



GOVERNOR LAURA KELLY

EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER NO. 47

By Governor Laura Kelly

Section 1. (a) The Kansas department for children and families is hereby renamed the Kansas department of human services. Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the department for children and families, or words of like effect, are referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas department of human services. Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the secretary for children and families, or words of like effect, are referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of human services.

(b) It is intended that the Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall have authority to administer all programs and services which are currently being administered by the Kansas department for children and families when this order becomes effective, including any programs, services and grants for which the Kansas department for children and families is serving as an operating agency or grants manager for another state agency or federal agency at the time this order becomes effective.

(c) On the effective date of this order, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the Kansas department for children and families has acquired in any real property in this state, and the Kansas department of human services shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this order, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the Kansas department for children and families or the secretary for children and families to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to such power or authority.

(d) The Kansas department of human services shall succeed to all property, property rights, and records which were used for or pertain to the performance of powers, duties, and functions transferred to it by this order from the department for children and families and the secretary for children and families. Any conflict as to the proper disposition of property, personnel, or records arising under this order shall be determined by the governor, whose decision shall be final.

(e) The secretary of human services may adopt rules and regulations for the government, regulation and operation of programs and services administered by the Kansas department of human services.

Sec. 2. (a) The Kansas department for aging and disability services created by K.S.A. 75-5902 *et seq.* and Executive Reorganization Order No. 41, is hereby abolished.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this order, all of the jurisdiction, powers, functions and duties of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary of the Kansas department for aging and disability services are hereby transferred to and conferred and imposed upon the Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by this order, the Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall be the successor in every way to the jurisdiction, powers, duties and functions of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary for aging and disability services in which the same were vested prior to the effective date of this order. Every act performed in the exercise of such jurisdiction, powers, duties and functions by or under the authority of the Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the secretary for aging and disability services, respectively, in which such jurisdiction, powers, duties and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this order.

(d) Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the department for aging and disability services, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas department of human services.

(e) Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the secretary for aging and disability services, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of human services.

(f) All rules and regulations, policies and procedures of the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the secretary for aging and disability services which relate to the functions transferred by this order and which are in effect on the effective date of this order shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be rules and regulations, policies and procedures

of the Kansas department of human services or the secretary of human services until revised, amended, revoked, or nullified pursuant to law.

(g) All orders and directives of the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the secretary for aging and disability services in existence on the effective date of this order shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be orders and directives of the Kansas department of human services or the secretary of human services until revised, amended or nullified pursuant to law.

(h) On the effective date of this order, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the Kansas department for aging and disability services has acquired in any real property in this state, and the Kansas department of human services shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this order, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the secretary for aging and disability services to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to such power or authority.

(i) The Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall be continuations of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary for aging and disability services.

(j) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which the office of the secretary of aging and disability services is organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(k) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which aging, disability and behavioral health programs are organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(l) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which programs provided by the institutions, as defined by subsection (b) of K.S.A. 76-12a01, and amendments thereto, are organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(m) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which survey, certification and credentialing programs are organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(n) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which financial and information services programs are organized within the Kansas department of human services.

Sec. 3. (a) The secretary of human services shall appoint such officers and employees as may be needed to carry out the powers and duties which the secretary assigns to the office of the secretary, aging, disability and behavioral health functions, institution functions, survey, certification and credentialing functions, and office of the financial and information services commission of the Kansas department of human services.

(b) All officers and employees in the Kansas department for aging and disability services who, immediately prior to the effective date of this order, are engaged in the exercise and performance of the powers, duties, and functions transferred by this order, are hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services unless the secretary of human services determines that some officers or employees are not performing necessary services. All classified employees so transferred shall retain their status as classified employees. Thereafter, the secretary of human services may convert vacant classified positions to positions in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act.

(c) Officers and employees in the Kansas department for aging and disability services transferred by this order shall retain all retirement benefits and leave balances and rights which

had accrued or vested prior to the date of transfer. The service of each such employee so transferred shall be deemed to have been continuous. Any subsequent transfers, layoffs, or abolition of classified service positions under the Kansas civil service act shall be made in accordance with the civil service laws and any rules and regulations adopted thereunder.

(d) The Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Kansas and the Kansas Organization of State Employees that is in existence on the effective date of this order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or nullified pursuant to the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

Sec. 4. (a) The aging and disability community services and programs commission and the behavioral health services commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services is hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof. The aging and disability community and services programs commission and the behavioral health services commission transferred to the Kansas department of human services by this order shall be administered by the secretary of human services.

