

### **202A.161 Timing of initial examination and report.**

Any person admitted to a hospital pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be initially examined by an authorized staff physician of the hospital or, with permission of the facility's governing body and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the facility's medical staff bylaws, policies, and procedures, a physician assistant as defined in KRS 311.550, or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed under KRS Chapter 314 as soon as practicable but not later than thirty-six (36) hours (excluding weekends and holidays) and a report entered into the medical record not later than forty-eight (48) hours (excluding weekends and holidays) after his admission.

**Effective:** July 15, 2010

**History:** Amended 2010 Ky. Acts ch. 85, sec. 33, effective July 15, 2010. -- Amended 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 422, sec. 1, effective July 14, 2000. -- Created 1982 Ky. Acts ch. 445, sec. 21, effective July 1, 1982.

**Legislative Research Commission Note.** This section was enacted in 1982 Acts, Chapter 445, which contains the following language in Section 45 of that Act: "This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1982." The Ky. Constitution, in Section 55, requires that a reason be set forth for the emergency. However, no reason is set forth in this Act. The effective date for 1982 Acts with no emergency provision is July 15, 1982.