

PTSD FUNDING & REIMBURSEMENT

Firefighters have long been about helping others; these days more than ever, that includes fellow firefighters. The Kentucky Fire Commission is proud to offer a policy for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or post-traumatic stress injury treatment reimbursement.



What is the PTSD Funding & Reimbursement Program?

This program establishes funds for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses that a firefighter has incurred after being diagnosed with PTSD through firefighting related experiences.

Who is eligible to receive reimbursement under this program?

Current volunteer and full-time paid firefighters, or persons who were a volunteer or full-time paid firefighter in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the previous five years that meet eligibility requirements as set forth in the policy, and have submitted a completed eligibility packet to the Fire Commission office.

I was treated for PTSD 5 years ago. Can I receive reimbursement for this?

Reimbursements under this policy are only covered for PTSD or post-traumatic stress injury care or treatment that was provided on or after July 1, 2020. Once all eligibility requirements of this policy have been satisfied, there is a maximum limit of 12 months for reimbursement benefits.

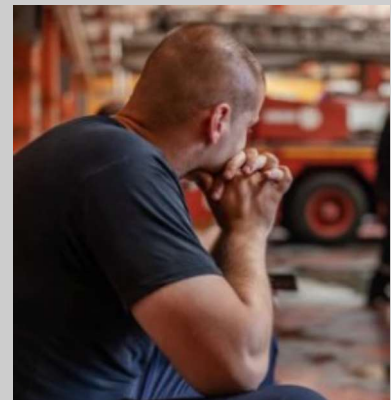
Is there a maximum amount of reimbursement?

Each qualifying individual may receive reimbursement benefits up to \$50,000. Requests for additional benefits may be submitted to the Kentucky Fire Commission for review.

No one should suffer with PTSD on their own. If you are a firefighter struggling with this, or you know one who is, please seek help from a licensed mental health professional.

What reimbursements are covered?

- Initial diagnosis
- Counseling/Therapy
- Medication
- Mental health facility expenses
- In-patient treatment
- Out-patient treatment



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