

FY2026 KS Behavioral Health Center of Excellence											
	Medical			Clinical			Nursing			Research & Eval	
As of 2022, the state had only 17 psychiatrists per 10,000 residents, below the national average of 19.9. The need is especially dire in child psychiatry, where Kansas requires approximately 400 specialists but has only 69, most of whom are concentrated in Kansas City. The remainder of the state, including south-central Kansas, has only 12, creating significant gaps in care.	KU-Med Wichita Child/Adolescent Psychiatry: Program to increase number of psychiatric fellows; will take five years to reach full capacity of program of three graduates per year.	\$2,014,640.00	Expertise in forensic and psychological assessment is a major need, made even more pressing by the opening of the new regional mental health hospital where the state already experiences significant wait times for individuals waiting competency to stand trial evaluations. Funding supports faculty and student applied learning opportunities.	WSU Psychology Dept Includes forensic psychology program and paid internships and practicums	\$842,600.00	One challenge identified by community and technical colleges has been the low salary rates for nursing faculty.	Retention bonus funding paid to faculty in two-year nursing degree programs. Total bonus funding up to \$5,000 per full-time faculty member plus \$550 for employer taxes. Funding is prorated for part-time faculty. *As of 2/5/2025, staff retention funding paid to 19 community and technical colleges for 191 nursing faculty members totaling \$929,385.50.	\$2,400,000.00	The HOPE Institute will be an interdisciplinary initiative focused on advancing behavioral health workforce development, interdisciplinary research and program evaluation, prevention and intervention, and multi-sector and community engagement.	WSU Hope Research Institute	\$495,000.00
	KU-Med Wichita Addiction Medicine Fellowship: Program will train/graduate 1-2 fellows per year, for a 1-year training program.	\$277,768.00	Physician Associates (PAs) can play an integral part in the health care team. Funding would support the ongoing annual cost of residency positions as well as the faculty and staff required for supervision and instruction.	WSU PA Program	\$288,600.00		WSU Nursing Program To provide specialized BH training to nursing students	\$292,600.00			
	KU-Med Wichita Faculty Retention (required to maintain programs)		Clinical Mental Health and Addiction counselors deliver therapy intervention services. Funding supports student supervision and applied learning opportunities.	WSU Clinical MH Counselor and Addiction Counselor Training855	\$292,600.00						
	KS Health Sciences U Expansion of Psychiatry Residency Program; Will train 3 residents per year; after 4 years program will be at full capacity of 12 residents	\$907,908.01	Social Work plays a major role in the provision of clinical and case management behavioral health services. Funding would support the ongoing annual cost of community applied learning as well as the faculty and staff required for supervision and instruction.	WSU Social Work	\$288,600.00						
	KS Health Sciences U Capital Improvement to expand resident workspace and clinic; *One-time expense	\$495,646.00	There is a workforce shortage in addictions and trauma treatment specialties. Growing the number of these professionals helps us to address this critical shortage in human resources.	Friends University Expansion of Master of Science Family Therapy program; includes student stipends, one student success specialist position, and funding to develop Community Clinic Training Certificate	\$855,000.00						
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Total		\$3,695,962.01			\$2,779,900.00			\$2,692,600.00			\$495,000.00 \$9,663,462.01