

 <b>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill</b>	<b>Blue   Bill # SBP 20</b>						
	<b>Referred to Committee: Senate 2</b>						
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1                   An act to increase the scope of the Duty to Warn provision of KRS202a

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3                   **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**

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5 Section I: The Duty to Warn provision is defined as a health professional's obligation to breach patient  
6 confidentiality to warn third parties of the danger of their being assaulted or of contracting a serious  
7 infection. KRS202a only applies to mental health cases in which there is an intended target.

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9 Section II: This act will extend the scope of the Duty to Warn provision of KRS202a to allow protection of  
10 physicians/therapists regarding doctor-patient confidentiality to all mental health patients suspected of  
11 potential acts of violence without a clear intended target, as opposed to the current Duty to Warn provision,  
12 which only requires action if there is an intended target.

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14 Section III: A patient must exhibit one or more of the following behaviors before the physician or therapist  
15 can report to law enforcement. Potential Acts of violence without a clear intended target include the  
16 following and must occur while the patient is in therapy. It does not pertain to past offenses.

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18 a. Premature discontinuation of prescribed medicine without consent from a physician.  
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20 b. Any behavior indicating imminent acts of violence at the physician/therapist's discretion.  
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22 c. Sudden discontinuation of treatment by Physician/Therapist without a formal release from  
23 physician/therapist  
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25 Section IV: A physician/therapist will report these potential acts of violence without an intended target to a  
26 designated representative of the local law enforcement. A second mental health physician would be  
27 necessary to confirm the suspicion of the original physician in order for law enforcement to consider issuing  
28 a "mental health warrant".  
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30 Section V: This law will go into effect 1 year after passage.