Healthcare Facility Construction Approval Process

Under strict guidelines provided by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), The Office of the State Fire Marshal cannot accept any local jurisdiction plan review or inspections, in lieu of our own, on facilities that fall under their jurisdiction. When project teams for the occupancy types below contact you about these projects, please let them know that they will also need to submit plans to their licensing agencies (KDADS or KDHE) and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Though it is preferred that local jurisdictions with construction oversight approve plans prior to the state submittal, larger projects will usually require simultaneous review. The facility types under CMS guidance include:

- Nursing Homes
- Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities
- Hospitals and Psychiatric Hospitals
- Ambulatory Care Facilities / Surgery Centers
- Hospice Facilities
- End Stage Renal Disease Facilities / Dialysis Centers
- Alcohol & Drug Treatment Facilities within Skilled Nursing or Hospital Facilities
- Medical Clinics where general anesthesia is utilized

If you have any questions, please contact our Fire Prevention Division at prevention@ks.gov or 785-296-3401 or Brian Love, supervisor of the plan review and construction inspection staff, at brian.love@ks.gov.