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POLICY: The Shawnee County Community Developmental Disabilities Organization (CDDO) will implement a plan, developed in coordination with the Shawnee County CDDO's affiliates, that results in services being offered and provided in a way that does not discriminate against any person because of the severity of each person's disability.

## **GUIDELINES:**

- 1. TARC Inc., designated as the CDDO for Shawnee County, shall enter into contractual agreements with entities interested in providing I/DD Services in Shawnee County.
- 2. Mutual contractual affiliation agreements may allow an entity to specialize in services. Specialization in services will be indicated in the specific contractual agreements and Shawnee County Affiliated Provider list.
- 3. Affiliated providers will not deny services based upon severity of the disability per the CDDO affiliate agreement.
- 4. Affiliated providers will be required to provide services in relation to the affiliated providers' capacity methodology.
- 5. The CDDO shall assist in establishing and identifying affiliates to provide services and supports to individuals with I/DD when gaps and/or barriers exist.
- 6. The CDDO in consultation with affiliated providers can only refuse to serve a person who is determined by the State of Kansas to be inappropriate for community services. Documentation or Article 63 must determine the person presents a clear and present danger to self or to others in the community.
- 7. If a person feels he/she has been discriminated against with regard to provision of services, the person may utilize the CDDO's Dispute Resolution Policy (06-020).