



## Resolution on Community Health Needs Assessment

WHEREAS, Kansas health care advocates and providers want to ensure the health needs of all Kansans are met; and

WHEREAS, Kansas health advocates and providers want to work in cooperation to efficiently and effectively improve the health of Kansans; and

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act requires nonprofit hospitals to complete a periodic community health care needs assessment and to implement strategies that lead to demonstrable improvement in the local health-related situation; and

WHEREAS, local health departments are preparing to conduct community health assessments and improvement plans for meeting public health accreditation requirements; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Kansas Hospital Association and the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments, hereby are working in collaboration on Community Health Needs Assessments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this group will research, review and recommend options and strategies that will assist hospitals in meeting the community needs requirements of the Affordable Care Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this group will research and review options and strategies that will assist local health departments in meeting accreditation requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this group will recommend collaborative approaches in which communities will be able to do assessments that address both health department and hospital needs, as well as take into account the needs and requirements of all organizations focused on the health of Kansans.

Tom Bell, KHA President and CEO

Date

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Lindsay Payer, KALHD President

5-15-11

Date