

## **Standards for the Kentucky Law Enforcement Phlebotomy Program** revised 7/2/2025

1. All blood draws will strictly adhere to Ky Law Enforcement Phlebotomy Program policies.
2. Law enforcement phlebotomists successfully completing the Kentucky Healthcare Law Enforcement Phlebotomy program and the National Certified Phlebotomy Technician Exam will be recognized as qualified for drawing blood samples for legal purposes.
3. Law enforcement phlebotomists will be allowed to complete blood draws on all impaired driving arrestees over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, regardless of the arresting officer.
4. Law enforcement phlebotomists will make every effort to complete the evidentiary blood kit paperwork and seal and package the completed blood kit in the subject's presence.
5. Law enforcement phlebotomists shall make every effort to complete the blood draw in a controlled setting, minimizing the chance of discomfort and injury. A draw should only occur if the subject is in a safe and secure position, and the law enforcement phlebotomist is comfortable with the setting.
6. Law enforcement phlebotomists should consider having the draw witnessed by another officer or supervisor if possible.
7. Law enforcement phlebotomists should not attempt to draw blood from an individual more than 2 times.
8. Law enforcement phlebotomists shall not force a blood draw on a subject unless the Law enforcement phlebotomist's agency has implemented a policy permitting the reasonable use of force pursuant to KRS Chapter 503 and all other applicable law.
9. Law enforcement phlebotomists shall use evidentiary blood kits supplied by the Kentucky State Police Forensic Lab. Ancillary equipment required for a successful blood draw may be used as needed and required. Ancillary equipment will be provided by the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety.
10. State recertification requirements must be completed annually. The LEP shall attend yearly training to remain certified, beginning the year after his or her initial certification. The recertification class will be provided by Kentucky Healthcare Training. Law enforcement phlebotomists who do not successfully complete annual recertification training will be removed from the program, and their authorization to complete blood draws as a law enforcement phlebotomist will be voided.
11. National recertification requirements must be completed every two (2) years. Law enforcement phlebotomists who do not successfully complete national recertification will be removed from the program, and their authorization to complete blood draws as a law enforcement phlebotomist will be voided.

12. Law enforcement phlebotomists shall maintain a log of all blood draws made.  
Copies of laws shall be maintained by the law enforcement phlebotomist. Law enforcement phlebotomists shall submit a completed log of draws to the LEPP coordinator monthly.
13. All law enforcement officers shall complete at least six (6) blood draws each year to remain certified as a law enforcement phlebotomist.