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Chairperson Wagle and members of the Committee, I am Don Jordan, Acting Secretary of the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today to provide information on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment survey of Larned State Hospital. Larned State Hospital was established in 1914 and has been providing Mental Health services to Kansans ever since. We are committed to providing the highest quality care in safe and humane facilities. The Department welcomes oversight visits, audits, or surveys from outside entities, as it provides us with a fresh set of eyes to review our programs. We are then able to use these findings from the surveys to help us improve the services to our customers.

I can assure you that all of the findings in the survey will be corrected or mitigated. Larned State Hospital has already made corrections to many of the findings, and has changed or instituted new policies that will improve the oversight of the housekeeping and maintenance functions. I am confident that the Superintendent and employees at Larned State Hospital are dedicated to providing high quality care to the patients at Larned.

I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.