

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

TO: BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	Reviewed:
FROM: Lisa Johnson	Ext: 3485
DEPARTMENT: Administration	
DATE: Wednesday, August 26, 2009	No:

ITEM: Consider the approval of the proposed State of Kansas Non-State Public Employer Contract.

Background: On August 6, 2009, the Commission voted to execute a letter of intent to join the State of Kansas Health Benefit Plan beginning January 1, 2010 for a three year period. We have received the attached contracts from the State of Kansas to formalize this agreement and join the plan. The agreement provides for a three year commitment on the part of the County, referred to in the agreement as the Non-State Public Employer (NSPE). The County is required as part of the agreement to budget the necessary funds for the employer portion of the plan during this time period and to submit on a monthly basis the employer and employee premiums to the State. Once the contracts are signed, open enrollment for the 2010 benefit year is scheduled to occur on September 22, 2009, in the Commission Chambers at the Annex. Times for the meetings will be scheduled shortly. Information has been provided to employees on the different network providers, prescription costs and plan costs. Additional information will be provided to each employee and other eligible participants prior to the open enrollment on each plan option. Ms. Stofko has also advised departments of her availability to meet with employees to answer questions prior to enrollment and to meet with entire departments if so desired.

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the commission approve the three-year contract with the State of Kansas to provide health insurance for Franklin County employees.

Attachments: None