

**Kansas Hospital Association  
2012 Strategic and Operational Plan**

# Quality and Patient Safety

*Patient care that meets the highest standards of safety and quality.*

Advocacy	Education	Information	Networking/Collaboration	Products/Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Analyze and represent community hospital interests related to regulations and legislation impacting quality processes and reimbursement, e.g., readmissions and infection reporting.</b></li> <li>• <b>Represent community hospital interests regarding the statewide Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Plan in meetings with KDHE, KFMC and KHC.</b></li> <li>• Represent community hospital interests related to standards of care, regulatory requirements and liability protection in disaster situations and with pandemic influenza.</li> <li>• Work with KFMC to implement the 10<sup>th</sup> Statement of Work in ways that support the needs of Kansas hospitals.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Provide trustee education on the role of the board in quality improvement.</b></li> <li>• <b>Provide information and education on the various quality initiatives affecting Kansas hospitals.</b></li> <li>• As a partner in the Kansas Healthcare Collaborative, assist in planning the annual <i>Summit on Quality</i> for health care providers.</li> <li>• Provide resources and trainings to hospitals related to workplace violence and active shooter response.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Provide statewide and hospital-specific impact analyses and summaries of Value-Based Purchasing, Hospital Acquired Conditions and other quality-related requirements and programs.</b></li> <li>• Be a resource for hospitals participating in the Project RED program to reduce readmissions.</li> <li>• Promote various hospital quality initiatives to the public/media.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Work with KMS to implement the Kansas Healthcare Collaborative (KHC) work plan.</b></li> <li>• As a partner in KHC, promote select quality initiatives to member hospitals, e.g., seasonal influenza immunizations for hospital employees project; “On the CUSP” Stop CLABSI (central line-associated infections); and CAUTI (catheter-associated urinary tract infections) initiatives.</li> <li>• Support and encourage the integration of regional trauma and emergency preparedness planning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expand and enhance the Quality Health Indicator tool for hospitals (QHi) through KHERF.</li> <li>• Continue to provide education and guidance to hospitals on integrating QHi into their facility’s overall quality program.</li> <li>• Improve the effectiveness of the EMResource application for trauma, emergency preparedness and time critical diagnoses (STEMI/STROKE capabilities) through KHERF.</li> </ul>

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**Bold - Indicates priority item.**