

1 AN ACT relating to newborn and infant screenings.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *As used in Sections 1 to 4 of this Act:*

6 *(1) "Department" means the Department for Public Health in the Cabinet for*
7 *Health and Family Services;*

8 *(2) "Health facility" has the same meaning as in KRS 216B.015; and*

9 *(3) "Physician" means any person licensed to practice medicine under KRS Chapter*
10 *311.*

11 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO
12 READ AS FOLLOWS:

13 *(1) The department shall make available to the public on its Web site educational*
14 *resources regarding the incidence of congenital cytomegalovirus, including*
15 *information about:*

16 *(a) The transmission of congenital cytomegalovirus before and during*
17 *pregnancy;*

18 *(b) Birth defects caused by congenital cytomegalovirus;*

19 *(c) Methods of diagnosing congenital cytomegalovirus;*

20 *(d) Available preventive measures; and*

21 *(e) Resources available to the family of an infant born with congenital*
22 *cytomegalovirus.*

23 *(2) The department may solicit and accept the assistance of relevant medical*
24 *associations or community resources to develop, promote, and distribute the*
25 *public educational resources.*

26 *(3) A health facility or physician providing obstetric or prenatal services shall*
27 *provide to pregnant women or women who may become pregnant with the*

1 information listed in subsection (1) of this section or provide the patients with a
2 link to the Web site described in subsection (1) of this section.

3 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 Every infant in this state who is given an auditory screening test described in KRS
6 216.2970, and fails the initial two (2) screenings or has other risk factors associated
7 with congenital cytomegalovirus, shall be tested for congenital cytomegalovirus not
8 later than twenty-one (21) days after the date of birth by the health facility or physician
9 providing services to the infant, unless the parents or guardians of the infant opt out of
10 testing.

11 ➔SECTION 4. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO
12 READ AS FOLLOWS:

13 The department may promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS
14 Chapter 13A to implement Sections 1 to 4 of this Act.

15 ➔Section 5. This Act may be cited as the Bella Dawn Streeval Law.