

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 5160-44-26

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Nursing facility-based level of care home and community-based services programs: community transition services.

Agency Name: Ohio Department of Medicaid

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I. Rule Summary

1. Is this a five year rule review? No
 - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 2/1/2025
2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119.03
4. What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 5166.02
5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 5162.03, 5166.02, 5164.02
6. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

This rule is being proposed for amendment to update policy related to the administration of Ohio's nursing facility level of care HCBS waiver programs, and to make permanent during the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency those emergency rule changes resulting from Executive Order 2020-23D.

7. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

This rule sets forth the definitions of services, provider requirements and specifications for the delivery of community transition services. Paragraph (F)(6) is proposed for amendment to reflect that if individual signature requirement cannot be met at the time of service, the provider may accept an electronic signature or standard signature via regular mail from the individual, or otherwise obtain signature no later than at the next face-to-face visit with the individual. Paragraph (G) is added to reflect that ODM and ODA are authorized to deem any provider approved by ODM or certified by ODA or the Ohio department of developmental disabilities (DODD) to provide waiver services as having satisfied the requirements for approval by ODM or certification by ODA for the same or similar services.

- 8. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? Yes**
- 9. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.75, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.**

This rule incorporates one or more references to another rule or rules of the Administrative Code. Such reference is exempt from compliance with incorporation by reference requirements pursuant to ORC 121.75(A).

- 10. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.**

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

- 11. Please estimate the increase / decrease in the agency's revenues or expenditures in the current biennium due to this rule.**

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

\$0.00

Not applicable.

- 12. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?**

Costs of compliance with this rule are those associated with the process of becoming an ODM-approved or ODA-certified community transition service provider. Providers shall be either:

An ODM-approved or ODA-certified waiver agency provider;
An ODM-approved or ODA-certified non-agency provider;
A transition coordination service provider under contract with ODM that is also an ODM-approved or ODA-certified waiver agency or non-agency provider; or
An ODA-certified assisted living waiver service provider.

13. **Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No**
14. **Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No**
15. **If the rule imposes a regulation fee, explain how the fee directly relates to your agency's cost in regulating the individual or business.**

Not applicable.

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

16. **Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? Yes**
17. **Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes**
 - A. **Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? Yes**

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 - B. **Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No**
 - C. **Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? No**
 - D. **Is it likely that the rule will directly reduce the revenue or increase the expenses of the lines of business of which it will apply or applies? No**

IV. Regulatory Restrictions (This section only applies to agencies indicated in R.C. 121.95 (A))

18. Are you adding a new or removing an existing regulatory restriction as defined in R.C. 121.95? No

A. How many new regulatory restrictions do you propose adding?

Not Applicable

B. How many existing regulatory restrictions do you propose removing?

Not Applicable