

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid eligibility.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 205.592 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, pregnant women, new
5 parents~~[mothers]~~ up to twenty-four (24)~~[twelve (12)]~~ months postpartum, and
6 children up to age one (1) shall be eligible for participation in the Kentucky
7 Medical Assistance Program if:

8 (a) They have family income up to but not exceeding one hundred and eighty-five
9 percent (185%) of the nonfarm income official poverty guidelines as
10 promulgated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services
11 ~~[of the United States]~~ as revised annually; and

12 (b) They are otherwise eligible for the program.

13 (2) The percentage established in subsection (1)(a) of this section may be increased to
14 the extent:

15 (a) Permitted under federal law; and

16 (b) Funding is available.

17 ➔Section 2. If the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for
18 Medicaid Services determines that a state plan amendment, waiver, or any other form of
19 authorization or approval from any federal agency to implement Section 1 of this Act is
20 necessary to prevent the loss of federal funds or to comply with federal law, the cabinet
21 or department:

22 (1) Shall, within 90 days after the effective date of this section, request the
23 necessary federal authorization or approval to implement Section 1 of this Act; and

24 (2) May only delay implementation of the provisions of Section 1 of this Act for
25 which federal authorization or approval was deemed necessary until the federal
26 authorization or approval is granted.

27 ➔Section 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall constitute the specific authorization

1 required under KRS 205.5372(1).