LINE-OF-DUTY STRESS INJURY 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 line-of-duty stress injury treatment reimbursement.



What is the Line-of-Duty Stress Injury Funding & Reimbursement Program?

This program establishes funds for reimbursement of out-ofpocket expenses that a firefighter has incurred after being diagnosed with line-of-duty stress injuries 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 that meet eligibility requirements as set forth in the policy, and have submitted a completed eligibility packet to the Fire Commission office.

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.

Expense Reimbursement Timeline

Expenses must be submitted to the Fire Commission for reimbursement within a 30 day period following payment to the provider by the eligible firefighter. Due to the end of the fiscal year, June reimbursements <u>must</u> be submitted no later than the first week of July in any given year.

No one should suffer with line-of-duty stress injuries 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 or therapy
- Medication
- Mental health facility expenses
- In-patient treatment
- Out-patient treatment



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