NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, May 8, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Basement Conference Room A/B

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

35 E. Chestnut Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

In accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code (R.C.) and by authority of R.C. 3702.11 and 3702.13, the Director of the Ohio Department of Health (Director) or his designee will conduct a public hearing on May 8, 2012 at the place and time listed above concerning the proposal to amend the following Health Care Services rules: 3701-84-01, 3701-84-02, 3701-84-06, 3701-84-08 to 3701-84-12, 3701-84-14, 3701-84-16 to 3701-84-18, 3701-84-20, 3701-84-24 to 3701-84-27, 3701-84-30, 3701-84-31, 3701-84-34, 3701-84-36, 3701-84-39, 3701-84-75 to 3701-84-61, 3701-84-81 to 3701-84-83, and 3701-84-85.

The proposed revisions will: 1) remove exception language from the existing bone marrow transplantation service protocol requirements; 2) remove the requirement for an external committee review of exceptions to the bone marrow transplantation protocol; 3) add a desk audit fee of \$250 to the inspection fees that may be charged to an HCS; 4) increase the annual HCS inspection fee to \$1750 as authorized in section 3702.31 of the Revised Code; 5) provide updated access information for clinical consensus and guidelines from the American College of Cardiology; and 6) correct minor grammatical, citation, and formatting errors throughout the rules to comply with Legislative Service Commission drafting requirements. Furthermore, as a result of the enactment of the new rules pertaining to the licensure of maternity units, newborn care nurseries, and maternity homes set forth in Chapter 3701-7 of the Ohio Administrative Code, all references to obstetric and newborn services are being removed throughout the HCS rules.

At the hearing, people affected by the proposed actions may appear and be heard in person, by an attorney or both; may present their positions, arguments, or contentions orally or in writing; may offer witnesses; and may present evidence tending to show that the proposed rule, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

To aid in getting visitors through building security, both persons intending to testify at the hearing and those simply intending to observe are encouraged to pre-register by writing the Office of the General Counsel [Rules], Ohio Department of Health, 246 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, by telephoning (614) 466-4882, or by sending an e-mail to odhrules@odh.ohio.gov.

Copies of the proposed rule are available on the Register of Ohio website. A link to this site may be found at http://www.odh.ohio.gov/rules/pending.aspx or from the Office of the General Counsel, Ohio Department of Health. Please FAX [(614) 564-2509], mail, or e-mail any written comments by 10:00 a.m. on May 8, 2012.

April 5, 2012