

1 AN ACT relating to early intervention services for children.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 200.666 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) The cabinet shall monitor personnel standards for service providers to ensure the
5 qualified service providers necessary to carry out the provisions of KRS 200.650 to
6 200.676 are appropriately and adequately prepared and trained in order to comply
7 with the requirements of federal law and regulations.
- 8 (2) The cabinet shall provide the components of a comprehensive system of personnel
9 development which shall include:
- 10 (a) Preservice and inservice training conducted on an interdisciplinary basis to the
11 extent appropriate; and
- 12 (b) Training provided for a variety of entities, including but not limited to, public
13 and private providers, primary referral sources, parents, paraprofessionals, and
14 persons who serve as professional service coordinators or case managers.
- 15 (3) Training may include:
- 16 (a) Implementing innovative strategies and activities for the recruitment and
17 retention of early intervention service providers;
- 18 (b) Promoting the preparation of early intervention providers who are fully and
19 appropriately qualified to provide early intervention;
- 20 (c) Training personnel to work in rural areas; and
- 21 (d) Recruiting and training personnel to coordinate transition services for infants
22 and toddlers with disabilities from an early intervention program to a
23 preschool program.
- 24 (4) The cabinet shall coordinate with other agencies, ***including but not limited to the***
25 ***Kentucky Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, the Kentucky***
26 ***Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy, the Kentucky Board of Physical***
27 ***Therapy, and any other Kentucky boards which license providers of early***

1 *intervention services* in the provision of the comprehensive system of personnel
2 development *and training* activities *to ensure that the personnel development and*
3 *training activities required pursuant to this section are offered and completed as*
4 *part of continuing education requirements of the respective provider licensure*
5 *boards.*