

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

DATE: Tuesday, June 26, 2012  
TIME: 3:00 P.M.  
PLACE: 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room  
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
246 North High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

In accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code (R.C.) and by authority of R.C. 3721.11, the Director of the Ohio Department of Health (Director) or his designee will conduct a public hearing on June 26, 2012 at the place and time listed above concerning the proposal to adopt new and rescind current rule 3701-61-01; to amend rules 3701-61-02 and 3701-61-04; and to propose new rule 3701-61-08. These rules pertain to Resident Transfer and Discharge. The proposed changes are a result of the work of the Unified Long-Term Care System Advisory Workgroup, Nursing Facility Capacity Subcommittee lead by Governor Kasich's Office of Health Transformation.

Specifically, proposed changes to rule 3701-61-01 will add definitions for the terms "distinct part," "dually certified part," "resident transfer," and "room change." Amendments to rules 3701-61-02 and 3701-61-04 correct citations to rule 3701-61-03 which was amended separately in 2011 as a result of HB 153. Finally, new rule 3701-61-08 is proposed to set forth notice requirements when a facility proposes a room change, including changes from a room or area with specialized medical equipment.

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](mailto:odhrules@odh.ohio.gov).

Copies of the proposed rules 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 June 26, 2012.

May 21, 2012