

Department of Aging

John Kasich, Governor Bonnie Kantor-Burman, Director

NOTICE

In 2011, H. B. No. 153 (129th General Assembly) repealed a requirement for residents of assisted living facilities to have lived in the facility for six months before they could become eligible for the **Medicaid-Funded Component of the Assisted Living Program**. However, H. B. No. 153 did not remove a 6-month residency as a criterion for the enrollment process into the same program, which has created some confusion.

Recently, H. B. No. 487 (129th General Assembly) amended section 5111.894 of the Revised Code to eliminate the confusing 6-month residency language from the enrollment process.

To implement H. B. No. 487's amendment to section 5111.894 of the Revised Code, ODA is now proposing to amend rule 173-38-03 of the Administrative Code to eliminate the defunct 6-month residency language from the rule. ODA proposes to adopt the amendment to the rule on the same day that H. B. No. 487's amendment takes effect.

ODA will conduct a public hearing to obtain comments concerning ODA's proposed amendment to rule 173-38-03 the Administrative Code. ODA will conduct the hearing on **July 16, 2012** at 50 W. Broad Street, 10th floor; **Conference Room 10A**; Columbus, OH 43215. The hearing will begin at **11:30AM** and will continue until all parties in attendance at that time have had an opportunity to provide comment.

ODA will consolidate this public hearing with other public hearings on the same day to reduce the state's administrative expenses and to reduce the general public's costs associated with traveling to Columbus to participate in public hearings.

Any person may direct written comments or requests for information concerning the rule proposals to Tom Simmons, ODA's rules manager, on or before the date of the hearing by writing to <u>rules@age.state.oh.us</u>.

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