

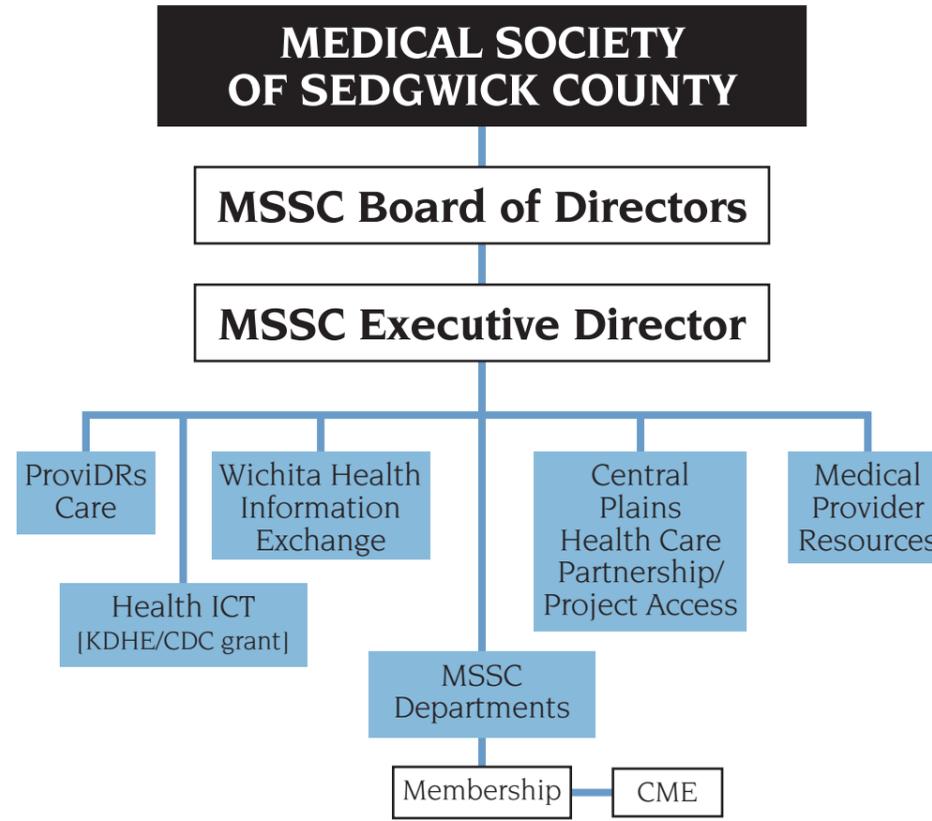
WHAT WE DO

The Medical Society of Sedgwick County counts over 1,200 physicians as members — more than 90% of doctors practicing in Sedgwick County. Founded in 1903, MSSSC is considered one of the most active county medical societies in the country.

MSSSC physicians are engaged in programs and initiatives that address issues affecting the health of people living in Wichita and Sedgwick County:

WHO WE ARE

- **Project Access** – coordinates health care access for the uninsured.
- **Central Plains Health Care Partnership** – administers non-profit programs including Project Access.
- **ProviDRs Care** – manages the only physician-owned Preferred Provider Organization in Kansas (formerly known as WPPA, Inc.).
- **Medical Provider Resources** – operates centralized physician and allied health staff credentialing verification services and delivers other support services.
- **Wichita Health Information Exchange** – leads the development of an electronic exchange of clinical data at the point of care in this medical trade region.
- **Health ICT** – implements a federal grant on behalf of KDHE to improve the rate of obesity, diabetes, stroke and heart disease in Sedgwick County.
- **Kansas Sports Concussion Partnership** – works to deliver accurate information about sports-related concussions for physicians, coaches and the public.
- **Wichita Quality Health Collaborative** – seeks to improve the quality of in-patient and out-patient care in Sedgwick County in a coordinated manner.
- **Maternal Infant Health Coalition** – works to improve maternal and infant health outcomes in Sedgwick County.
- **Transportable Physician Orders for Patient Preferences** – translates treatment preferences of chronic or terminally ill patients into medical orders.
- **Sedgwick County EMS System** – oversees medical protocols and quality.
- **Medical Careers Loan Fund**
- **Legislative monitoring**



Other MSSC Activities

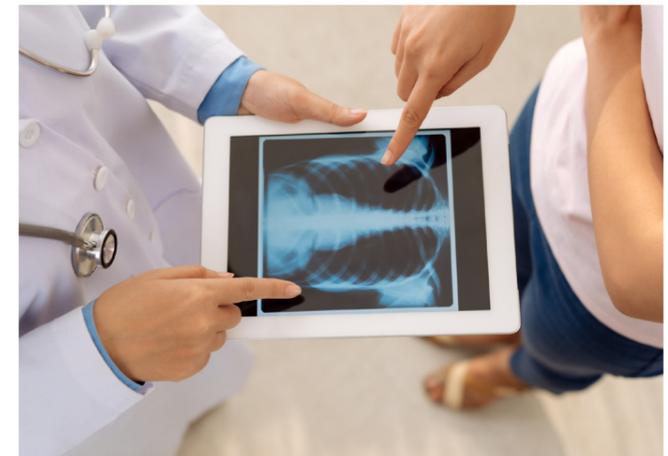
- EMSS Medical Protocols
- Kansas Sports Concussion Partnership
- Maternal Infant Health Coalition
- Safe Sleep Physician Task Force & Baby Talk
- TPOPP-Wichita
- Wichita Quality Health Coalition
- Surgical Safety / Time-Out Committee
- MSSC Annual Roster
- MSSC News
- Membership Meetings
- Patient Referrals
- MSSC Website
- MSSC Alliance
- KMS & AMA programs

