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| Who we are The Kentucky Eating Disorder Council was established via KRS 210.051 in July of 2020 to address how disordered eating affects Kentuckians, and improve access to education, treatment and recover; and to inform individuals, families and providers of the risks and complications that can be associated with eating disorders.  The body of the KY EDC is represented by:   * The Cabinet for Health and Family Services Secretary’s Office, * Department for Medicaid Services, * Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, * Department for Public Health, * Department for Insurance, * KY Department of Education, * KY Council on Postsecondary Education, * KY Hospital Association, * One Psychologist, Social Worker, Nurse and Dietician, * Two Researchers, one with a background in Psychology and the other with a background in Public Health, and * Three individuals with lived experience. |  |  | |  | | --- | | C:\Users\kate.wagoner\Desktop\KEDC\KEDC logo - final 4.21b.png  KY EDC  Email: Kate.Wagoner@ky.gov  Web: <https://dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/kedc.aspx>  KRS 210.051: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=50207> | |
| The KY EDC meets on the third Tuesday of odd-numbered months from 2p.m. – 3p.m. eastern, and is currently meeting via Zoom. If you would like more information on how to participate with the Council, or receive information on what the Council is working on, please email Kate at the address to the right. |

# What we do:

* Oversee the development and implementation of eating disorder awareness, education, and prevention programs;
* Identify strategies for improving access to adequate diagnosis and treatment services;
* Assist the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS)in identifying eating disorder research projects;
* Work with CHFS and other appropriate entities to routinely examine existing surveillance systems, data collection systems, and administrative databasesto determine the best strategies for implementing evidence-based eating disorder measures that provide data for program and policy planning purposes;
* As reasonably as possible, collaborate and coordinate on data research projects with CHFS and other appropriate entities; and
* Make recommendations regarding legislative and regulatory changes as appropriate.

Additionally, the council shall apply for grants from the federal government, private foundations, or other sources that may be available for programs related to eating disorders.

