

CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
Department for Public Health
Division of Maternal and Child Health
(New Administrative Regulation)

902 KAR 4:105. Kentucky Lifeline for Moms program implementation.

RELATES TO: KRS 211.122, 216.2920

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 194A.050, 211.123

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 194A.050(1) requires the secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to operate the programs and fulfill the responsibilities vested in the cabinet. KRS 211.123 establishes the Kentucky Maternal Psychiatric Access Program, also known as the Lifeline for Moms program. This administrative regulation establishes the implementation procedures for the Kentucky Lifeline for Moms program.

Section 1. Definitions.

- (1) "Eligible patient" means any individual who is pregnant or up to twelve (12) months post-pregnancy.
- (2) "Health-care provider" is defined by KRS 216.2920(5).
- (3) "Lifeline for Moms" means the consultation line, as authorized by KRS 211.123, available for health-care providers to build their capacity to address mental health concerns of patients who are pregnant or up to twelve (12) months post-partum.
- (4) "Maternal and infant health collaborative" means the collaborative panel of maternal and infant health-care providers as authorized by KRS 211.122.

Section 2. Program implementation.

- (1) A health-care provider who, upon examination of an eligible patient, is concerned that the patient may be suffering a perinatal mood disorder may contact the Kentucky Lifeline for Moms program for assistance in determining the most appropriate course of action in accordance with KRS 211.123(4).
- (2) Beginning July 1, 2025, and continuing annually thereafter, the Kentucky Lifeline for Moms program shall provide a report to the maternal and infant health collaborative panel on the following:
 - (a) The total number of calls received per quarter;
 - (b) The geographic location by area development district of the caller;
 - (c) The discipline of the health-care provider who contacted the program; and
 - (d) The total number of patients served.

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PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD: A public hearing on this administrative regulation shall, if requested, be held on December 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. using the CHFS Office of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Zoom meeting room. The Zoom invitation will be emailed to each requestor the week prior to the scheduled hearing. Individuals interested in attending this virtual hearing shall notify this agency in writing by December 16, 2024, five (5) workdays prior to the hearing, of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing is received by that date, the hearing may be canceled. This hearing is open to the public. Any person who attends virtually will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed administrative regulation. A transcript of the

public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on this proposed administrative regulation until December 31, 2024. Send written notification of intent to attend the public hearing or written comments on the proposed administrative regulation to the contact person. Pursuant to KRS 13A.280(8), copies of the statement of consideration and, if applicable, the amended after comments version of the administrative regulation shall be made available upon request.

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