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**COMCARE CRISIS SERVICES NEW LOCATION**

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) –Beginning July 24, at 8 a.m., COMCARE Crisis Services will move to the new Community Crisis Center (CCC), located at 635 N. Main. The CCC—a joint initiative by Sedgwick, Butler and Sumner counties—will provide a single location, and a comprehensive system of care for integrated assessment, triage, stabilization, engagement, and referral to ongoing supports and services for those in the region experiencing a behavioral health crisis.

The CCC expands existing crisis services to promote rapid stabilizations, and to avoid emergency department admissions, local and state hospitalizations, and jail bookings. This project will improve coordination among agencies and improve overall care and hospital diversion outcomes, while also reducing costs through community treatment and the elimination of duplicate services. In addition, the new location at 635 N. Main is centrally located and requires limited renovation to open the Community Crisis Center quickly.

“The Community Crisis Center will allow mental health and addiction staff members to resolve a crisis as a team rather than requiring individuals in crisis go from one treatment facility to another,” said Marilyn Cook, director of COMCARE of Sedgwick

County. “Having this center will better ensure individuals and their family members get the support they need to help prevent problems from escalating further.”

The Community Crisis Center will also house sobering beds and detoxification services through a contract with the Substance Abuse Center of Kansas. These services are now being offered at 1720 E. Morris and will move into the new location when renovations to the building are completed.

COMCARE Administrative Services, currently located at 635 N. Main, will move to 934 N. Water, effective July 31.

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