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Planning Council Update

In June, members of the OneCare Kansas Planning Council gathered in Topeka to hear updates on project implementation, initial steps toward identifying a program target population, and discuss elements to support the development of quality OCK service providers based on learnings from previous program providers. Planning Council members continue to communicate with their respective networks and provide valuable input to the State planning team in a variety of areas. Be watching for information about our next statewide Provider Forum scheduled for August 15 in Newton, KS!

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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OneCare Kansas Communication Updates

As you may know, one of the aims of OneCare Kansas is to support and encourage the adoption of the Behavioral Health Tobacco Guidelines. The State Team has been made aware of an upcoming grant opportunity from NAMI Kansas related to these guidelines and we are passing that information along to you.

NAMI Kansas will be disbursing \$50,000 in mini-grant funds in 2019 to support organizations who serve individuals living with a serious mental illness and/or substance use disorder and who develop a work plan to implement one or more of the 12 strategies outlined in the [Kansas Tobacco Guideline for Behavioral Health Care](#).

Details about the mini-grant program can be found on the NAMI Kansas website at <https://namikansas.org/mini-grants-for-implementing-the-tobacco-guideline-for-behavioral-health-care/>. You may download the [Request for Proposals](#) (RFP) to review the purpose of this mini-grant program and all requirements.

Completed proposals must be submitted online by close of business on **August 2, 2019**. **All applicants must have endorsed the Tobacco Guideline for Behavioral Health Care and completed the [Tobacco Guideline Self-Assessment](#).**

Direct questions for more information to minigrants.namikansas@gmail.com.

Thank you for your interest in OneCare Kansas and the important work NAMI is doing to reduce the prevalence of tobacco use in our state.



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OneCare Kansas Quality Sub-Group Update

At the July OneCare Kansas Planning Council, members were asked to think about previous health homes partners and participate in a roundtable process to answer a series of questions. The questions were designed to identify best practices, challenges and lessons learned from the first health homes program related to program design, outcomes, success and data sources.

The state hopes to leverage this information to design future monitoring and reporting tools to better capture program success and support OneCare partners as they implement the new program. This week, the OneCare Quality Sub-group began categorizing the feedback and analyzing potential avenues for incorporating it into the OneCare program and quality design.

We will continue to update stakeholders on the progress this important subgroup is undertaking. Well-designed quality strategies take time and thought to construct and we appreciate the brainstorming and purposeful thought that many of you have contributed to this process. Thank you!

OneCare Kansas Provider Learning Forum

August 15, 2019 | 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Check in and Networking begins at 8:30 a.m.

Meridian Center | Newton, KS

Seats are limited to the first 200 who register at:

[OCK Provider Forum August 2019 Registration!](#)

Please join us for the second OneCare Kansas Provider Learning Forum. If you joined us in March, you know that these Forums are packed with useful information about program development and offer providers the opportunity to ask state staff questions as well as directly interact with other potential OneCare Kansas Partners. Don't miss your opportunity to participate, turn-out at the first Forum was high and seating is limited so please register early.

We hope to see you there!

For more information about the event, 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.

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Healthy and Safe Swimming

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention reminds us that though summer is the perfect time to enjoy a pool or lake, there are things to remember in order to swim safely.

Prevent Injury

Staying safe in and around the water is important. Don't forget drowning prevention. Drowning is a leading cause of unintentional injury death among children 1–14 years old. In fact, drowning kills more young children 1–4 years old than anything else except birth defects.

Of drowning victims who survive and are treated in emergency rooms, more than half are hospitalized or transferred for further care. They often experience brain damage, which can cause memory problems, learning disabilities, or permanent loss of basic functioning. Swimmers can prevent drowning by learning swimming skills, by wearing life vests, and by swimming under the close supervision of parents, caregivers, or lifeguards who know cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Protect yourself from the sun

The sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays can damage your skin in as little as 15 minutes. Put on broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 15 before you go outside, even on slightly cloudy or cool days. Don't forget to put a thick layer on all parts of exposed skin. Get help for hard-to-reach places like your back. And remember, sunscreen works best when combined with other options to prevent UV damage such as long sleeves and hats.

Warm summer weather brings plenty of fun and outdoor activities, just remember to respect the heat, sun and water by taking the necessary precautions to ensure you stay safe this summer. For more information, see <https://www.cdc.gov/Features/HealthySwimming/index.html> or https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/sun-safety.htm on the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) website.