(b) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which programs and services provided by the aging and disability community services and programs commission and the behavioral health services commission shall be organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(c) The programs transferred from the aging and disability community services and programs commission and the behavioral services commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services are:

- (1) Mental health and substance abuse;

(2) serious emotionally disturbed, intellectual and developmental disability, physical disability, brain injury, autism, technology assistance, and frail and elderly Medicaid waivers and programs;

(3) licensure and regulation of community mental health centers, as defined by K.S.A. 39-2002, and amendments thereto;

(4) regulation of community developmental disability organizations, as defined by K.S.A. 39-1801 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;

(5) licensure of private psychiatric hospitals, as defined by K.S.A. 39-2001 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;

(6) licensure of psychiatric residential treatment facilities under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 65-503, and amendments thereto, and subsection (k) of K.A.R. 28-4-1200 on the effective date of this order, and subsection (g)(3) of K.S.A. 72-1173, and amendments thereto;

(7) licensure and regulation of facilities and providers of residential and day supports services, as defined by K.S.A. 39-2001 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;

(8) licensure and regulation of residential care facilities, as defined by K.S.A. 39-2001 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;

(9) licensure and regulation of crisis intervention centers, as defined by K.S.A. 39-2001 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;

(10) licensure and regulation of providers of addiction and prevention services, as defined by K.S.A. 75-5375, *et. seq.*; and;

(11) licensure and regulation of providers of services and administration of grants for the older Americans act (OAA), senior care act (SCA), and Medicare programs including the senior health insurance counseling for Kansas (SHICK), the senior Medicare patrol (SMP), and

the Medicare improvements for patients and providers act (MIPPA), the client assessment, referral and evaluation program (CARE), the respite for caregivers program, and the program of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE);

(12) any other programs and related grants administered by the aging and disability community services and programs commission and the behavioral health services commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services prior to the effective date of this order.

(d) Except as otherwise provided by this order, all powers, duties, and functions of the secretary for aging and disability services pertaining to the aging and disability community services and programs commission and the behavioral health services commission transferred by this order, including that agency's designation as the Medicaid single state authority for substance abuse and for mental health, are hereby transferred to and imposed upon the secretary of human services.

(e) The Kansas department of human services shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department for aging and disability services pertaining to the aging and disability community services and supports commission and the behavioral health services commission transferred by this order. Every act performed in the exercise of such transferred powers, duties, and functions by or under the authority of the Kansas department of human services shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services in which such powers, duties, and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this order.

Sec. 5. (a) The state hospitals commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services is hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof. All institutions, as defined by subsection (b) of K.S.A. 76-12a01, and amendments thereto,



and the programs operated by such institutions are hereby transferred from the Kansas department for aging and disability services to the Kansas department of human services. All such institutions shall be administered by the secretary of human services.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this order, all powers, duties, and functions of the secretary for aging and disability services pertaining to the programs and operation of the institutions, as defined by subsection (b) of K.S.A. 76-12a01, and amendments thereto, are hereby transferred to and imposed upon the secretary of human services.

(c) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which programs and services provided by the state hospitals commission and institutions shall be organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(d) The Kansas department of human services shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department for aging and disability services pertaining to the programs and operation of the state hospital commission and the institutions that are transferred by this order. Every act performed in the exercise of such transferred powers, duties, and functions by or under the authority of the Kansas department of human services shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services in which such powers, duties, and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this order.

Sec. 6. (a) The survey, certification and credentialing commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services is hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof. The survey, certification and credentialing commission transferred to the Kansas department of human services by this order shall be administered by the secretary of human services.

(b) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which programs and services provided by the survey, certification and credentialing commission shall be organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(c) The programs to be transferred by this commission are the Kansas act on credentialing, K.S.A. 65-5001 through 65-5011, and amendments thereto, including the following programs:

(1) Licensure of adult care home administrators, as defined by subsection (c) of K.S.A. 65-3501, and amendments thereto;

(2) licensure of dietitians, as defined by subsection (f) of K.S.A. 65-5902, and amendments thereto;

(3) certification of residential care facility operators, as defined by subsection (a)(21) of K.S.A. 39-923, and amendments thereto;

(4) certification of activity directors, as defined by subsection (a) of K.A.R. 26-39-100 on the effective date of this order;