Committees & Commissions

- EMS Physicians Advisory Committee
- EMS Trauma Subcommittee
- Judicial & Business Commission
- Legislative Committee
- Medical Careers Loan Fund Committee
- Membership & Ethics Committee
- Professional Investigation Committee

MSSSC MEDICAL SOCIETY of SEDGWICK COUNTY

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our patients,  
our community,  
our profession.



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has served as a clinical assistant professor of family medicine for the KUSM-W and the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences. Dr. Knight is vice chairman of the board of trustees for Friends University. He and his wife, Ginna, have six children. They like to travel with their youngest, Acacia, 8, especially anywhere with a beach, and he enjoys playing tennis and golf.

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**Central Plains Health Care Partnership** MSSC established this nonprofit organization in 1999 to oversee the operations of Project Access and other not-for-profit activities.

**Continuing Medical Education** MSSC has earned the capability to deliver CME credit for occasional MSSC events and programs.

**Disability and Long-Term Care Insurance** MSSC offers members discounted disability insurance and long-term care insurance policies.

**Malpractice Insurance Connection** Membership in Kansas Medical Society (KMS) and MSSC enables physicians to obtain liability coverage from the Kansas Medical Mutual Insurance Company (KaMMCO), KMS's physician-owned malpractice insurance company.

**Medical Careers Loan Fund** The loan fund, created in 1960, provides medical students with financial assistance in obtaining their medical education.

**Medical Provider Resources** The goal of this MSSC-operated entity (formerly the Kansas Physician Information Verification Program) is to deliver "best practice" services that help physicians and hospitals efficiently respond to the growing demand for credentialing information and other practice management requirements. MPR verifies the credentials of physicians and allied health practitioners seeking membership and/or privileges at participating hospitals or medical facilities at the time of initial application, reappointment or re-credentialing. Providers complete only one standard application, resulting in a reduction of paperwork. Other services available include provider enrollment with insurance plans and Medicare/Medicaid, Kansas licensure renewal, DEA registration or renewal, and recruitment credentialing.

**Medical Student Emergency Loan Fund** The fund was created in 1992, with the assistance of the MSSC Alliance, to provide financial assistance to medical students in need of a short-term, emergency loan. Interest-free loans up to \$500 are made for a period of 90 days.

**MSSC Legislative Committee** This committee works closely with MSSC's executive director and KMS staff to continuously monitor legislative issues related to the practice of medicine in Kansas. The committee regularly communicates its positions and concerns to the Sedgwick County Legislative Delegation.

**MSSC Meetings** Held four times a year, membership meetings provide networking opportunities and informative presentations.

**MSSC Membership Roster** Physician members are listed in the annual membership roster alphabetically, by their ABMS-recognized specialty and by practice group. The MSSC Roster is distributed each year to MSSC members, Kansas hospitals and most KMS members and sold to pharmacists, labs, long-term care facilities, etc.

**MSSC NEWS** The Medical Society utilizes its monthly MSSC News to distribute information of interest and importance to Sedgwick County physicians – via mail or email.

**MSSC Website** The MSSC's website — [www.mssconline.org](http://www.mssconline.org) — includes a Physician Finder option, the latest news, a calendar, links to MSSC's affiliates and information about community-oriented initiatives MSSC supports.

**Patient Referral Service** In response to public requests for referrals, physician names are provided on a rotating basis by specialty.

**Pharmacy Information Reporting Program** Organized in 1992, this program facilitates information between pharmacists and physicians to help prevent attempts to fraudulently acquire controlled drugs.

**Project Access** This nationally-recognized program was initiated by MSSC in 1999 and developed through a community coalition to address the needs of low-income, uninsured residents of Sedgwick County. More than half of all MSSC members participate in this physician-led program that efficiently coordinates donated medical care and services provided by physicians, area hospitals, pharmacies and other providers. Community partners include United Way of the Plains, Via Christi Health, Wesley Medical Center, KU School of Medicine-Wichita Residency Clinics, Kansas Department for Children and Families, Wichita City Council, Sedgwick County Commission, pharmacists, dentists, ancillary health care providers and community care clinics.

**ProviDRs Care** The only physician-owned PPO in Kansas (formerly WPPA, Inc.) is a managed health care provider network. Providers and hospitals throughout Kansas and adjoining states offer services through ProviDRs Care Network to self-funded groups, fully insured businesses, insurance companies and third-party administrators.

**Wichita Health Information Exchange** Established by the MSSC in 2009 and launched in 2012, the WHIE is a collaborative electronic exchange of health data that mirrors where paper currently travels while ensuring privacy and security of patient information. Along with the Kansas Medical Society and the Kansas Hospital Association, the WHIE is a founding member of Kansas Health Information Network (KHIN), which is electronically uniting the state's providers and medical communities to improve patient care coordination and quality.