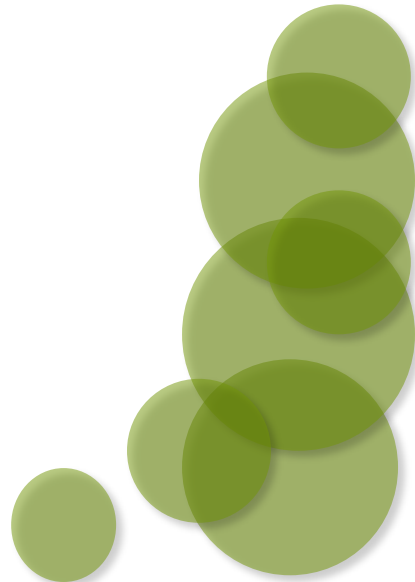


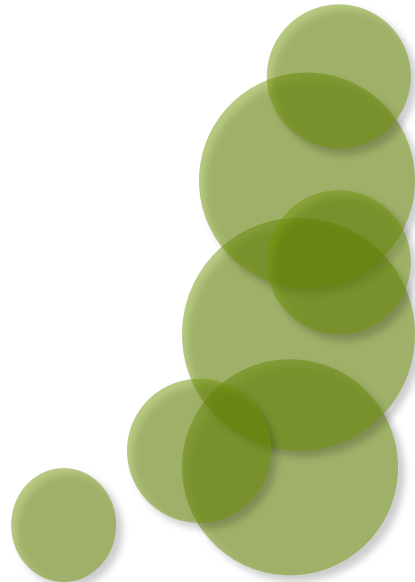


2022 Advocacy Day
10:00-11:00 AM
February 18, 2022



Thank you to our Special Guests

- Senator Kristin O'Shea http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/members/sen_oshea_kristen_1/
Public Health & Welfare Committee and Senior Care Task Force
- Kari Bruffett, VP for Policy, Kansas Health Institute www.khi.org
Facilitator of Senior Care Task Force
- John Peterson, Capitol Strategies <https://www.capitolstrategiesks.com/>
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KANSAS SENIOR CARE TASK FORCE: WORKING GROUPS

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February 18, 2022

TASK FORCE CHARGE

The Task Force was charged with studying the following topics:

- Provision of care for seniors in the state of Kansas who suffer from Alzheimer's disease, dementia, and other age-related mental health conditions;
- Administration of anti-psychotic medications to adult care home residents;
- Safeguards to prevent abuse, neglect, and exploitation of seniors;
- Adult care home surveys and fines;

TASK FORCE CHARGE

Task Force topics, continued:

- Funding and implementing the Senior Care Act (SCA);
- Senior daycare resources; and
- Rebalancing of home and community-based services.

Final Task Force report due before 2023 Session.

TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP

Legislative Members: Rep. Susan Concannon, Sen. Richard Hilderbrand, Sen. Cindy Holscher, Sen. Kristen O'Shea, Rep. Charlotte Esau, Rep. Jarrod Ousley

Non-Legislative Members: 16

KHI ROLE

- Administrative Support for Working Groups
- Process Facilitation Services
- Working Group Report

PRODUCT

- Working Group Report
 - Will include a strategic roadmap and recommended changes to state statutes, rules and regulations, policies and programs.

WORKING GROUPS

Quality of Care & Protective Services

- The administration of antipsychotic medications to adult care home residents
- The safeguards to prevent abuse, neglect and exploitation of seniors in the state of Kansas
- Adult care home surveys and fines

Access to Services

- The provision of care for seniors in the state of Kansas who suffer from Alzheimer's disease, dementia or other age-related mental health conditions
- The funding and implementation of the Kansas senior care act, K.S.A. 75-5926 through 75-5936, and amendments thereto
- Senior daycare resources in the state of Kansas
- Rebalancing of home and community based services.

