

CHAPTER 124**(HB 527)**

AN ACT relating to community mental health centers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 210.410 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is hereby authorized to make state grants and other fund allocations from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to assist any combination of cities and counties, or nonprofit corporations in the establishment and operation of regional community mental health and intellectual disability programs which *may provide primary care services and* shall provide at least the following services:
 - (a) Inpatient services;
 - (b) Outpatient services;
 - (c) Partial hospitalization or psychosocial rehabilitation services;
 - (d) Emergency services;
 - (e) Consultation and education services; and
 - (f) Services for individuals with an intellectual disability.
- (2) The services required in subsection (1)(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) of this section, *in addition to primary care services, if provided*, shall be available to the mentally ill, drug abusers and alcohol abusers, and all age groups including children and the elderly. The services required in subsection (1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), *in addition to primary care services, if provided*, shall be available to individuals with an intellectual disability. The services required in subsection (1)(b) of this section shall be available to any child age sixteen (16) or older upon request of such child without the consent of a parent or legal guardian, if the matter for which the services are sought involves alleged physical or sexual abuse by a parent or guardian whose consent would otherwise be required.

➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 205 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *For the purposes of this section:*
 - (a) *"Advanced practice registered nurse" has the same meaning as in KRS 314.011;*
 - (b) *"Physician" has the same meaning as in KRS 311.550; and*
 - (c) *"Physician assistant" has the same meaning as in KRS 311.840.*
- (2) *The Cabinet for Health and Family Services and any regional managed care partnership or other entity under contract with the cabinet for the administration or provision of the Medicaid program shall provide Medicaid reimbursement for primary care services provided by a licensed physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant employed by a community mental health center established pursuant to KRS 210.370 to 210.480, if the community mental health center is in compliance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations on enhanced primary care reimbursements.*
- (3) *Primary care services provided by a physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant in a community mental health center shall be subject to the same reimbursement rates as established by the Department for Medicaid Services for primary care providers operating in Kentucky.*
- (4) *The cabinet shall promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to implement this section.*

Signed by Governor April 11, 2014.