



July 15, 2026
Member Announcements

Professional Education and Training

DC:0-5 Clinical Training Information

DC:0-5TM Clinical Training equips clinicians with practical skills to diagnose and support children from birth to age five. Led by experts, the program blends instruction, case work, and discussion to deliver a culturally grounded, developmentally sensitive, and relationship-based framework to support early childhood development and mental health. Trainings run through August.

For more information: DC:0-5TM Clinical Training

Kansas Children's Service League – Parent Leadership Conference— Kansas Children's Service League (KCSL), in collaboration with other sponsoring agencies, hosts the annual Parent Leadership Conference, a free event designed to help and strengthen the voice of Kansas parents. Save the date for the 2026 conference: Saturday, Sept. 19.

Hope Links – Youth Suicide Prevention Conference — The objective of Connect & Empower Con is to provide those working with youth in Kansas with comprehensive knowledge of existing state and community-based resources, programs, and support services that enhance their capacity to identify, intervene, and prevent youth suicide.

Data and Information

- **All In for Kansas Kids** — A statewide initiative supporting Kansas's early childhood system, with a strategic plan, resources, needs assessments, and information to help ensure children and families thrive.
- **Kansas Child & Family Well-Being Pathway** — Provides county-level data on child and family well-being, identifies areas of strength and need, and offers practical ideas and examples for community action.
- **Kansas KIDS COUNT**— Offers data and indicators on the health, education, economic well-being, and overall outcomes of Kansas children and families.

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- [Welcoming Babies Resource Hub](#) — Connects new and expecting families with Kansas resources related to newborn screening, postpartum support, infant health, and early childhood.
- [1-800-CHILDREN](#) — A statewide resource directory and helpline connecting Kansas families with parenting support, childcare, basic needs, healthcare, and other community services.
- [Help Me Grow Kansas](#) — Helps families connect with developmental screenings, community resources, and services that support healthy child development.
- [County Health Rankings & Roadmaps](#) — Provides data and evidence-informed strategies to help communities understand and improve the factors that influence health and well-being.
- [Paxis Institute](#)— Resource for evidence-based trauma informed care strategies and tools.
- [Kansas Children's Service League](#) — Provides family support and child abuse prevention programs and helps connect Kansas parents and caregivers with resources and services.
- [National Conference on Citizenship – Civic Health Index](#) — Resources and reports examining civic engagement and civic health.
- [Kansas Civic Health Report – Kansas Health Foundation](#) — 2016 report examining civic engagement and civic health in Kansas.
- [Kansas Leadership Center](#) — Provides leadership development programs and tools to help Kansans strengthen communities and address civic and community challenges.
- [Kansas Health Institute – Kansas Uninsured Rate Among Children Rose](#) — Examines the increase in uninsured Kansas children and recent trends in children's health coverage.
- [Georgetown University Center for Children and Families – Uninsured Young Children Report](#) — National analysis showing that uninsured rates for young children increased more sharply than rates for older children between 2022 and 2024.
- [Kansas Action for Children – Sharp Increase in Young Uninsured Kansas Kids](#) — Kansas-focused analysis reporting a significant increase in the number of uninsured children under age 6.

Legislative Updates from Kansas Action for Children

Stay up to date with what Kansas lawmakers are doing for children and families and subscribe to Kansas Action for Children, KAC's newsletter, new issues every Friday during legislative season and once a month during the off season. Subscribe at <http://www.kac.org/join> and contact Heather Braum for questions.

Kansas Rural Health Transformation Bill

[Kansas was awarded \\$221 Million](#) from the [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services \(CMS\)](#) to support the first year of the Rural Health Transformation Program. This funding award exceeds the base amount states were allocated and reflects the quality of Kansas' application.

- Questions regarding the allocation of additional funding contact: Matt Lara, Chief of Staff, KDHE matthew.lara@ks.gov.
- Click [here](#) to Sign up for updates.

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Transforming Maternal Health (TMaH) Model supports participating state Medicaid agencies in advancing a whole-person approach to pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum care. By addressing physical health, mental health, and social needs during and after pregnancy, the model aims to improve outcomes and experiences for mothers and babies while reducing overall healthcare costs.

Sign up for updates and learn more here.

Opportunities

Columbia University Center for the Transition to Parenthood Funding Opportunity

The Center for the Transition to Parenthood (CTtP) at Columbia University is accepting applications for its annual Award to Enhance the Perinatal Care Ecosystem. The program will award two \$50,000 grants to support research projects or community-based initiatives that improve perinatal care and family well-being. Priority is given to innovative projects focused on health equity, access to care, perinatal mental health, prenatal programming, and interventions that strengthen outcomes for parents and infants. Applications for the 2026–2027 funding cycle are due September 1, 2026, with funding beginning January 31, 2027. [Apple here.](#)

A New Funding Opportunity Through the Kansas Rural Health Transformation Program Has Been Released

Through the Interfacility Transport project (IFTp), the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) seeks transformative ideas to decrease transport delays and improve patient outcomes, patient satisfaction, and provider satisfaction. Funds must be used for the development, coordination, implementation, and evaluation of IFTp program activities in accordance with Kansas RHTP and project requirements. Funding cannot be used to replace currently reimbursable services but may be used to supplement existing services or to create new approaches.

Any Kansas-based organization that provides services in a rural area may apply for funding. The application closes July 31, 2026, and KDHE anticipates announcing awardees Aug. 28, 2026.

The request for applications is available on the Kansas RHTP [website](#). KDHE will host a webinar on July 8, 2026, at 1 p.m. for anyone interested in learning more about the project. Register for the webinar [here](#).

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