Using as a foundation the efforts of the Kansas Physician Workforce Advisory Group, Kansas Primary Care Education Enhancement Task Force, Department of Family and Community Medicine at KU School of Medicine-Wichita, the Wichita Center for Graduate Medical Education, and the Wichita-based Medical Education & Research Improvement Task Force -- and building upon the work completed at the October 25 & 26 Summit on Enhancing Primary Care for Kansas:

1. Develop a clear and compelling vision statement that captures the key elements of the above referenced initiatives and can serve as a unifying focal point for future efforts to enhance primary care for Kansas.

2. Define the goals and objectives that should guide a statewide primary care enhancement initiative, being as specific as possible about the desired outcomes of the effort.

3. Develop a consolidated “environmental overview” that a) draws upon the best available data on both workforce trends and projected population demographics, and b) makes clear the nature of the physician workforce challenge that will confront the State of Kansas in the coming decades if no action is taken to influence current trends.

4. Develop a communication/education plan that packages the environmental overview in a fashion that can be readily understood by legislators, the statewide business community, and the lay public.

5. Integrate the reports of the previously convened task forces/work groups and prepare a set of consensus recommendations that can form the basis for the creation of focused implementation plans.

6. Using the consensus recommendations as the starting point, establish a prioritized list of initiatives that would best meet the goals and objectives identified in response to the second element of your charge.

7. Make recommendations to the Deans of the KU School of Medicine campuses in Kansas City and Wichita on the membership and charges to the “action teams” that would oversee implementation of the highest-priority initiatives identified by the Coordinating Committee.

8. Serve as a continuing liaison to the Deans of the KU School of Medicine campuses in Kansas City and Wichita, as well as to other key stakeholder groups, to assure that the interests of primary care are kept at the forefront of strategic planning and policy-making efforts.