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KanCare Advocacy Opportunity

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment is revamping its KanCare advisory committees and is inviting consumers to join a new Consumer and Specialized Issues work group or an existing Medical Care Advisory Committee. The groups will share ideas about how to improve KanCare and help resolve issues that may arise. If you or someone you know is interested in serving as a consumer or family representative on one of the work groups, please complete the [form](#) on the KanCare website. (A link is near the bottom of this page.) The completed forms are due February 15th.

The latest issue of the [KanCare Advisor](#) newsletter is available. Read more about the new advisory groups, the KanCare Ombudsman and other implementation issues.

KanCare Provider Networks

A [report](#) is available from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment regarding the provider networks the KanCare managed care organizations established as of January 7, 2013. Details about each managed care organization's dental network are below. If you have any stories, questions or concerns about the provider networks, please share them with us. info@oralhealthkansas.org.

- Amerigroup has contracted with 326 dental providers at

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**Weekly
Wednesday
Update
Survey**

Oral Health Kansas has been sharing regular updates through our Weekly Wednesday Updates. We hope you have found these to be valuable.

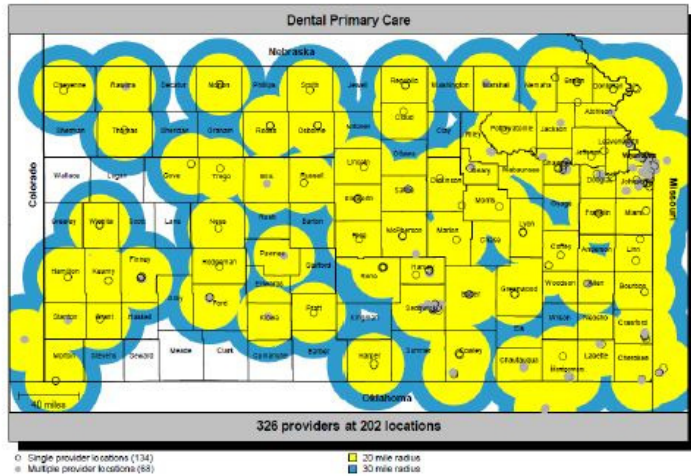
We would like to have your input as we plan our update topics for 2013.

Please take just a few moments to respond to a brief survey at www.surveymonkey.com

If you encounter any trouble with the survey, please let us know.

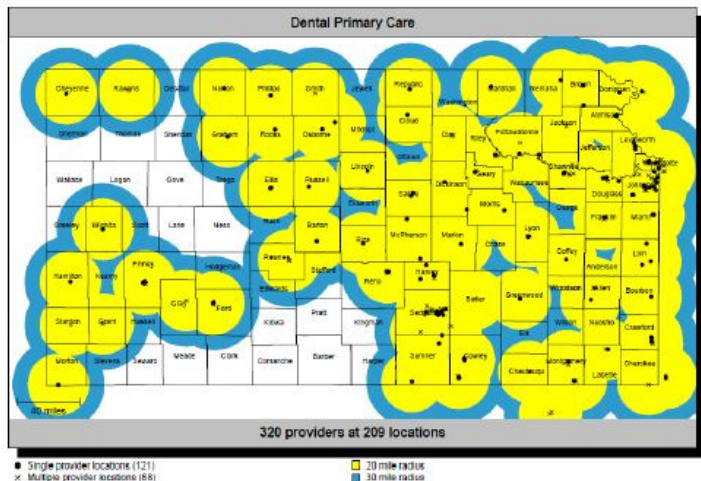
202 locations across the state. They report that 99.7% of the urban/semi-urban areas are covered, and 92.5% of the rural/frontier areas have 92.5% are covered. The Amerigroup dental provider map follows:

Amerigroup Kansas, Inc.



- The Sunflower Health Plan has contracted with 320 dental providers at 209 locations across the state. They report that 99.3% of the urban/semi-urban areas are covered, and 88.3% of the rural/frontier areas are covered. The Sunflower Health Plan dental provider map follows:

Sunflower Health Plan



- United HealthCare has contract with 349 dental providers in 228 locations. They report that 99.7% of the urban/semi-urban areas are covered, and 96.1% of the rural/frontier areas are covered. The United HealthCare dental provider map follows:

Dental Champions Corner

Now taking applications for Class 6!

Over the past eight years five Dental Champions Leadership Program classes have graduated. 89 Kansans have joined the diverse network of state-level Dental Champions with a progressive vision for oral health in Kansas.

To view the application and guidelines [CLICK HERE](#)

To view the application and apply [CLICK HERE](#)



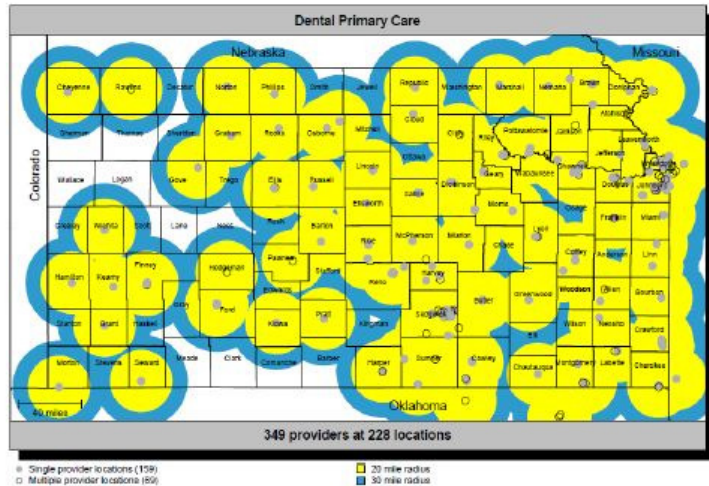
Did You Know???

There are many toothpaste flavors that are not the typically mint flavor.

Check them out [HERE](#)

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UnitedHealthcare



RDP Bill Introduced

On Tuesday the House Health and Human Services Committee introduced a new bill to create a Registered Dental Practitioner (RDP). The language of the bill was not available at this writing, but Oral Health Kansas will share it when it becomes available. A similar bill was in the House and Senate health committees in 2011 and 2012.

The RDP bill is championed by the Kansas Dental Project, which is led by Kansas Action for Children, Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved, and Kansas Health Consumer Coalition. The RDPs would be dental hygienists who receive an additional 18 months of training to provide certain dental services, such as fillings, extractions of baby teeth, and extractions of loose permanent teeth. The RDP would work under general or direct supervision of a dentist.

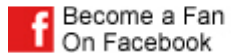
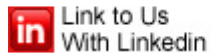
The Kansas Dental Project will host a Kansas Dental Project Advocacy Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, February 6th. To find out more about the events, call 785-232-9997.

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us in November to celebrate Oral Health Kansas' 10th anniversary at the:

2013 Oral Health Kansas Conference
Johnson County Community College
November 7-8, 2013

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