



**KHPA Consumer Advisory Council Meeting**  
August 29, 2008, Landon State Office Building, Topeka, KS  
Minutes

**KHPA Consumer Advisory Council Members Present:**

Peggy Johnson, Chair  
Tim Davis  
Corrie Edwards  
Rocky Nichols  
Alvin Penner  
Teresa Schwab  
Maury Thompson  
Shannon Jones  
Mitzi McFatrach

**KHPA Staff Participants:**

Barbara Langner, Policy Director

**Welcome by Peggy Johnson, Chair and Barbara Langner, Policy Director:**

Peggy Johnson opened the meeting by thanking everyone for coming. Barbara Langner asked for the council members to introduce themselves and then reviewed the agenda packet.

**Overview of the KHPA Board and Health Reform Update – Dr. Barbara Langner**

Dr. Barbara Langner presented a PowerPoint which gave an overview of what took place at the KHPA Board June retreat and the August meeting. Dr. Langner reviewed KHPA's Strategic Plan, KHPA Budget proposals, and the Medicaid Transformation process. Dr. Langner also reviewed the priorities for the upcoming legislative session, the Legislative Coordinating Committee (LCC) studies, and shared ideas for how to message health reform. The agenda packet can be viewed on the KHPA Web site at:

<http://www.khpa.ks.gov/AuthorityBoard/Advisory%20Councils/default.htm>.

**Dialogue with Council Members:**

Council members discussed recommendations for the Kansas Health Policy Authority Board. It has been recommended that the Board look at how other state agencies structure their process for public input on such topics as budgeting in general. Certain council members expressed concern with having a Preferred Drug List for mental health drugs. Dr. Langner spoke with the Council and assured them KHPA is proposing to have a panel of professionals that have the credentials and training to discuss what should be on the Preferred Drug List.

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Council members discussed how to message the health reform package for the 2009 Legislative Session. Members offered their help to provide consumers as a face behind health reform.

**Next Steps, Dr. Langner:**

The KHPA Board will be having its monthly meeting on September 16, 2008 and will discuss replacement membership for the Advisory Councils.

**Adjournment:**

Members will be notified of upcoming meetings by email or by phone.