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MEMORANDUM

PERSONNEL MEMO 26-15

To: Constitutional Officers
Cabinet Secretaries
Agency Heads
Human Resource (HR) Administrators

From: Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Secretary 

Date: October 1, 2026

Re: **Annual State Certification for Drug-Free Workplace Federal Grants
October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027**

Attached is the Kentucky State Certification for Federal Grants under the provisions of the Drug-Free Workplace Act for Federal Fiscal Year 2026. Your agency may be required to submit a copy of this certification when applying for federal funding. The certification is valid from October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Rosemary G. Holbrook at (502) 564-6761 or via email at rosemaryg.holbrook@ky.gov.

Attachments: Annual Certification for Drug-Free Workplace Federal Grants
Agency Federal Funding Source 2026-2027

**Kentucky State Government
Annual Multiple Agency Certification Regarding
Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
Federal Fiscal Year 2026/2027
October 1, 2026 - September 30, 2027**

Pursuant to Executive Order 96-611 issued by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky on May 15, 1996, (attached as Appendix A) I, Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Secretary, Personnel Cabinet, do hereby certify, on behalf of the Executive Branch of Kentucky State Government, that all of its agencies are in compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and it has:

- I. Published a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition (attached as Appendix B);
- II. Established an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - A. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - B. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - C. Available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - D. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations;
- III. Made it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (I);
- IV. Notified each employee in the statement required by paragraph (I) that as a condition of employment under the grant the employee will:
 - A. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - B. Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation in the workplace no later than five days after the conviction;
- V. Established a policy by which the employer will notify the granting agency in writing, within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (IV)(B) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;

- VI. Established a policy under which the employer will impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program by, any employee who is convicted; as required by 41 U.S.C. § 8104;
- VII. Made a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs I through VI.

Commonwealth of Kentucky, State Government

Organization Name

Mary Elizabeth Bailey - Personnel Cabinet

Name and Title of Authorized Representative


Signature

October 1, 2026

Date



PAUL E. PATTON
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER

96-611

Secretary of State
Frankfurt
Kentucky

May 15, 1996

**RELATING TO DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

WHEREAS, in 1988, the United States Congress enacted the Anti-Drug Abuse Act (Public Law 100-690) which requires recipients of federal grants to certify that they have met the requirements designed to promote a drug-free workplace; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky has maintained a policy of prohibiting the manufacture, distribution, possession, and use of controlled substance drugs in the workplace and of enforcing such prohibition through disciplinary action against offenders while providing a program of rehabilitation and counseling through its Employee Assistance program and through the State-supported health insurance programs; and

WHEREAS, the unlawful manufacture, distribution, possession and use of controlled substances in the workplace constitutes a serious hazard to the health, safety and welfare of State employees as well as to the health, safety and welfare of the public they serve; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed appropriate that the Secretary of the Personnel Cabinet notify State employees of the penalties, programs and reporting requirements of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL E. PATTON, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby order and direct the Secretary of the Personnel Cabinet to issue written notice to each employee of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, advising of the requirements of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, of the range of penalties that may be imposed for violations, and of the rehabilitation and counseling programs that are available.

The Secretary of the Personnel Cabinet is authorized and directed to certify compliance with the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 to the appropriate federal grantor agency upon issuance of notice to State employees.

This Order is effective upon execution.

PAUL E. PATTON
Governor

JOHN Y. BROWN III
Secretary of State

APPENDIX A



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Mary Elizabeth Bailey
SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Executive Branch State Employees

FROM: Mary Elizabeth Bailey, Secretary

DATE: August 21, 2026

RE: Drug-Free Workplace

The federal statute governing drug-free workplace requirements for federal grant recipients requires agencies that receive federal funds to certify that they have met requirements designed to promote a drug-free workplace (41 U.S.C. § 8103). In compliance with this Act, all Executive Branch state employees are notified that:

A. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of any controlled substance is strictly prohibited in the workplace.

B. The Personnel Cabinet will continue to promote drug-free awareness programs through employee assistance and, in cooperation with state agencies, to eradicate the dangers that drugs in the workplace create for our employees. State-supported health insurance provides coverage for employees referred to or seeking treatment for drug and alcohol-related problems.

