



## **Agenda Advocacy/Sustainability Committees**

**Advocacy Committee Co-Chairs:** Angela Scott & Ricardo Ortiz

**Sustainability Committee Co-Chairs:** Dr. Mariah Chrans & Brenda Medina

Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 • Time: 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

- **Welcome & Introductions:**

- Diana Lady, Megan Betts, Tanya Brunner, Suzana Hernadez, Birgit Lemke, Ricardo Ortiz, Kinley Yangzom, Dr. Mariah Chrans, Brenda Medina, Jackie Betance, and Sarahy Soriano

- **Discussion:**

- **Oral Health Kansas Call to Action**

- Kansas first year of adult Medicaid utilization rate was about 4%
- Request
  - Funding to cover exams, x-rays and cleanings
  - Policy change would allow the managed care orgs to be more creative with the VAB options
  - Budget hearing in the legislature begin next week
- Call to action
  - Signing on to support this policy
  - Offer to testify
  - Organizations can sign on at:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AJOfz9zHTjlvV09H1nF1hQxi9vQjm6yh43nUT084ALY/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AJOfz9zHTjlvV09H1nF1hQxi9vQjm6yh43nUT084ALY/viewform?edit_requested=true)

- **Wrapping up 2023 Business**

- Medicaid policy-SPA

- Erika Saleski came and spoke about the SPA
  - Said goodbye to Nisha with a transition to Diana taking over facilitation for the committee
  - Focused on items from the strategic plan
    - Relationship with employer's focus
      - Looking for guidance
      - KCHWC can provide that guidance
  - Welcomed new members
    - Elections from 2023 symposium
    - Megan Betts added to WSU team to assist with facilitation of KCHWC committees
- **Updates:**
  - **Acronym list**
    - Kendra has started a page on our website that has links to different partner websites with lists of acronyms.
    - <https://kschw.org/resources-category/acronyms/>
  - KCHWC Symposium
    - Keynote speaker recommendations
    - Currently working on the logistics for the breakout sessions based on the coalition wide survey
    - Big theme for this year
      - Sustainability
      - What is happening with Medicaid and CHWs
      - More support for employees
  - For 2024
    - Training around documentation
      - Committee members are working on this with Diana
      - Committee members recommend a workshop to put this into practice

- Mariah shared that the KCHWC members have shared their need for help and support around documentation. Each organization is different in its structure.
  - Need a good standard of documenting
  - Provide a sample of a note
  - Possible education committee can collaborate on this effort to provide a sample note
  - Focus on documentation session of our courses with real practice of documenting
- **KDHE Updates**
  - The farm worker program and EDW Kansas section are both interested in reaching out to CHWs and want to give presentations. Possibly for the pre-symposium.
- **Other updates**
  - **MARC**
    - No new updates
  - **Yadira Soltero**
    - Immunize Kansas Coalition (IKC) Advocacy Day at the State Capital will be January 25th, 2024 from 8 am-3 pm. Please join IKC as they will have a day filled with activities.
- **Next steps**
  - Diana will ask committee members for sample note

**Next Committee Meeting**

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 1:30 pm- 2:30 pm.

**Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**