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New Report Reinforces KHA's Push for a Kansas Plan

(Dec. 8, 2015) The report released today by the Kansas Grantmakers in Health is another important development that reinforces the need for our state to develop a Kansas plan for expanding KanCare. The report corroborates the <u>economic impact analysis</u> released by the Kansas Hospital Association that suggested that it is possible to develop such a plan that is budget neutral and may even help the Kansas budget situation. The evidence continues to mount that the <u>citizens of our state favor the development of a Kansas plan</u> and this report suggests numerous ways to do just that.

<u>The letter from the Kansas Grantmakers in Health</u> can be found online, as can the <u>new analysis by Manatt</u> Health Solutions.

The Kansas Hospital Association is a not-for-profit association of health care provider organizations and individuals that are committed to the health improvement of their communities. KHA membership includes 213 member facilities, of which 126 are full-service community hospitals. Founded in 1910, KHA maintains its vision of "an organization of hospitals working together to improve access, quality and the affordability of health care for all Kansans."