

1 AN ACT relating to the diagnosis of sepsis.

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

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

5 *To encourage the early identification and treatment of sepsis and for consistency with*  
6 *the ICD-10 coding classification system utilized by the federal Centers for Medicare*  
7 *and Medicaid Services, the Department for Medicaid Services and any managed care*  
8 *organization with which the department contracts for the delivery of Medicaid services*  
9 *shall use and apply clinical criteria for sepsis that requires no more than:*

10 *(1) A provider's diagnosis of sepsis and that a suspected or confirmed source of*  
11 *infection is present; and*

12 *(2) The presence of two (2) or more symptoms indicating inflammatory response*  
13 *syndrome which may include elevated values of the patient's body temperature,*  
14 *heart rate, white blood count, or respiratory rate.*