(5) certification of social service designees, as defined by subsection (sss) of K.A.R. 26-39-100 on the effective date of this order;

(6) certification of nurse aides, as defined by subsection (qq) of K.A.R. 26-39-100 on the effective date of this order;

(7) certification of medication aides as defined by subsection (nn) of K.A.R. 26-39-100 on the effective date of this order;

(8) certification of home health aides as defined by subsection (e) of K.S.A. 65-5101, and amendments thereto; and

(9) maintenance of the Kansas nurse aide registry under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 39-936, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 39-1411, and amendments thereto;

(10) survey and licensure of adult care home facilities under the adult care home licensure act under K.S.A. 39-923 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto.

(d) The criminal history record check program, as authorized by individual credentialing statutes or rules and regulations, K.S.A. 39-969, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 39-970, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 39-2009, and amendments thereto, and subsection (b) of K.S.A. 22-4707, and amendments thereto, is hereby transferred from the Kansas department of aging and disability services to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof.

(e) The licensure of adult care home administrators, the licensure of dieticians, the certification of residential care facility operators, the certification of activity directors, the certification of social service designees, the certification of nurse aides, the certification of medication aides, the certification of home health aides, the board of adult care home administrators, the maintenance of the Kansas nurse aide registry, the survey and licensure of adult care home facilities, and the criminal history record check program shall be administered by the secretary of human services. Nothing in this order shall change or diminish the authority of the board of adult care home administrators established by K.S.A. 65-3506, and amendments thereto.

(f) Except as otherwise provided by this order, all powers, duties, and functions of the secretary of aging and disability services pertaining to the licensure of adult care home administrators, the licensure of dieticians, the certification of residential care facility operators, the certification of activity directors, the certification of social service designees, the certification of nurse aides, the certification of medication aides, the certification of home health aides, the board of adult care home administrators, the Kansas nurse aide registry, the survey and licensure of adult care home facilities, and the criminal record check program transferred by this order are hereby transferred to and imposed upon the secretary of human services.

(g) The Kansas department of human services shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department of aging and disability services pertaining to those portions of the survey, certification and credentialing program transferred by this order. Every act performed in the exercise of such transferred powers, duties, and functions by or under the authority of the Kansas department of human services shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas department of aging and disability services in which such powers, duties, and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this order.

Sec. 7. (a) The financial and information services commission of the Kansas department for aging and disability services, including agency-specific information technology and financial oversight programs and services, is hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof. The financial and information services commission transferred to the Kansas department of human services by this order shall be administered by the secretary of human services.

(b) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which programs and services provided by the financial and information services commission shall be organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by this order, all powers, duties, and functions of the secretary of aging and disability services pertaining to the programs and services administered by the financial and information services commission transferred by this order are hereby transferred to and imposed upon the secretary of human services.

(d) The Kansas department human services shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department of aging and disability services pertaining to those portions of the financial and information services programs transferred by this order.

Every act performed in the exercise of such transferred powers, duties, and functions by or under the authority of the Kansas department of human services shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas department of aging and disability services in which such powers, duties, and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this order.

Sec. 8. (a) The powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary for aging and disability services pertaining to any and all receiverships of adult care homes filed pursuant to K.S.A. 39-954 *et seq.*, amendments thereto, is hereby transferred to the Kansas department of human services and shall be a part thereof. The powers, duties, and functions of the receiver transferred to the Kansas department of human services by this order shall be administered by the secretary of human services.

(b) The secretary of human services shall determine the manner in which the receivership program administered under K.S.A. 39-954 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, shall be organized within the Kansas department of human services.

(c) The Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall be the successor in every way to the receiver's powers, duties, and functions of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary for aging and disability services pertaining to any and all receiverships of adult care homes filed pursuant to K.S.A. 39-954 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, pending on the effective date of this order.

(d) Whenever the Kansas department for aging and disability services, the secretary for aging and disability services, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract, order or other document and such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions of the receiver under K.S.A. 39-954 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, transferred to the Kansas department of human services from the Kansas department for aging and disability services

by this order, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas department of human services or the secretary of human services.

(e) All rules and regulations, orders, and directives of the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the secretary for aging and disability services, or words of like effect, which relate to the powers, duties and functions of the receiver under K.S.A. 39-954 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, on the effective date of this order, shall be effective and shall be deemed to be rules and regulations, orders, and directives of the Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services until revised, amended, revoked, or nullified pursuant to law.

