

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid coverage for certified professional midwifery
2 services.

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

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 205 IS CREATED TO
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *(1) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Department for*
7 *Medicaid Services and any managed care organization with whom the*
8 *department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services shall provide*
9 *coverage for certified professional midwifery services that are provided by a*
10 *licensed certified professional midwife.*

11 *(b) As used in this subsection, "certified professional midwifery services" and*
12 *"licensed certified professional midwife" mean the same as in KRS*
13 *314.400.*

14 *(2) Coverage required by this section shall not be subject to:*

15 *(a) Cost-sharing requirements; or*

16 *(b) Utilization management requirements, including prior authorization.*

17 *(3) The Department for Medicaid Services may promulgate administrative*
18 *regulations necessary to carry out this section.*

19 ➔Section 2. If the Cabinet for Health and Family Services or the Department for
20 Medicaid Services determines that a waiver or any other authorization from a federal
21 agency is necessary prior to the implementation of any provision of Section 1 of this Act,
22 the cabinet or department shall, within 90 days after the effective date of this Act, request
23 the waiver or authorization and shall only delay full implementation of those provisions
24 for which a waiver or authorization was deemed necessary until the waiver or
25 authorization is granted.