C. Compliance with drug-free workplace requirements is a condition of continued employment with state government for all state employees. Each employee is obligated to report any conviction he or she receives as a result of a violation of any criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace within five (5) days after such conviction. Such a report is to be made to the employee's appointing authority and is required by federal law. Failure of any employee to report his or her conviction to the appointing authority may result in disciplinary action. The agency is obligated to report such conviction to the federal grantor within ten (10) days after it receives notice.

D. Employees found to be in violation of drug-free workplace requirements may face disciplinary action by the appointing authority up to and including dismissal, in accordance with state law, or may be required to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or treatment program.

Appendix B



Executive Branch State Employee Handbook



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accumulated leave to keep your regular salary. If you choose to use your paid accumulated leave, your Workers' Compensation income benefits must be remitted back to the state for whatever time you receive paid leave. Your accumulated leave will be reinstated to the extent that Worker's Compensation income benefits are remitted. You may not receive and keep paid accumulated leave and Worker's Compensation income benefits for the same period of time. Refer to 101 KAR 2:140 Section 4.

Most injuries are preventable if employees remain safety-conscious. Review the Safety section included in this handbook or contact the Kentucky Safety Program and Workers' Compensation Branch at (502) 564-6847 for additional information.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

[KRS Chapter 342](#)

[101 KAR 2:140](#)

WORKPLACE

Dress Code

As the Commonwealth's largest employer, our workforce interacts with the public and other government entities on a daily basis. Employees, as representatives of the Commonwealth, should maintain a neat, professional appearance that is appropriate for the workplace and the work being performed. Employees shall adhere to the following guidelines:

- Employees shall carry or wear employee identification badges or other agency-identifying clothing;
- Flip-flops shall not be worn in the workplace;
- Employees shall not wear tops exposing their midriff;
- Employees shall not wear tops with oversized/large commercial logos or offensive language;
- Reasonable accommodations to this policy may be granted for religious, medical, or disability related needs;
- An employee seeking an accommodation should contact the agency's Human Resource office.

The Personnel Cabinet recognizes that individual workplaces have unique needs and requirements. Therefore, agencies are responsible for ensuring that their employees are aware of this policy in addition to any other policy that may exist for the agency. Any employee found in violation of the policy will be required to take corrective action, which may include leaving the work premises, and may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

Drug-Free Workplace

The federal statute governing drug-free workplace requirements for federal grant recipients requires recipients of federal funds to certify that they have met requirements designed to promote a drug-free workplace (41 U.S.C. § 8103). In compliance with this Act, all state employees are notified that:

- The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance is strictly prohibited in the workplace.
- Employees may be required to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or treatment program.
- State-supported health insurance provides coverage for employees referred to or seeking treatment for drug and alcohol related problems.
- Compliance with drug-free workplace requirements is a condition of continued employment with the Executive Branch. Each employee is obligated to report any conviction he or she receives as a result of a violation of any criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace within five (5) days of such conviction. Such a report is to be made to the employee's Appointing Authority and

is required by federal law. Failure of any employee to report his or her conviction to the appointing authority may result in disciplinary action. The agency is obligated to report such conviction to the federal grantor within ten (10) days after it receives notice.

- Employees found to be in violation of drug-free workplace requirements may face disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

STATE AGENCIES' FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES 2026/2027
(As of September 30, 2026)

STATE AGENCY

FEDERAL FUNDING AGENCY

General Government Cabinet

Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. Department of Defense
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Department of Military Affairs

U.S. Department of Defense
U.S. Department of Transportation
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
U.S. Department of Justice

Department for Local Government

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development
- Office of Community Planning and Development
U.S. Department of the Interior
- National Park Service
U.S. Department of Transportation
- Federal Highway Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
- Economic Development Administration
Appalachian Regional Commission
National Forest Receipts Fund
Federal Flood Control Fund

Council on Postsecondary Education

U.S. Department of Education
U.S. Department of Treasury

Kentucky Commission on Human Rights

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Kentucky Infrastructure Authority

