

1 AN ACT relating to implementing Do Not Resuscitate orders in a hospital setting.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 311 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

- 5 *(1) For purposes of this section, a "Do Not Resuscitate" or "DNR" order shall mean*
6 *a medical order directing that life-prolonging treatment as defined in KRS*
7 *311.621 is not to be provided to a patient.*
- 8 *(2) A Do Not Resuscitate or DNR order written by any health care provider in a*
9 *hospital setting shall not be implemented without the signature of the patient or a*
10 *family member of the patient.*
- 11 *(3) If a patient for whom a Do Not Resuscitate or DNR order has been written by any*
12 *health care provider in a hospital setting does not have a current "MOST,*
13 *Medical Order for Scope of Treatment" form completed in accordance with KRS*
14 *311.621 to 311.643, a hospital may request, but shall not require, that the patient*
15 *or other authorized person complete a "MOST, Medical Order for Scope of*
16 *Treatment" form in accordance with KRS 311.621 to 311.643*