



## NOTES

### ***Advocacy Committee Meeting***

*The goal of the Advocacy Committee is to raise awareness about the value of Community Health Workers in Kansas.*

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 • Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

❖ **Members present:** Kristy Anderson, Broderick Crawford, and Alissa Rankin

❖ **New business**

- Advocacy presentations – We need to continue to capture those that are occurring or planned to occur.
  - What additional opportunities are available? Who are potential CHWs to present at those and identify CHWs to present at these? (e.g., employer letter, funds for travel, etc.)
    - Missouri CHW Conference
    - Symposium
    - Heartland Health Conference in September
    - Million Hearts (CHWs to present and be on a panel)
    - Kansas Hospital Association – Present about CHWs and this will likely be in December of 2020.
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  - Begin to compile the list in a spreadsheet fashion with helping recommend speakers for these presentations.
    - Guadalupe could potentially coach new CHWs to present.
    - Type of presentation
    - Recommended support person
    - Contact person
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- Response to Secretary Norman – Executive Committee
  - The Executive Committee will draft the response to Secretary Norman. There will be several folks who will be contributing to this letter. The Education Committee will review this letter and then send this to Dr. Norman and support staff. The initial response will be sent to Ashley Goss who is the KDHE Deputy Director.
  - Erika Saleski has requested documents.

- Meeting scheduled with Martha Cooper who is the head legal consult at KDHE. Certification manual for health professions. Alissa will copy Broderick and Erika.
- Next Steps: Post strategic planning process
- Committee membership
  - We have opportunities to reach out to new organizations and new CHWs who could be recruited to participate.
  - There is some transition in Sunflower Health Plan with CHW supervision.

❖ **Medicaid Expansion**

- Governor Kelly and Representative Jim Denning has announced a compromised bill that will be presented to the Kansas Legislature:
  - CNN and US News held coverage but local coverage was not very extensive.
  - Includes 1115-waiver and 1332-waiver.
  - Does not include pregnancy or women who are 6-weeks post-partum.
  - Shows willingness of bipartisan support.
  - This compromise is helping it be effective for all in Kansas.
  - If there is an “if...then...” clause, this may force us to take another route.
  - Effective date is January 2021 which is a big turnaround.
  - Look at this article from the Kansas News Service: [https://www.khi.org/policy/article/bill-tracker?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Kansas%20Medicaid%20Expansion%20Bill%20Tracker&utm\\_content=Kansas%20Medicaid%20Expansion%20Bill%20Tracker+CID\\_a310be49accbc14e12166c457852bc7b&utm\\_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm\\_term=Read%20More](https://www.khi.org/policy/article/bill-tracker?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Kansas%20Medicaid%20Expansion%20Bill%20Tracker&utm_content=Kansas%20Medicaid%20Expansion%20Bill%20Tracker+CID_a310be49accbc14e12166c457852bc7b&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=Read%20More)

❖ **KDHE Updates**

- None.

❖ **Next Steps**

- Begin database of conferences.
- Forward Medicaid Expansion information to Advocacy and Executive Committees.

**Next Meetings**

Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
 Tuesday March 10, 2020  
 Tuesday, April 14, 2020  
 Tuesday, May 12, 2020  
 Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Tuesday, July 14, 2020  
 Tuesday, August 11, 2020  
 Tuesday, September 8, 2020  
 Tuesday, October 13, 2020  
 Tuesday, November 10, 2020  
 Tuesday, December 8, 2020