

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: February 2, 2017

TIME: 10:00am

LOCATION: Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower

Pursuant to Sections 5107.05, 5101.18, and 5101.80 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to amend the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:1-23-10, entitled Ohio Works First: Assistance Group Determination. This rule is being proposed for amendment as a result of the five year rule review process. This rule describes the policy for determining the assistance group for the Ohio Works First program. Minor language changes were made for clarity; however, no substantive changes were made.

Rule 5101:1-23-20, entitled Ohio Works First: Income and Eligibility. This rule describes the policy for determining the gross earned income, gross unearned income, income availability and eligibility calculation process for the Ohio Works First program. Minor language changes were made for clarity. In addition, language in paragraph (E)(6) was revised to explain that the county agencies may project employment wages and hours from client statement when employment is new and no pay verifications have been provided by the employer.

Rule 5101:1-2-50, entitled Ohio Works Now. This rule is being proposed for amendment as a result of the five year rule review process. This rule describes the Ohio Works Now eligibility requirements, the methods of issuance, the amount and duration determination process and the county agency's responsibility in the case of erroneous payments or fraud. Minor language changes were made for clarity; however, no substantive changes were made.

A copy of the proposed rules are available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Either written or oral testimony will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on the rules should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal and Acquisition Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298 or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.