

211.647 Duty of commission on receipt of hearing risk certificate.

- (1) The commission, on receipt of an auditory screening report of an infant from a hospital or alternative birthing center in accordance with KRS 216.2970 shall review each auditory screening report that indicates a potential hearing loss. The commission shall contact the parents to schedule follow-up evaluations or make a referral for evaluations within three (3) business days.
- (2) The commission shall secure information missing from birth certificates or hospital referral reports which is relevant to identifying infants with a hearing loss.
- (3) If the hearing evaluation performed by the commission contains evidence of a hearing loss, within forty-eight (48) hours the commission shall:
 - (a) Contact the attending physician and parents; and
 - (b) Make a referral to the Kentucky Early Intervention System point of entry in the service area of the child's residence for services under KRS 200.664.
- (4) The commission shall forward a report of a hearing evaluation that indicates a hearing loss, with no information that personally identifies the child, to:
 - (a) The Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for census purposes; and
 - (b) The Kentucky Birth Surveillance Registry for information purposes.
- (5) Cumulative demographic data of identified infants with a hearing loss shall be made available to agencies and organizations including, but not limited to, the Cabinet for Health Services and the Early Childhood Development Authority, requesting the information for planning purposes.

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