Sec. 9. (a) The balances of all funds or accounts thereof appropriated or reappropriated for the Kansas department for aging and disability services relating to the powers, duties, and functions transferred by this order are hereby transferred within the state treasury to the Kansas department of human services and shall be used only for the purpose for which the appropriation was originally made.

(b) Liability for all accrued compensation or salaries of officers and employees who are transferred to the Kansas department of human services under this order shall be assumed and paid by the Kansas department of human services.

(c) Subject to the acts of the legislature, all fees, grant funds, and loan repayment funds of the Kansas department for aging and disability services dedicated to programs transferred by this order shall be transferred to the Kansas department of human services.

Sec. 10. (a) The Kansas department of human services shall succeed to all property, property rights, and records which were used for or pertain to the performance of powers, duties, and functions transferred to it by this order from the department of aging and disability services and the secretary of aging and disability services. Any conflict as to the proper disposition of

property, personnel, or records arising under this order shall be determined by the governor, whose decision shall be final.

(b) When any conflict arises as to any power, duty, or function transferred from the department of aging and disability services and the secretary of aging and disability services resulting from any transfer made by or under the authority of this order, such conflict shall be resolved by the governor, whose decision shall be final.

Sec. 11. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the department of social and rehabilitation services, which was the predecessor to the department for children and families under Executive Reorganization No. 41, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, internal policy or procedure, order or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas department of human services. Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, or words of like effect, are referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, internal policy or procedure, order or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of human services.

(b) On the effective date of this order, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the department of social and rehabilitation services has acquired in any real property in this state, and the Kansas department of human services shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this order, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the

department of social and rehabilitation services to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to such power or authority.

Sec. 12. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the department aging, which was the predecessor to the department for aging and disability services under Executive Reorganization No. 41, or words of like effect, are referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, internal policy or procedure, order or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas department of human services. Except as otherwise provided by this order, whenever the secretary of aging, or words of like effect, are referred to or designated by any statute, rule and regulation, contract, internal policy or procedure, order or any other document regardless of whether such reference is in regard to any of the powers, duties, or functions transferred pursuant to this order or not, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of human services.

(b) On the effective date of this order, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the department on aging has acquired in any real property in this state, and the Kansas department of human services shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this order, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the department on aging to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the Kansas department of human services shall succeed to such power or authority.

Sec. 13. The Kansas department of human services and the secretary of human services shall have authority to administer all programs and services previously administered by the Kansas department for social and rehabilitation services, the Kansas department on aging, and the Kansas



department for aging and disability services regardless of whether such programs and services are specifically mentioned in this order as being transferred to the Kansas department of human services. For purposes of this order, all programs and services intended to be transferred to the Kansas department of human services is intended to include all programs and services for which the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the secretary for aging and disability services provides administration services, serves as the operating agency or serves as the manager of grant funds pursuant to an existing delegation of authority or memorandum of understanding between a predecessor of the Kansas department of human services and another state or federal agency on the effective date of this order.

Sec. 14. The secretary of human services may adopt rules and regulations for the government, regulation and operation of and all programs and services previously administered by the Kansas department for children and families, the Kansas department of social and rehabilitation services, the Kansas department for aging and disability services and the Kansas department on aging.

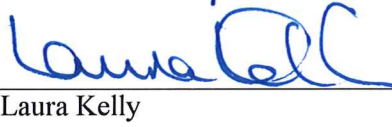
Sec. 15. (a) No suit, action, or other proceeding, judicial or administrative, lawfully commenced, or which could have been commenced, by or against any state agency or program mentioned in this order, or by or against any officer of the state in such officer's official duties, shall abate by reason of the governmental reorganization effected under the provisions of this order. The court may allow any such suit, action, or other proceeding to be maintained by or against the successor of any such state agency or any officer affected.

(b) No criminal action commenced, or which could have been commenced, by the state shall abate by the taking effect of this order.

Sec. 16. Except as otherwise provided by this order, all of the provisions of this order shall take effect and have the force of general law on July 1, 2021, unless disapproved by either house of the Kansas legislature as provided by subsection (c) of section 6 of article 1 of the constitution of Kansas, and unless so disapproved, this order is to be published as and with the acts of the legislature and the statutes of this state.

DONE AT the Capitol in Topeka  
Under the Great Seal of the State  
of Kansas this 25 day  
of January 2021.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

  
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