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Governor Brownback, KDADS Honor State Employees for Outstanding Service

TOPEKA – Five employees from the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) were honored for exemplary service at a ceremony in the state Capitol Wednesday. They are among 12 agency and state hospital employees being recognized for their outstanding performance.

This was the 4th such Employee of the Quarter ceremony, part of the State Employee Award and Recognition Program created by the state Legislature that showcases the good work being done by state employees. Winners are nominated by their co-workers and supervisors at state agencies, the hospitals and other state institutions.

“I am extremely proud of the high-quality work performed by our central office staff and hospital employees for the people of Kansas,” Secretary Sullivan said. “This is one of the ways we let them know they are valued and appreciated.”

“The caliber of service delivered by our employees to those the agency assists—the elderly and the vulnerable—is something Kansans should recognize and acknowledge,” Secretary Sullivan.

All employees recognized for the quarter receive a \$350 bonus, and Employees of the Quarter receive an additional \$400.

KDADS and state hospital employees who were honored this quarter are:

KDADS – Central Office

Kathy Keck – Distinguished Accomplishment – Employee of the Quarter

Jeff Burkhart – Innovation

Deby Zimmerman – Meritorious Service

Osawatomie State Hospital

Ashley Byram – Innovation – Employee of the Quarter

Kathy Gayetsky – Distinguished Accomplishment

Scott Cook – Meritorious Service

Larned State Hospital

Linda Haines – Innovation - Employee of the Quarter

Cathy Cooper – Distinguished Accomplishment

Sandy Cullisen – Meritorious Service

Parsons State Hospital

Joe Kinder – Meritorious Service – Employee of the Quarter

Kansas Neurological Institute

Chari Miller – Distinguished Accomplishment – Employee of the Quarter

Anita White – Meritorious Service

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