Kansans’ Stories Highlight the Need for KanCare Expansion

Working Mother Can’t Afford Medical Care When She Is Sick

(Topeka, KS – November, 2013) – Kelly Brown is one of 169,000 Kansans who can’t afford health insurance. Unable to pay premiums or out-of-pocket costs – and not eligible for Medicaid – people like Kelly often have no choice but to go without health care. It doesn’t have to be like that. A video highlighting Kelly’s story, as well as other Kansans can be found online, visit www.kha-net.org.

Expansion in Kansas would build upon our KanCare program, which focuses on primary care coordination, improving health outcomes, managing health care costs and instituting patient accountability. Kansas hospitals support KanCare expansion because regular patient care improves lives.

The Kansas Hospital Association is a not-for-profit association of health care provider organizations and individuals that are committed to the health improvement of their communities. KHA membership includes 217 member facilities, of which 126 are full-service community hospitals. Founded in 1910, KHA maintains its vision of “an organization of hospitals working together to improve access, quality and the affordability of health care for all Kansans.”

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