

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
**OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES**

**DATE:** 2/17/21  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Teleconference

**Due to COVID-19 precautions this meeting will be held by teleconference. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please call in at the above date and time to 1-614-721-2972 Then enter the meeting I.D. which is 381 538 017#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to rules@jfs.ohio.gov.**

Pursuant to sections 5101.18, 5107.05, 5107.60 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 consider the adoption, amendment, or rescission of the rule or rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:1-3-01, entitled Ohio Works First: Ohio Works First: Federal Work Participation Rates, is being amended to implement provisions adopted under Amended Substitute Senate Bill 310 of the 133rd General Assembly who authorized the creation of the Kinship Support program (KSP), which will provide financial payments to kinship caregivers who receive placement of a child by a public children services agency (PCSA) and do not have a foster home certification. The KSP program requirements will be promulgated under rule 5101:2-42-18.2 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This rule describes the federal work participation requirements and activities for work eligible individuals. The changes to the rule include: paragraph (C)(1) was updated to include that a two-parent assistance group is deemed to include a child when the only minor child is in receipt of KSP; paragraph (D)(5) was added to include that an all-family assistance group includes two-parent assistance groups when the only minor child is in receipt of KSP.

Rule 5101:1-23-10 entitled Ohio Works First: Assistance Group Determination is being amended to implement provisions adopted under Amended Substitute Senate Bill 310 of the 133rd General Assembly who authorized the creation of the Kinship Support program (KSP), which will provide financial payments to kinship caregivers who receive placement of a child by a public children services agency (PCSA) and do not have a foster home certification. The KSP program requirements will be promulgated under rule 5101:2-42-18.2 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This rule describes the process for determining assistance group composition for Ohio Works First (OWF). The change to the rule includes: paragraph (F)(9) was added to state parents or children for whom KSP payments are made are excluded from the OWF assistance group.

Rule 5101:1-23-20.1 entitled Ohio Works First: Excluded Income is being amended due to a five year rule review and to implement provisions adopted under Amended Substitute Senate Bill 310 of the 133rd General Assembly who authorized the creation of the Kinship Support program (KSP), which will provide financial payments to kinship caregivers who receive placement of a child by a public children services agency (PCSA) and do not have a foster

home certification. The KSP program requirements will be promulgated under rule 5101:2-42-18.2 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This rule describes the types of excluded income for the Ohio Works First program. The changes to the rule include: the term "food assistance" was replaced with "supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP)"; date references have been updated to align with federal rule; added 45 C.F.R. 233.53 to paragraph (B)(13) to align with federal rule; removed Aroostook Band of Micmac's in paragraph (B)(14) as this has been omitted from federal rule; paragraph (B)(19) was added to state KSP payments are excluded as income for OWF; and minor language changes were made for clarity.

A copy of the proposed rule(s) is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule(s) at the address listed below. The rule(s) is also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A public hearing on the proposed rule(s) 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 rule(s) or comments on the rule(s) should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal and Acquisition Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at [rules@jfs.ohio.gov](mailto:rules@jfs.ohio.gov).