

# February 14, 2013

Happy Valentine's Day from all of us at ACS!

If you've been part of the ACS team for over a year and have worked at least 1,000 hours, you may be eligible to enroll in the **NEW ACS 401k retirement program**. This year, ACS is moving from a SIMPLE I.R.A program to the 401K program that allows our caregivers to save more for their retirement and adds the choice of a pre-tax contribution or a post-tax (ROTH) option. Participation is voluntary and each participant controls how much they wish to contribute. Under the 401K program, ACS will match up to 4% of your contributions. Contact us today if you want to learn more!

Jacque Clifton

### On Tour Now: KanCare Educational Meetings

You're invited to attend an informative meeting all about the new KanCare program and choose the plan that is best for you and your family.

Between Monday, February 18 and Thursday, February 21, meetings will be held in various cities across Kansas. There will be two meetings on the same day in each of the cities visited -- one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

Meeting times: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. AND 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The schedule is listed below. For more information about KanCare, be sure to visit the official KanCare website.

# Meeting Date: Monday, February 18

Locations:

- Dodge City
  - Dodge City Senior Center
  - o 2408 Central
- Manhattan
  - Holiday Inn at Campus, Landon Room
  - 1641 Anderson Ave.
- Winfield

- Baden Square, Community Center
- o 700 Gary St.

### Topeka

- o Capitol Plaza Hotel, Shawnee Ballroom
- o 1717 SW Topeka Blvd.

# Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 19

#### Locations:

### Garden City

- Clarion Inn, North Central Ballroom
- o 1911 E. Kansas Ave.

#### Salina

- o Bicentennial Center, NW Heritage Hall
- o 800 The Midway

### Parsons

- o Parsons Recreation Center, Betty Anderson Room
- o 200 S. Heacock

### Kansas City

- Hilton Garden Inn, Wyandotte 2
- o 520 Minnesota Ave.

# Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 20

### Locations:

# Colby

- o City Limits Convention Center, Otterbourne Room
- o 2227 S. Range

#### Great Bend

- o Highland Hotel, North Heritage Room
- o 3017 10th St.

### Fort Scott

- Fort Scott Community College Ellis Fine Arts Center, Meeting Rooms
- o 2108 S. Horton

#### Olathe

- Holiday Inn, Ballroom A/B
- o 101 W. 151st St.

# Meeting Date: Thursday, February 21

### Locations:

### Hays

- Hays Ramada Inn
- o 3603 Vine St.

# Wichita

- Wichita State University Metroplex, Lowe Auditorium
- o 5015 E. 29th St. North

# • Emporia

o Emporia Senior Center

- o 603 E. 12th Ave.
- Atchison
  - Heritage Conference Center, American Suite
  - o 710 S. 9th St.

#### **KanCare Reminders**

Consumers can still change MCO's through April 4th; please keep ACS updated if you make a change.

Consumers should NOT have a reduction in their plan of care for the first 90 days of KanCare. If you have concerns about your new plan of care or your waiver reassessment, contact the state ombudsman James Bart, at the Office of KanCare Ombudsman, toll-free at 855-643-8180 or email KanCare.Ombudsman@kdads.ks.gov.

The state continues to hold phone calls to hear concerns or problems from providers or consumers. Starting next week, these move from daily to twice weekly.

# Remaining call dates:

- Feb. 15
- Feb. 18, 21, 25 and 28 from 9-10 a.m.
- There are no March dates indicated at this time

Remember to check the KanCare website for more info and updates.

# Join a KanCare Work Group

Interested in helping guide the KanCare program? Here's your chance. Two work groups are being formed now and the deadline for nominations has been extended.

The Consumer and Specialized Issues (CSI) work group is in need of people who receive KanCare services to help by:

- Looking at information for people served by KanCare
- Sharing ideas for improving KanCare
- Helping resolve issues that may come up about KanCare

Family members of individuals receiving KanCare can also help.

A Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) is also forming and needs people receiving KanCare or their family members. This group will help decide how to run programs and gauge their success.

Interested? **Download the application form and submit it by February 21, 2013** (details are at the bottom of the form). Not everyone will be chosen due to space available and the need for a variety of individuals. Direct any questions to Cheryl Coughlin at 785-296-8355.