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Planning Council Update

At the December meeting, OneCare Kansas Planning Council partners received updates on current projects, and discussed needs and opportunities pre- and post-launch of the program. Updates included information on the OCK payment structure, refined target population data, as well as the status of provider applications and the provider application network. Planning Council members also continued their conversations related to opportunities for engaging potential providers, provider education, as well as member education and engagement.

For more information or to see full Planning Council meeting summaries and slide presentations, visit <https://www.kancare.ks.gov/providers/onecare-ks-providers/onecare-kansas-planning-council>.

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Asthma Action Plan

Asthma is a very common diagnosis for children and adults. Asthma symptoms can be minor requiring a rescue inhaler to be used only periodically, or severe enough that hospitalization is needed. It is crucial for everyone that has a diagnosis of asthma to have an Asthma Action Plan. An Asthma Action Plan (or Management Plan) is a written plan that is created with a doctor to help control asthma symptoms.

The goal of an Asthma Action Plan is to reduce or prevent flare-ups and emergency room (ER) visits. As a Care Coordinator for OneCare, one of your responsibilities will be to ensure that a plan is made and on file. It is required that Care Coordinators make sure that every member with an asthma diagnosis has an Asthma Action Plan. If there is no action plan in place, the OneCare Care Coordinator needs to explain to the member what it is and why it is beneficial.

The Care Coordinator must then make the contact with the member’s primary care physician to create the action plan. The Care Coordinator can accompany the member to the appointment to ensure all questions are answered and make sure they understand the plan. The last responsibility of the Care Coordinator is to distribute the plan to everyone that is involved in the member’s care and to ensure the member benefits from its usage.

For more information on asthma action plans and an example form, please visit <https://www.aafa.org/asthma-treatment-action-plan/>



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Member Invitation and Enrollment Process Webinar

In this webinar, KDHE will walk providers through a variety of processes that have been developed to invite potentially eligible members to participate and enroll them in OneCare Kansas. This will include important dates to remember related to the enrollment process.

Event: OneCare Kansas Provider Webinar Series: Member Invitation and Enrollment Process

When: Friday 31 January 2020, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Time Zone: (GMT-06:00) Central Time (US and Canada)

Audio Conference Details:

Audio is presented through your computer speakers.

If you are unable to join online, you may listen in via telephone.

Dial 1-877-400-9499 and enter conference code 658 421 2274#

Presenter: Dawn Grams

Dawn Grams is the Training Coordinator for KDHE Division of Healthcare Finance.

SPACE IS LIMITED TO 95 PARTICIPANTS! REGISTER SOON!

To register now, please visit the following link:

https://wichitaccsr.adobeconnect.com/ock_memberenroll/event/registration.html

To know more about the event, please visit our website:

https://wichitaccsr.adobeconnect.com/ock_memberenroll/event/event_info.html

Provider Information Tour

The OCK State team and MCO partners will be holding an informational tour for providers. KDHE staff will be available throughout the day to answer your general questions about the program and opportunities for organizations to apply to join the service provider network. All events are scheduled for 10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

Topeka– February 5, 2020

Colby– February 18, 2020

Wichita– February 19, 2020

Lunch will be provided

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

To register in the city of your choice, click: [OCK Provider Education Tour February 2020](#)

For additional information, please contact Vanessa.Lohf@wichita.edu



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If you have questions, or would like more information about OneCare Kansas, please contact us.

Our page on the KanCare website also contains information about our work to develop the project and documents are being updated regularly.

If you would like to receive this newsletter please send us an email.

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Influenza Vaccination

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) would like to remind everyone that its not too late to get vaccinated to protect yourself from influenza. Influenza is a potentially serious disease that can lead to hospitalization and sometimes even death. Every flu season is different, and influenza infection can affect people differently, but millions of people get flu every year, hundreds of thousands of people are hospitalized and thousands to tens of thousands of people die from flu-related causes every year.

An annual seasonal flu vaccine is the best way to help protect against flu. Vaccination has been shown to have many benefits including reducing the risk of flu illnesses, hospitalizations and even the risk of flu-related death in children. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get an influenza vaccine every season with rare exception. The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has made this recommendation since the 2010-11 influenza season.

Vaccination to prevent flu is particularly important for people who are at high risk of developing serious flu complications. Most people who get sick with flu will have mild illness, will not need medical care or antiviral drugs and will recover in less than two weeks. Some people, however, are more likely to get flu complications that can result in hospitalization and sometimes death.

Pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus infections and ear infections are examples of flu-related complications. Flu also can make chronic health problems worse. For example, people with asthma may experience asthma attacks while they have flu and people with chronic congestive heart failure may experience a worsening of this condition triggered by flu.

If you would like to learn more about the influenza vaccine and how to keep yourself and others safe this flu season please visit the CDC website at: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/highrisk/index.htm>