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Testimony in Support of House Bill 2489
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Chairwoman Estes and Members of the House Committee on Education:

DCCCA has served Kansans for more than fifty years, coordinating behavioral health prevention and treatment services; family preservation services; recruitment, training and support of foster homes; and traffic safety education and resources.

DCCCA has operated the Kansas Naloxone Program since August 2020. We have provided more than 130,000 kits to individuals and organizations in Kansas. We have offered many opportunities for naloxone distribution including direct shipping to homes and organizations, implementation of naloxone vending machines, and implementation of ONEboxes or Naloxboxes which provide a single dose of naloxone that can be placed near an AED in a public location.

In the last year, we began collaboration with the Attorney General's Office to distribute naloxone kits made available through the opioid settlement, including the recent initiative focused on distributing naloxone to universities across Kansas. We are committed to supporting streamlined distribution of naloxone through multiple partnerships.

Since the inception of the naloxone program, DCCCA has provided more than 3,400 naloxone kits to 205 school districts and 39 private schools in our state. Along with naloxone, we have provided training to school districts on opioid overdose prevention and naloxone administration, including the dangers associated with fentanyl. DCCCA also offers evidence-based educational programming to young people on opioid overdose prevention.

We support this bill's purpose and focus because we are committed to doing whatever we can to help combat the opioid crisis in Kansas.

Thank you for your consideration.

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