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Governor Brownback, KDADS Honor State Employees for Outstanding Service

TOPEKA – Five employees from the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) were honored for exemplary service at a ceremony in the state Capitol Wednesday. They are among 12 agency and state hospital employees being recognized for their outstanding performance.

This was the 4th such Employee of the Quarter ceremony, part of the State Employee Award and Recognition Program created by the state Legislature that showcases the good work being done by state employees. Winners are nominated by their co-workers and supervisors at state agencies, the hospitals and other state institutions.

“I am extremely proud of the high-quality work performed by our central office staff and hospital employees for the people of Kansas,” Secretary Sullivan said. “This is one of the ways we let them know they are valued and appreciated.”

“The caliber of service delivered by our employees to those the agency assists—the elderly and the vulnerable—is something Kansans should recognize and acknowledge,” Secretary Sullivan.

All employees recognized for the quarter receive a $350 bonus, and Employees of the Quarter receive an additional $400.

KDADS and state hospital employees who were honored this quarter are:

KDADS – Central Office
Kathy Keck – Distinguished Accomplishment – Employee of the Quarter
Jeff Burkhart – Innovation
Deby Zimmerman – Meritorious Service

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Osawatomie State Hospital
Ashley Byram – Innovation – Employee of the Quarter
Kathy Gayetsky – Distinguished Accomplishment
Scott Cook – Meritorious Service

Larned State Hospital
Linda Haines – Innovation - Employee of the Quarter
Cathy Cooper – Distinguished Accomplishment
Sandy Cullisen – Meritorious Service

Parsons State Hospital
Joe Kinder – Meritorious Service – Employee of the Quarter

Kansas Neurological Institute
Chari Miller – Distinguished Accomplishment – Employee of the Quarter
Anita White – Meritorious Service

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services mission is to foster an environment that promotes security, dignity and independence for all Kansans.