## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

THE REHABILITATION SERVICES COMMISSION (RSC) OF THE STATE OF OHIO WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AT 10:00 A.M. TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2009, IN RSC'S SCIOTO CONFERENCE ROOM AT 400 EAST CAMPUS VIEW BLVD., COLUMBUS, OHIO. THIS SITE IS ACCESSIBLE. INTERPRETER SERVICE FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE HEARING IMPAIRMENTS AND GUIDE SERVICES WITHIN THE BUILDING WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PERSONS ATTENDING THE HEARING, IF SUCH SERVICES ARE REQUESTED BY CONTACTING DEBBIE STEVENS AT 1-(800)-282-4536, EXTENSION 1289 VOICE/TTY OR IN COLUMBUS AT (614) 438-1289 NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2008.

THIS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCES RSC'S INTENTION TO PROPOSE AMEND FIVE EXISTING RULES AND FILE AS NEW TWO EXISTING RULES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 119. OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE. THE REASONS FOR FILING THE PROPOSED RULES ARE TO UPDATE CASEWORK PROCEDURES FOR ELIGIBILITY, ASSESSMENT, PLANNING AND PROVISION OF SERVICES; UPDATE RULE REFERENCES; COMBINE RULE TEXT FOR CLARITY; AND UPDATE THE PROCEDURE FOR CONSUMER APPEALS.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS HEARING IS TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ANY INTERESTED PERSON TO GIVE TESTIMONY FOR OR AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RULES. TESTIMONY FOR THE PROPOSALS OR AGAINST THEM MAY BE MADE EITHER AT THE PUBLIC HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RULES WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING, BUT MAY BE ADDRESSED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING.

A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULES AND A COPY OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW, FREE OF CHARGE, AT THE RSC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE. A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULES AND A COPY OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE MAY BE OBTAINED BY WRITTEN REQUEST FROM: THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE OF THE REHABILITATION SERVICES COMMISSION, 400 EAST CAMPUS VIEW BLVD., COLUMBUS, OHIO 43235-4604. A FEE WILL BE CHARGED BUT WILL NOT EXCEED THE COST OF COPYING AND MAILING.

THE HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, CHAPTER 119. OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

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