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Teri's Topic

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- *Meetings for Members and Families about KanCare Changes
- Tues. Sep. 4 6-8 pm
 Marriott Corporate Hills
 9100 Corporate Hills Dr.
 Wichita, KS
- Wed. Sep. 5 6-8 pm
 K-State Olathe
 22201 W. Innovation Dr.
 Olathe, KS
- Thurs. Sep. 6 6-7:30 pm

 Conference Call:

 1-833-795-0476

Transitions coming to KanCare

As of January 1, 2019, Amerigroup will no longer be a participant in KanCare. This means those who use Amerigroup for their Managed Care Organization (MCO) must take action now in planning their transition to another MCO. The three MCOs are now Sunflower Health Plan, United Health Care and Aetna.

For those members of Amerigroup, and for those looking to change



to another provider, you must first decide which you will switch to. Check first with your doctors to see who they will accept. Call or look at the website for each MCO to gain more information. You can find additional information on the KanCare website.

Open enrollment will start in October and will be extended to the end of December. You will want to start the process as soon as you can to avoid any hiccups. Members of Amerigroup who do not take action in the transition process will be automatically assigned to Aetna on January 1, 2019, and run the risk of your doctor not accepting Aetna. This would not be an ideal situation—we have seen it happen before.

*There will be meetings in early September for members and families to learn about all changes that will be coming to KanCare. We will be in attendance at one of these meetings, where we will become as knowledgeable as possible about the new changes.

Feel free to call our office or speak with your case manager for guidance in the transition process.

How to obtain information on the Managed Care Companies (MCOs)

Sunflower Health Plan

sunflowerhealthplan.com

1-877-644-4623

United Health Care

uhccommunityplan.com

1-877-542-9238

<u>Aetna</u>

(contact information is not available yet—
we will post this information
when we have in on our website)

KanCare Enrollment Center

Kmap-state-ks.us/hcp/member

1-800-305-5147



"Don't Walk in front of me; I may not follow.

Don't walk behind me; I may not lead.

Please just walk beside me- and be my friend!"

ACTION REQUIRED WORKER'S COMPENTSATION ELECTION

Our contract with the State of Kansas requires that we document each consumer's/ employer's workers' compensation election annually. Life Patterns has obtained one policy that covers all consumers affiliated with us, regardless of the employer's status under the act.

Life Patterns highly recommends that even if, as an employer, you are exempt from obtaining workers compensation insurance that you elect coverage. There is no cost to you the employer, or to your employees for this coverage. By electing coverage, you are safeguarding your assets in the event of an injury to one of your employees, including family members. If you do not elect coverage and one of your workers gets hurt on the job, you could be personally liable.

PLEASE RETURN THE ATTACHED ELECTION FORM TO OUR OFFICE BY MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR IN PERSON