

Final Rule Stakeholder Call

Topics: Updates on the Status of Kansas' Statewide Transition Plan, the HCBS Provider Universe, and Conversations with the Department's Leadership

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Noon call (60 participants on the line)

1. **Question/Comment:** You said the provider universe has been narrowed down. Do you have a number, or is that more of a way to define the universe?

KDADS: This is more of a way to define the universe. There are certain services that are only provided in the person's home and there is no provider control there so those have been eliminated. FFS providers have been eliminated, but I don't have an exact number.

2. **Question/Comment:** Since we are all getting used to the new players in the game, could you tell us a little bit about your responsibilities at KDADS?

KDADS: I am the new HCBS director. I oversee the seven waiver programs and their managers. I am part of the team that is working on the Final Rule. We are in the process of hiring some new program managers, so I am directly working on five of the seven waivers until we have new people in place.

3. **Question/Comment:** You said that you didn't have an exact number for the provider universe, but do you know what types of providers are going to be on that list? You said FMS providers are out. What about day service and residential providers?

KDADS: Those will be opted in as well as the FE waiver will also be in the provider universe.

4. **Question/Comment:** Can you tell me what the provider universe means?

KDADS: In order to determine how and who we follow up with in regard to HCBS services, we looked at the services that are provided through the waivers. Then we looked at those that would fall under a need for further follow up as related to site specific or to be accessible for the HCBS waivers. Some of these services such as the TBI waivers are all delivered in someone's own home, so those would not be followed up since there is no provider-controlled element. This will include places like residential and adult day care services.

5. **Question/Comment:** You mentioned that the STP is being submitted to CMS by March 30th, will that be something that will be posted for the public to have access to?

KDADS: I think after it is finalized it will be put up on our website.

6. **Question/Comment:** What is the date that KDADS plans to submit this next plan?

KDADS: We have told CMS that we will submit our plan for initial approval by March 30th.

7. Question/Comment: Will all providers have a site review, or will it be a random sample?

KDADS: We will need to talk to KDADS leadership about this and identify how to proceed. I don't have answer for that today, but we will let everyone know as soon as we know. It will hopefully be on next month's call.

8. Question/Comment: When you were talking about the provider universe and specifically about the TBI waiver services being provided in the person's home not being in a provider-controlled environment and not being covered under a waiver. Does this apply to people with TA services since those services are provided in the home?

KDADS: TA waiver, yes. All of those services are provided in the home. There are some concerns about foster care settings, but we are going to have to work through that.

9. Question/Comment: I have a question about site review. If someone is receiving HCBS residential, but live in their own apartment, would this need to be under review?

KDADS: I believe that would be under review since it would be considered a provider-controlled site and is in need of review per the waiver.

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Evening call (5 participants on the line)

No questions.

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