

DATE: 04/16/2019 11:58 AM *Empowering Elders. Strengthening Communities.*

Mike DeWine, Governor Ursel J. McElroy, Director

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ODA Provider Certification: One Set of Standards for 3 Services

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) proposes to incrementally adopt one chapter of rules (Chapter 5160-44) that will become the single set of service standards for providers serving individuals through all Medicaid waiver programs operated by the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) and ODM. This is part of ODM's larger strategy to develop a uniform set of rules to benefit providers who serve individuals enrolled in multiple Medicaid waiver programs.

To this end, ODM proposes to adopt new service standards for the following three services: home maintenance and chores (5160-44-12), community integration (5160-44-14), and community transition (5160-44-26). In kind, ODA proposes for its rules on ODA-certified providers of those services to require compliance with ODM's service standards instead of continuing to state the standards in ODA's rules.

This public hearing regards ODA's corresponding rules (173-39-02.3, 173-39-02.5, 173-39-02.9, 173-39-02.15, and 173-39-02.17), which will require providers to meet the standards in 5160-44-12, 5160-44-14, and 5160-44-26. For more information, please review the business impact analysis.

ODA will conduct a public hearing on these rules at the following place and time:

Ohio Department of Aging 246 N. High St., 1st Floor Training Room (1149) Columbus, OH 43215

May 21, 2019 1:00PM

Any person may participate in the public hearing. To submit written testimony to ODA on ODA's rules, in lieu of presenting written testimony in person, please email the written testimony to <u>rules@age.ohio.gov</u> before the day of the hearing.

Please submit written testimony on ODM's proposed new rules to ODM.

Participants may find parking at the parking meters on E. Chestnut St., which accept debit and credit cards, the parking garage at 44 E. Chestnut St., or other parking meters or garages in the area.

 246 N. High St. / 1st Fl.
 Main: (614) 466-5500

 Columbus, OH 43215-2406 U.S.A.
 Fax: (614) 466-5741

 www.aging.ohio.gov
 TTY: Dial 711