

**Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)****Department of Job and Family Services**

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Rule Number

**AMENDMENT**

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

**Visiting and communications.****RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **Yes**

2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **No**

3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**

4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **5103.03**

5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **5103.02, 5103.03**

6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

This rule is being proposed for amendment as a result of the five year review.

7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

This rule provides guidance regarding visiting and communications in a foster care residential facility. Paragraph (A) was amended to clarify that the residential facility shall develop procedures to ensure that visitation and communication

arrangements between the child and family or friends are consistent with the case plan and they are documented in the service plan. Language was added to paragraph (B) to prohibit a residential facility from opening or reading a child's mail unless specified in the child's case plan or service plan and approved by the child's custodian. This paragraph allows for the facility to require a child to open mail in front of a staff person if contraband is suspected. Language was added to paragraph (E) to require the facility to allow a child to confer with his or her caseworker, custodial agency worker, or probation officer, in addition to his or her attorney and guardian ad litem, when requested. Language was added to paragraph (G) that requires the facility to ensure that a child who has access to electronic media, including internet, cell phones, and email, within or outside of the facility while under the supervision of agency staff, adheres to the agency's policy regarding communications.

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

This rule incorporates one or more references to another rule or rules of the Ohio Administrative Code. This question is not applicable to any incorporation by reference to another OAC rule because such reference is exempt from compliance with ORC 121.71 to 121.74 pursuant to ORC 121.76(A)(3).

9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

Not Applicable

10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

*Not Applicable.*

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so:

*Not Applicable.*

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: 8/9/2010

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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This amended rule will not impact the agency's projected budget during the current biennium.

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

Not applicable

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

No new costs.

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**