

15.935 Purposes for disbursement of funds.

- (1) The state board may authorize the disbursement of available money from the trust fund, upon legislative appropriations, for exclusively the following purposes, which are listed in the order of preference for expenditure:
 - (a) To fund a private nonprofit or public organization in the development or operation of a prevention program if at least all of the following conditions are met:
 1. The appropriate community resource organization has reviewed and approved the program. This subparagraph does not apply if a community resource organization does not exist for the geographic area to be served by the program;
 2. The organization agrees to match a percentage, as determined by the state board, of the total cost of the project through dollars as a match;
 3. The organization demonstrates a willingness and ability to provide program models and consultation to organizations and communities regarding program development and maintenance; and
 4. Other conditions that the state board may deem appropriate;
 - (b) To fund the cost of medical examinations of victims of suspected child sexual abuse and child abuse and neglect to the extent the fee for an examination is a service not eligible to be paid for by Medicaid or private insurance. The fees paid for this examination shall not exceed reasonable, usual, and customary charges as set by the state board;
 - (c) To fund the cost of counseling and other mental health services to victims of child sexual abuse and child abuse and neglect to the extent the fees for counseling and mental health services are services not eligible to be paid for by Medicaid or private insurance. The fees paid for counseling and mental health services shall not exceed reasonable, usual, and customary charges as set by the state board;
 - (d) To fund community resource organizations;
 - (e) To fund a statewide public education and awareness campaign on child sexual abuse and child abuse and neglect, making use of electronic and print media to inform the public about the nature of child sexual abuse and child abuse and neglect, legal reporting requirements, victim rights, legal remedies, agency services, and prevention strategies;
 - (f) To fund and evaluate the comparative success of statewide comprehensive approaches to prevention education making use of multiple approaches; and
 - (g) To fund the state board created in KRS 15.905 for the actual and necessary operating expenses that the board incurs in performing its duties.
- (2) Authorizations for disbursement of trust fund money under subsection (1)(g) of this section shall be kept at a minimum in furtherance of the primary purpose of the trust fund which is to disburse money under subsections (1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of this section to encourage the direct provision of services to

prevent child abuse and exploitation and child abuse and neglect, and to provide medical examination and counseling or other mental health services for victims of child sexual abuse and child abuse and neglect.

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