

# County Health Rankings: Education, Health and COVID-19

September 22, 2020

## AGENDA

- 10:00 a.m.**      **Welcome**  
*Robert F. St. Peter, M.D.*, President and CEO, Kansas Health Institute  
*Jean Clifford*, KHI Board of Directors and Kansas State Board of Education (District 5)
- 10:10 a.m.**      **Opening Remarks**  
*Governor Laura Kelly*, State of Kansas
- 10:20 a.m.**      **Panel Discussion: Setting the Stage**  
*Lieutenant Governor Lynn Rogers*, State of Kansas  
*Randy Watson, Ed.D., M.S.*, Kansas Commissioner of Education, Kansas State Department of Education  
*Tiffany Anderson, Ed.D.*, Superintendent, Topeka Public Schools
- 10:55 a.m.**      **2020 Kansas Health Rankings: What's new?**  
*Charles Hunt, M.P.H.*, Senior Analyst, Kansas Health Institute
- 11:15 a.m.**      **Break**
- 11:25 a.m.**      **Building Community Transformation & Resilience: Insights from a RWJF Culture of Health Prize Winner**  
*Teal VanLanen*, Director of Improvement & Community Engagement, Algoma School District, Wisconsin
- 11:45 a.m.**      **Panel Discussion: What is happening in Kansas?**  
*Melissa Rooker*, Executive Director, Children's Cabinet  
*Austin Gillard, F.A.C.H.E.*, CEO, Clay County Medical Center  
*Todd Carter, Ed.D.*, District Administrator, USD 480, Liberal  
Moderator: *Chad Austin*, President and CEO, Kansas Hospital Association
- 12:15 p.m.**      **Closing Remarks**  
*Lee A. Norman, M.D.*, Secretary, Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- 12:30 p.m.**      **Adjourn**



# SPEAKERS



**Governor Laura Kelly**

Laura Kelly was sworn in as the 48th governor of the State of Kansas on January 14, 2019. She grew up in a career military family where she learned the importance of service, integrity and accountability. Kelly has made it her life's work to fight for children and families on the job, in her community, and as a four-term state senator. Read more [here](#).

## PANEL: SETTING THE STAGE



**Lt. Governor Lynn Rogers**

Lynn Rogers was sworn in as Lieutenant Governor of Kansas on January 14, 2019. Lieutenant Governor Rogers is a businessman, former State Senator, and former Wichita Board of Education president, who has been fighting for Kansas families for decades.

Lynn spent over thirty years traveling Kansas as an agriculture banker assisting farmers and ranchers with financial planning and investment. Read more [here](#).



**Randy Watson**

Randy Watson, Ed.D., M.S., is known for his visionary leadership and deep roots in public education. As a former history teacher, school principal and superintendent, Dr. Watson has dedicated more than 35 years of his life working in public education settings across the state and ensuring every child receives a world class education. That dedication continues in his current role as Kansas Commissioner of Education. Read more [here](#).



**Tiffany Anderson**

Dr. Tiffany Anderson, Ed.D., a long-time Kansas resident and the daughter of two pastors, has been a public school educator for over 26 years, with the majority of that time as superintendent. She has improved achievement and closed achievement gaps for students of poverty in rural, urban and suburban public school districts. Read more [here](#).



**Charlie Hunt**

D. Charles Hunt, M.P.H., Senior Analyst, works primarily on population health strategies, with a focus on improving public health systems through research, development and dissemination of tools and best practices. He also is Deputy Director of the Center for Sharing Public Health Services, a national initiative managed by KHI and funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Read more [here](#).



**Teal Van Lanen**

Teal Van Lanen received her undergraduate degree in education from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, and earned a masters in Educational Leadership with a focus on Social Justice and Equity. Teal is the Director of Improvement and Community Engagement for the Algoma School District, WI, and serves as an Activation Team Leader for Live Algoma. Read more [here](#).

## PANEL: WHAT IS HAPPENING IN KANSAS



**Melissa Rooker**

Melissa Rooker was named Executive Director of the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund in February of 2019. Before joining the Cabinet, Melissa served three terms in the Kansas House of Representatives, representing House District 25 between 2012 and 2018. Read more [here](#).



**Austin Gillard**

Austin Gillard, F.A.C.H.E., is the CEO of Clay County Medical Center (CCMC). Austin started his health care career as a physician recruiter placing physicians in rural Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. He also worked in the business development side of health care. He was the CEO for Genoa Medical Facilities before he joined CCMC. Read more [here](#).



**Todd Carter**

Dr. Todd Carter joined USD 480 as district administrator in 2019. His duties include institutional research and assessment, Title 1 programs, and secondary education. Previously he served as a faculty member, dean, and vice president of academic affairs at Seward County Community College. Read more [here](#).



**Chad Austin - Moderator**

Chad has been involved in health care and association management for nearly twenty years. Chad has most recently been the primary government relations representative overseeing all state and federal advocacy initiatives for Kansas hospitals. On Sept. 2, 2020, Chad became the President and CEO of the Kansas Hospital Association. Read more [here](#).



**Lee A. Norman**

Lee A. Norman, MD, is the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), appointed by Governor Laura Kelly. KDHE has three divisions, including Health, Environment and Healthcare Finance, which includes the Medicaid program (KanCare) and the State Employee Health Plan. Read more [here](#).



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