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. Department of Treasury

Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs

U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Veterans Health Administration
National Cemetery Administration

Office of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

State Board of Elections

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

Office of the State Treasurer:

Commonwealth Council for Developmental Disabilities

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
- Administration for Community Living

STATE AGENCIES' FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES 2026/2027

(As of September 30, 2026)

Office of Attorney General:

Office of Medicaid Fraud & Abuse Control
Office of Victims Advocacy
Department of Child Support Services

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
U.S. Department of Justice
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Office of State Budget Director

U.S. Department of Treasury

Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Transportation Cabinet

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Federal Emergency Management Agency
U.S. Department of Transportation*
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Federal Highway Administration*
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
- Federal Transit Administration
- National Highway Traffic & Safety Administration
(*Includes ARRA & Federal Lands Highway)
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development
U.S. Department of Agriculture

Economic Development Cabinet

U.S. Small Business Administration
U.S. Department of Treasury

Finance & Administration Cabinet

U.S. Department of Treasury

Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority

U.S. Department of Education
U.S. Department of Justice
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Commonwealth Office of Technology

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Department of Revenue

U.S. Department of Transportation
U.S. Department of Treasury

Tourism, Arts & Heritage Cabinet

State Fiscal Recovery Fund for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) (CFDA 21.U04)

Kentucky Heritage Council

Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) Grants Program as authorized by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 470)

Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number: 15.904

STATE AGENCIES' FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES 2026/2027

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Kentucky Historical Society	National Historical Publications and Research Commission (NHPRC) (CFDA 89.003)
Kentucky State Parks	Federal Emergency Management Agency (DR4804 & DR4808)
Kentucky Humanities Council	National Endowment for Humanities (NEH) Grant # SO-233935-22 CFDA# 45.129 Institute of Museum and Library Services. Project Title: Prime Time Family Reading Time CFDA #45.310
Kentucky Horse Park	Institute of Museum and Library Services - Save America's Treasures
Kentucky Arts Council	National Endowment for the Arts Basic State Grant for Administrative & Programmatic Uses CFDA3 45.025 942671-61-25

Education and Labor Cabinet

Department of Education	U.S. Department of Education U.S. Department of Health & Human Services U.S. Department of Agriculture U.S. Department of Labor
Kentucky Dept. for Libraries & Archives	Institute for Museum & Library Services National Archives and Records Administration National Historical Publications and Records Commission
Department of Workforce Development	U.S. Department of Labor
Office of Adult Education	U.S. Department of Education
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation	U.S. Department of Education - RSA U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Office of Industry and Apprenticeship Services	U.S. Department of Labor
Office of the Secretary (includes KYSTATS)	U.S. Department of Education U.S. Department of Labor U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Kentucky Environmental Education Council	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Corporation for National and Community Service
Early Childhood Advisory Council	U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Office of Unemployment Insurance	U.S. Department of Labor

STATE AGENCIES' FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES 2026/2027

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Career Development Office

U.S. Department of Labor

Department for Workplace Standards – OSH

U.S. Department of Labor

Department for Disability Determination Services

U.S. Social Security Administration

Energy & Environment Cabinet

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Department of Interior

U.S. Department of Energy

U.S. Department of Defense

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Transportation

U.S. Department of Labor

Public Protection Cabinet

U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council
Appraisal Subcommittee

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Cabinet for Health and Family Services

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

U.S. Department of Energy

U.S. Department of Education

Corporation for National and Community Service

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Department of Labor

U.S. Social Security Administration

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Treasury

Justice and Public Safety Cabinet

Office of the Secretary

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Treasury

Department of Corrections

U.S. Department of Education

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Treasury

Department of Public Advocacy

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

U.S. Department of Education

U.S. Social Security Administration

U.S. Department of Justice

Department of Juvenile Justice

U.S. Department of Justice

Kentucky State Police

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Transportation

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

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Department of Fish and Wildlife

U.S. Executive Office of the President
- Office of National Drug Control Policy
U.S. Department of Treasury

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Defense