

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for postpartum behavioral healthcare.

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 Pregnant women, new parents~~[mothers]~~ up to twenty-four (24)~~[twelve (12)]~~ months
5 postpartum, and children up to age one (1) shall be eligible for participation in the
6 Kentucky Medical Assistance Program if:

- 7 (1) They have family income up to but not exceeding one hundred and eighty-five
8 percent (185%) of the nonfarm income official poverty guidelines as promulgated
9 by the Department of Health and Human Services of the United States as revised
10 annually; and
11 (2) They are otherwise eligible for the program.

12 ➔Section 2. If the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for
13 Medicaid Services determines that a state plan amendment, waiver, or any other form of
14 approval or authorization from a federal agency is necessary prior to the implementation
15 of Section 1 of this Act, the cabinet or department shall, within 90 days after the effective
16 date of this Act, request the state plan amendment, waiver, approval, or authorization and
17 shall only delay full implementation of those provisions for which a state plan
18 amendment, waiver, approval, or authorization was deemed necessary until the state plan
19 amendment, waiver, approval, or authorization is granted. The cabinet shall, in
20 accordance with KRS 205.525, provide a copy of any state plan amendment, waiver, or
21 other approval or authorization submitted pursuant to this section to the Interim Joint
22 Committee on Health, Welfare, and Family Services and the Interim Joint Committee on
23 Appropriations and Revenue and shall provide an update on the status or any application
24 submitted pursuant to this section upon request.

25 ➔Section 3. In the event the Legislative Research Commission dissolves the
26 Interim Joint Committee on Health, Welfare, and Family Services and establishes another
27 interim joint committee with jurisdiction over health services, the report required in

- 1 Section 2 of this Act shall be submitted to that interim joint committee.