

Status of Entities Whose Contracts Were Not Renewed

Item C on page 15 of the Omnibus Memo referred to the status of entities whose contracts the agency indicated were not planned to be renewed for FY 2016. The Committee requested additional information on whether there was a possibility the entities would be awarded an amount equal to the FY 2015 contract amount.

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) indicated that it is evaluating the whole system. A stated goal of the change is the reduction of administrative costs in order to allocate more money toward services. KDADS intends to integrate and innovate behavioral health prevention with outcome-based programs. This change is being done to eliminate disparate efforts, reduce administrative costs, and better leverage available resources with outcomes. KDADS noted that allocating a specific dollar amount to certain entities, instead of considering it as a part of an overall system, is contrary to the purpose of examining the whole system to determine where duplications exist.

KDADS indicated it is theoretically possible that if the entities submitted a proposal in response to the recently issued Request For Proposal (RFP), an award equal to what was received by the entity in FY15 could be awarded for FY 2016.