

Kentucky Early Intervention System (KEIS) Interagency Coordinating Council Members

Note: KRS 200.658 established the KEIS Interagency Coordinating Council. The statute requires a council of 25 members some of whom are not required by federal statute and regulation.

34 CFR 303.601 are the regulations for membership of the State Interagency Coordinating Council.

Expired Terms italicized

Parent Representatives		Term	Notes: 34 CFR 303.601—At least 20% of members must be parents; Parent must have a child with a disability 12 or younger; at least one must have a child 6 or younger. Must have knowledge of or experience with programs for infants and toddlers with disabilities. KRS 200.658—Five members, including minority parents. Has the same requirements for age of child and knowledge/experience with programs for infants and toddlers with disabilities as federal regulation.
Holly LaFavers	Lexington	4/20/2020	Geographic area: Central KY
Kelsey Richey	Alvaton (Barren Co.)	4/20/2021	Geographic area: Southwest KY
Catherine Lowe	Lexington	4/20/2022	Geographic area: Central KY
Christina Marraccini	Frankfort	4/20/2022	Geographic area: Central KY
David C. Jennings	Louisville	4/20/2022	Geographic area: Central KY

Public & Private Provider Representatives		Term	Notes: 34 CFR 303.601—At least 20% of members must be public or private providers of early intervention services. KRS 200.658 requires 5 members in this category.
Elizabeth Schumacher	Louisville	4/20/22	Geographic area: Central KY Discipline— Psychology; Director of U of L NICU Follow-up Program
Lauren Thomas	Louisville	4/20/22	Geographic area: Central KY Provider Discipline—PT; owner of a private early intervention services agency, Theraplay
Anne Marie Raispis	Crescent Springs	4/20/20	Geographic area: Northern KY Provider Discipline—PT; owner of a private early intervention services agency, Theraplay
Jessica Hart	Richmond	4/20/20	Geographic area: Central KY Provider Discipline: Service Coordinator (former)

Scott Tomchek	Louisville	4/20/16	Geographic area: Central KY Provider Discipline—OT; Assistant Director of Weisskopf Child Evaluation Center
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University Personnel Representative	Term	Notes: 34 CFR 303.601—At least one member must be involved in personnel preparation. KRS 200.658 requires the same, adds may include personnel from an institution of higher education or preservice training	
Elizabeth McLaren	Lexington	4/20/2022	Morehead State University

State Legislature Representative: NOTE: Both 34 CFR 303.601 and KRS 200.658 requires at least one member from the state legislature			
Thomas J. Burch	House of Representatives	Ex-Officio	

<p>State Agencies Involved with Early Intervention 34 CFR 303.601 requires at least one member be from each of the state agencies involved in the provision of, or payment for, early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families and have sufficient authority to engage in policy planning and implementation for their agencies.</p> <p>KRS 200.658 requires the Commissioner or individual serving in a position with equivalent authority or the designee from each of the following agencies: 1) Department for Public Health 2) Department for Medicaid Services 3) Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities 4) Department for Community Based Services 5) Department of Education 6) Department of Insurance 7) Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs</p>	Term
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Department of Medicaid Services: Required by federal regulations and state statute	
Dr. Judy Theriot	4/20/2022

Department for Public Health: Required by federal regulations and state statute	
Dr. Steven Stack	4/20/2022

Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities: Required by federal regulations and state statute	
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Beth Jordan	4/20/2022
Department for Community-Based Services/Child Care and Foster Care: Specifically required by federal regulations; DCBS required by state statute	
Christa Bell	4/20/2022
Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs: Required by state statute	
VACANT	4/20/2022
Homeless Children Program (McKinley-Vento Act): Required by federal regulations	
Melissa S. Ferrell	4/20/2022
Department of Education: Required by federal regulations and state statute	
Andrea Bartholomew	4/20/2022
Department of Insurance: Required by federal regulations and state statute	
Nancy Atkins	4/20/2022
Head Start Representative: Required by federal regulations	
Sally K. Shepherd	4/20/2022