



## We CARE We VOTE

### Sample Questions for Candidates

#### General

- Why do you want to be elected/re-elected?
- What are the three issues that are the most important to you?

#### General Health Care in Kansas

- What is your vision for health care in Kansas and how will you pursue it? What is your view of the role hospitals and health systems play in Kansas?
- What is the single greatest health care challenge facing Kansas today and how do you plan to address it?
- What are the regulatory barriers to transforming health care in Kansas, and how do you plan to address those issues?

#### 340B

- Do you believe the savings from the Federal 340B program, that has allowed hospitals, and local health care providers to stretch scarce federal resources should go to pharmaceutical manufacturers or to the hospitals, federally qualified health centers and local pharmacies?

#### Workforce

- Kansas has a shortage of health care practitioners. As the population of Kansas continues to age, even more Kansans will seek health care services. What do you see as the state's role in ensuring an adequate and increasing supply of health care providers?
- Assault and battery of health care workers is a continued problem that has a great impact on the industry's ability to attract and retain professionals in the field. Do you support reform that would provide protections for those working on the frontlines in our Kansas hospitals?

#### Behavioral Health Care

- Due to a shortage of inpatient beds for voluntary and involuntary patients, behavioral health patients must seek care in hospital emergency departments. What recommendations would you offer to make Kansas' behavioral health system more effective and efficient (funding, accountability, access, providing insurance coverage, etc.)?

#### Reducing the Cost of Care

- In an industry with burdensome regulations, do you believe that we should reform timeconsuming processes that provide limited value to overall patient outcomes but increase the overall administrative costs, such as prior authorizations, or insurance demands on how access to medications are obtained?



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