reports**

**Board of Directors** - Report of the June meeting.

**Advocacy Committee –Grassroots Advocacy Network** - Committee will meet at 11:45 a.m. after the Coalition meeting.

**Governor’s Behavioral Health Services Planning Council** – Wes Cole

**Psychiatric Directives Committee** - Mike Burgess

**Alliance for a Healthy Kansas** - Amy Campbell

**9:30 a.m. Update on CMHC programs** - How are the Centers adjusting to the Medicaid reimbursement cuts, end of Health Homes program, changes to inpatient screenings for Medicaid, end of KU Evidence Based Practices Contract, and other changes?

**10:00 a.m. Guest Speaker - Secretary Tim Keck, KS Dept. Aging and Disability Services**

Update on Agency programs. Q & A.

**10:50 a.m. Legislative Update - Amy Campbell**

Report on the Legislature's Special Session and Legislative Interim Committees - Public Health Boards and Step Therapy topics

Legislative Mental Health Forum - August 17

Adult Continuum of Care - modified stakeholder group reconvened under the auspices of the Governors Behavioral Health Services Planning Council - meeting the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month

Drug Utilization Review Board (DUR) met Wednesday, July 13

Mental Health Medications Advisory Committee - will meet August 9 - 2:00-4:00 pm

2016 Elections Information - What do you need to do?

**11:00 a.m. Next Steps - Susan Lewis**

A members only discussion of action steps for the Coalition.

**11:25 a.m. Announcements**

**11:30 a.m. Adjourn**

**2016 KMHC Meetings: 9 a.m.–11:30 a.m.** Jan 27, Feb. 24, Mar. 23, April 27, May 25, June 22, July 27, Aug 24, Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov 16, Dec. 14

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### **Organization of Public Health Boards - Combining Certain Health Boards**

- Consider the combination of the Board of Nursing and the Board of Healing Arts under one administrative entity for the purpose of potential reduction of administrative costs and increased efficiency over time.

Patient Protections for Step Therapy - Study Patient Protections in Commercial Health Insurance

- Consider patient protections for Step Therapy to be used in commercial health insurance in the State of Kansas.

### **Foster Care Adequacy - Review Issues Pertaining to Foster Care Adequacy**

The study would include the following:

- Review the level of oversight and supervision by the Department for Children and Families (DCF) over foster care contractors;
- Evaluate whether a working group consisting of attorneys in the area of family law, judges, foster parents, and parents with reintegrated children would aid in addressing foster care concerns;
- Study the proper selection of foster parents and the qualifications of foster parents; and
- Review the duties of those individuals responsible for foster children, the connection between DCF and foster care contractors, and the grandparents rights law regarding custody, KSA 2015 Supp. 38-2286.

### **Larned and Osawatomie State Hospitals - Study Various Issues Regarding Larned State Hospital and Osawatomie State Hospital**

The study would include the following:

- Monitor the patient populations and review the study the activities and plans of the treatment programs and correlation to patient outcomes;
- Tour each state psychiatric hospital, considering and evaluating facility issues relating to plan management and safety;
- Review and study the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services' (KDADS') policies relating to each state psychiatric hospital;
- Review and study KDADS responsiveness and efforts in identifying and resolving issues relating to facility, staff, and patients;
- Review and study KDADS staffing and policies relating to staffing, recruitment, retention, employee morale, and employee relations issues;
- Review and identify patient and employee safety concerns; and
- Review and study any other issues brought to the attention of the Committee concerning state psychiatric hospital oversight.

### **KanCare DUR Board Meeting: July 13, 2016**

Dr Scheffer resigned, Lauren Morton, PharmD, BCPS, elected new Chair. Liane Larson, PharmD, KDHE-DHCF Staff leaving July 30.

The Board approved several step therapy policies not related to mental health medications. Neither the step therapy statute nor the patient protections language was distributed to members, some members asked to receive that information.

The Board sent one policy back to the MHMAC – Opioid Dependence Agents – Prior authorization criteria to include the exclusion of coverage by those beneficiaries concurrently prescribed benzodiazepines. Sent back to get clear PA on Buprenorphine, etc.

Approved policy to require an appropriate diagnosis or prescriber specialty for ADHD medications for adults 18 and older.

Approved policy to require an appropriate prescriber specialty (psychiatrist) for ADHD medications for children under the age of 3 years old. (33 children affected.)

Approved policy to require dosage limits for ADHD medications.

There were annual MCO reports detailed utilization trends and provider education efforts for 2014. (should be 2015?) Reported Anti-psychotics (\$61 m) and ADHD medications (\$44 m) were the highest categories by "spend". Interesting reports on the retro-DUR programs and pharmacy MTM programs. Criteria for the reports are not uniform, so not directly comparable, but the information was interesting.

**Mental Health Medication Advisory Committee** meets August 9 and will include opportunity for public comment on second round policies as approved at the May MHMAC meeting. The agenda should be posted tomorrow.

**Elections:** Go to your local election office to vote early. Primary Election is August 2.

Reach out to the candidates in your local election and let them know that you are very concerned about Kansas mental health programs. See the chart.

Amy is available to talk about any of the races, although there are many candidates we do not know much about. [Campbell525@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Campbell525@sbcglobal.net).