



Kansas Health Foundation

FuseKS 2026 Agenda

At FuseKS, we aim to collaboratively develop a Blueprint for Upward Mobility in Kansas that sparks systems change, strengthens collaboration, and increases the visibility of organizations advancing this work across the state.

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MONDAY, April 20

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. FuseKS Evening Reception & Data Interaction

Join fellow changemakers advancing Upward Mobility in Kansas for hors d'oeuvres, conversation, and connection. The Kansas Health Institute will exhibit data posters highlighting new and emerging Upward Mobility indicators across the state. This is an opportunity to explore the data together and begin reflecting on how it can inform future systems change.

TUESDAY, April 21

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Event Check-In & Breakfast Buffet

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Welcome & Setting the Frame

We'll begin the day with an orientation to FuseKS—what it is, what it's not, and what success looks like. We will get grounded in our shared purpose, barriers to upward mobility in Kansas, and the opportunity to catalyze meaningful collaboration.

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Mobilization Arc

Together, we'll examine the Kansas Health Foundation's Mobilization Arc, focusing on upward mobility in Kansas. We'll explore how this work moves from community input and data, to a shared blueprint, and into innovative, collaborative action for change.

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Factions

The group will examine how different stakeholders understand and approach Upward Mobility. This interactive session will focus on identifying core values, navigating differing perspectives, and practicing the kind of leadership required to build trust, alignment, and a shared process for developing our blueprint for Upward Mobility in Kansas.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Directions for Rapid Fire Experience

Here we set the stage for the co-creation of our shared blueprint. Participants will rotate through tables for facilitated discussions about specific strategies for Upward Mobility. Conversations will explore opportunities, barriers, and early ideas for action to help surface which strategies show the greatest promise for inclusion in the blueprint.

1:15 – 2:55 p.m. Upward Mobility Rapid Fire, Part 1 (See above.)

2:55 – 3:15 a.m. Break

3:15 – 5:00 p.m. Upward Mobility Rapid Fire, Part 2 (See above.)

5:00 – 5:15 p.m. Closing Reflection

WEDNESDAY, April 22

8:00 - 8:45 a.m. Breakfast Buffet

A draft version of the Upward Mobility Blueprint will be provided for review during breakfast.

8:45 – 9:45 a.m. First Draft of the Blueprint

We'll gather your reactions to the draft blueprint and discuss refinements.

9:45 – 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 - 11:45 a.m. Activating the Blueprint

The group will brainstorm ways to activate the blueprint through funding, systems change, and collaboration.

12:00 - 12:30 p.m. Lunch & Farewell

Grab a boxed lunch and hit the road...or stick around to eat together and chat before departing.