

Cottonwood CDDO Affiliate Meeting

**4/23/2024 – 2pm
Teams**

Present: Angela Levy, Alisa Snyder, Angie Reinking, Caitlyn Hendershott, Colleen Himmelberg, Colleen Hunter, Connie Farmer, Dave Skinner, Katie Fitzgerald, Heather Thies, Hugh Murphy, Ian Pepin, Janine Gracy, Jon Gerdel, Jon Tran, Kathleen Sylvester, Lynette Goldizen, Mike Glaves, Nancy Bullock, Nicole Brown, Ranita Wilks, Rebecca Guerra, Sarah Rutledge, Sally Martin, Susan Davis, Josh Saunders, Corby Lockwood, Mark Gonzales, Missy Floyd, Amber Frost, Jenny Horn, Ali Sloan

1. Guest Speakers – Sean Swindler, Hanna Traphagan, & Rakeem Akkika of the Kansas Family Support Center gave a presentation on behavioral support training and resources available to families, PCS workers, and other direct support staff.
2. System Updates
 - a. IDD Waiver Renewal – The public comment period has ended and KDADS is waiting on approval from CMS for the IDD Waiver to be renewed with updates effective July 1, 2024.
 - b. HCBS Final Rule – LaTonia Wright of KDADS will be the guest speaker at our July meeting to provide updated training regarding the Final Rule.
 - c. KDADS/CDDO Contract
 - i. KDADS and CDDOs are in the process of negotiating the contract for Fiscal Year 2025, which starts on July 1, 2024.
 - ii. Capacity Assessment – This was submitted to KDADS on March 31st with much of the same information as the previous year. Providers and families continue to struggle with hiring and retaining direct support workers.
 - iii. Workgroups
 1. CDDO Operations – the March meeting was canceled.
 2. Eligibility – on hold
 3. Functional Assessment – on hold
 4. Quality Assurance – on hold
 5. Complex Needs – on hold

3. Provider Sharing / Announcements – No one had anything to share.
4. Consumer Marketing List is available by contacting Angela Levy-
alevy@cwccdo.org
5. The next meeting will be July 23rd at 2pm.

Minutes by Angela Levy