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Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)
Program Update

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General Overview: Post-KanCare Implementation

- *Pre-KanCare*: High utilization of HCBS waivers and high nursing home utilization.
-Proper coordination of all services (medical, behavioral, long term support services) was not occurring.
- *Post-KanCare*: We are starting to see more integration of care

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HCBS savings fund balance and money saved on Transfers to HCBS Waiver

- **HCBS SAVINGS** are only realized if/when an individual is moved into a community setting from an institutional setting and the bed is closed.
- The **savings** resulting from the individuals to home and community based services was \$0. (October 1, 2013)
- **Current balance** in the KDADS Home and Community Based Services Savings Fund was \$0. (October 1, 2013)

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Waiting Lists Update

- In SFY 2013, 8,600 Kansans received HCBS/IDD waiver services on average, per month; 2,997 people are currently waiting for services.
- In SFY 2013, 5,902 Kansans received HCBS PD waiver services on average, per month; 2,000 people are currently waiting for services.
- ❖ By June 30, 2013, 100 individuals had been moved from the PD waiting list and began receiving services.

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Waiting Lists: Current Efforts

- Last spring, Governor Brownback announced that \$18.5 million in savings gained from KanCare savings would go towards waiting list reductions.
 - That money was released on September 11, 2013.
 - It will bring 418 individuals off the PD waiting list
 - It will bring 235 individuals off the DD waiting list.
 - KDADS is working with MCOs, providers, and community organizations to build capacity to serve these individuals.
- KDADS continues to work on “waiting list maintenance”
 - ✓ Reduce duplication & ensure integrity
 - ✓ KDADS will send letter to wait list members to get up to date information

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Waiting Lists: Efforts by the MCOs

- MCOs have begun providing limited services to individuals on an as needed basis to prevent institutionalize and minimize the burden of individuals who are waiting for services on the PD and DD waiver.
- Have assisted members in receiving assistive technology or home modifications, non-Medicaid services, and other improvements
- MCOs are looking at other services they can provide to individuals who are awaiting services to minimize the need for services, increase employment, and improve independence.

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