

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Director of the Ohio Department of Health has proposed to adopt new rules 3701-8-01 to 3701-8-09 of the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). These rules set the purpose and structure of the Help Me Grow Program, including program components and the allocation and use of funds. They were mandated by Amended Substitute House Bill 95 of the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

In accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code, the Director, or his designee, will conduct a public hearing on the proposed action on Thursday, June 30, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. The hearing will be conducted in the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Ohio Department of Health, 246 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio.

At the hearing, persons affected by the proposed action may appear and be heard in person, by their 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 rules, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful. Persons intending to testify are encouraged to preregister by writing Kaye Norton, Office of the General Counsel, Ohio Department of Health, P.O. Box 118, Columbus, Ohio 43216-0118, or by telephoning (614) 466-4882.

Copies of the proposed rules are available from Ms. Norton at the above address or on the Department of Health's web site at [www.odh.ohio.gov](http://www.odh.ohio.gov). Written comments also may be submitted to Ms. Norton at the above address or FAX to (614) 728-7813 on or before June 30, 2005.

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