

For Immediate Release

December 26, 2013

For more information, contact:

Angela de Rocha
Director of Communications
Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
785-806-7482

KDADS Announces Appointment of New Commissioner for Financial and Information Services

TOPEKA – Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) Secretary Shawn Sullivan announced today that Brad Ridley has accepted the position of Commissioner for Financial and Information Services at the agency. His appointment was effective December 23, 2013.

Ridley comes to this new job with broad knowledge of the programs administered by KDADS and its financial operations. He joined the agency in 2003 as a management systems analyst. Most recently he has served as Director of Fiscal and Program Evaluation under former Commissioner Dave Halferty, and played a critical role on the KDADS team working to implement KanCare.

He holds BS and BA degrees from Kansas State University and is a graduate of the University of Kansas' Certified Public Manager program.

“We value all of our KDADS employees and it is gratifying to watch staff develop and grow into greater responsibilities. Please join me in congratulating Brad on his new appointment,” said Secretary Sullivan.

Commissioner Halferty left the position of Commissioner for Financial and Information Services December 20, 2013 to work in the private sector. He had been with the agency since 1999. KDADS is grateful for his long, dedicated service to the state and wishes him well in his new endeavors.

###

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services mission is to foster an environment that promotes security, dignity and independence for all Kansans.