

1 AN ACT relating to health services.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 216.313 is amended to read as follows:

4 As used in KRS 216.310 to 216.360:

- 5 (1) "Hospital" means a place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of  
6 facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, or care, for more than twenty-four (24) hours,  
7 of two (2) or more nonrelated individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury,  
8 deformity, or a place including nursing and convalescent homes and all institutions  
9 for the care of the sick, devoted primarily to providing, for more than twenty-four  
10 (24) hours, obstetrical or other medical or nursing care for two (2) or more  
11 nonrelated individuals;
- 12 (2) "District" means hospital district;
- 13 (3) "Board" means the governing body of a hospital district;
- 14 (4) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or  
15 his ***or her*** designee; and
- 16 (5) "Medical service area" means the geographic territory from which patients come or  
17 are expected to come to existing or proposed health facilities as defined by the  
18 Cabinet for Health and Family Services.