Workforce

Cross-cutting issue

Made up of subset of other working group members

MEMBERSHIP

- Working Group Chairpersons:
 - Chair: Non-Legislative Task Force Member
 - Vice Chair: Legislative Task Force Member
- Content Experts
 - Task Force Members
 - Non-Task Force Members
- *Supplemental experts may be invited by working groups to participate in specific meetings to provide additional information.*

TIMELINE

December 2021

- Visioning
- SWOT analysis

January-April 2022

- Review recommendations from Task Force, others
- Research/discuss topics
- Develop recommendations

April-May 2022

- Refine and Characterize Recommendations
- Finalize Recommendation Language

June 2022

- Finalize Recommendation List
- Ratify Report



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THANK YOU
Any questions?

You can connect with us at: kbruffett@khi.org

2022 Legislative Priorities: Status Update

1. Fully funded nursing facility Medicaid reimbursement rates based upon cost report years 2019, 2020, 2021 and inflation factor through 12/31/22

- Read our [testimony](#) to House Social Service Budget Committee. House budget recs coming Monday, budget testimony on Senate side also on Monday.

2. Temporary Staffing Agency Reform

- HB 2524 passed favorably out of House Children and Seniors Committee 2/17. Amended the 150% cap on agency charges to 200% with a 1 year sunset. Further amended to add transparency language requiring agencies to report employee wage costs vs. Administrative costs and profits.

3. Restore use of temporary aides – HB 2477 signed by Governor Jan 21st. Temporary aides allowed for one year. There is a caveat for nursing homes who also need the matching federal waiver to stay in place to use temp aides.

4. Update and expand CNA training in Kansas

- SB 453 hearing held in Senate Public Health and Welfare. Fate will be decided this morning

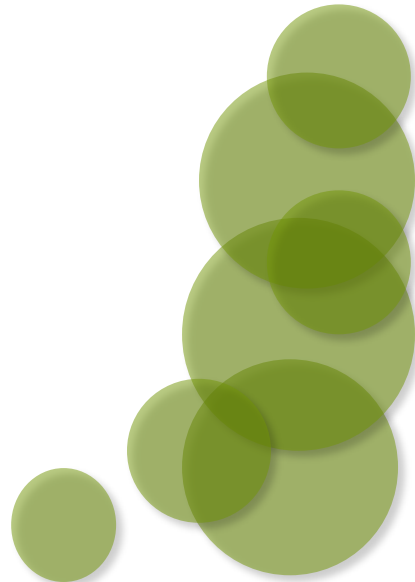
5. Other important legislation

- HB 2652 extends pandemic liability protections for businesses, hospitals and adult care homes until Jan 20, 2023



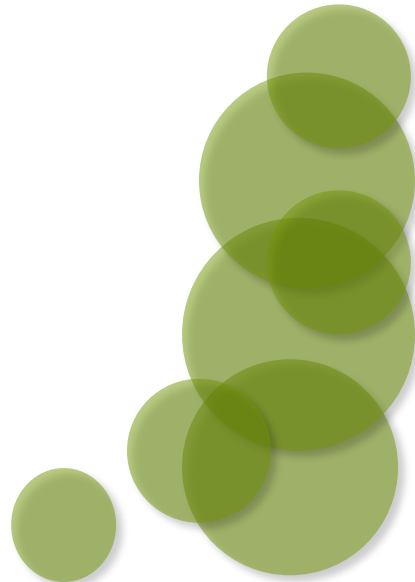
Poll Question

1. Have you had contact with your state senator or representative in the last 3-6 months?
2. Will you commit to contact your state legislator/s when LeadingAge Kansas sends you an action alert?



What should I do with my legislators?

1. Build an ongoing relationship.
2. Position yourself as a go-to expert resource in their district on LTC/aging service issues and care provision.
3. Welcome them to your campus once a year at least.
4. Reach out when issues arise (watch for our Action Alerts.)
5. If you don't know answer, that's OK. Refer them to us.
6. Thank them for their service.



Links of Interest

- Legislature YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/c/KSLegislatureLIVE>
- [Welcome | Kansas State Legislature](#)

