

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garry Boston at 1:30 p.m. on February 21, 2002 in Room 210 Memorial Hall

Committee staff present: Emalene Correll, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dr. Bill Wolff, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statute's Office
Renea Jefferies, Revisor of Statute's Office
June Evans, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Gary Mandermack, Doral Dental
Joyce Cussimano, Executive Director, Kansas
Childrens Cabinet and Trust Fund
David Lake, Director, State Board of Emergency
Medical Services

Others attending: See Attached Sheet

Representative Morrison moved and Representative Welshimer seconded to approve the minutes of January 28, 29, 31, February 4, 5, 6, 7, and 11. The motion carried.

Gary Mandermack, Doral Dental, gave a update on dental care under Healthwave. There are 252 providers in Kansas, 209 are general dentists and the remaining are specialists. 80% are seeing new patients and 20% are seeing existing patients (Attachments 1 & 2).

It was asked what the number of children they can see and Mr. Mandermack said he would provide that information.

It was asked what percentage of dentists in Kansas participate?

Mr. Mandermack said there are approximately 2,000 dentists in Kansas and only 10% participate in the program.

Representative Welshimer asked why there isn't more participation?

Mr. Mandermack replied there are not enough dentists, they are of an aging population and not enough are graduating. We are trying to recruit in outlying areas.

It was asked if the rates Kansas is paying is a problem?

Mr. Mandermack replied that Kansas is generous in their reimbursement to dentists.

Joyce Cussimano, Executive Director, Kansas Childrens Cabinet and Trust Fund, gave an overview of Smart Start Kansas which is a comprehensive early childhood initiative designed to ensure that children enter school ready to learn.

A coalition of organizations committed to improving the oral health of Kansas children has established a pilot for oral health services in Kansas with the vision that all Kansas children would enter kindergarten cavity-free (Attachment 3).

The Chairman opened the hearing on **HB 2665 - Emergency Medical Care, certification to perform activities of.**

David Lake, Director, State Board of Emergency Medical Services, testified as a proponent stating this proposed the establishment of a temporary graduate level of certification for a student who has successfully completed an approved course of instruction, taken with the

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intention of gaining certification as an Emergency Medical Services attendant in Kansas. The student must be serving with the ambulance service requesting the temporary certification and the student is working under the direct supervision at all times of a physician, physician assistant, professional nurse or an attendant who is at or above the certification level that the student has applied for (Attachment 4).

The Chairman closed the hearing on **HB 2665** and asked if the Committee wished to work the bill.

Representative Showalter moved and Representative Lightner seconded to move **HB 2665** out favorably.

Representative Wells moved a Substitute motion and Representative Long seconded to move **HB 2665** out favorably and place on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. and the Sub-Committee met following the full committee. The next meeting will be February 25, 2002.