PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 7/6/11 TIME: 10:00 am

LOCATION: Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower

30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to sections 2151.86, 5103.03, 5103.0316, 5153.16 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 amendment of the rules identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule <u>5101:2-47-09</u> "Administrative Procedure: Case Record Requirements for Foster Care Maintenance," describes the case record requirements for Title IV-E foster care maintenance. The list of documents in paragraph (B)(2) and (B)(3) were revised to add clarity. Additional changes to the rule include deleting paragraph (B)(5), the citizenship documentation requirements, which are referenced in rule 5101:2-33-29 of the Administrative Code. Language was also added to paragraph (C) regarding difficulty of care payments, repayment of ineligible reimbursements and documentation of reimbursements for clothing, graduation and personal incidentals.

OAC <u>5101:2-47-12</u> "Foster care maintenance: Initial determination of program eligibility and reimbursability," This rule outlines the requirements for initial eligibility determination for foster care maintenance. Effective April 1, 2010, a redetermination of ADC relatedness is not required. OAC 5101:2-47-21 will be rescinded and some of that language has been added to explain the age criteria when children are no longer program eligible.

OAC <u>5101:2-47-16</u> "Foster care maintenance program reimbursability: Reimbursable placement settings," This rule outlines the reimbursable placements for foster care maintenance. New language has been added to allow for reimbursement for alternative care providers that are licensed, certified or approved. Also if the alternative care placement is 14 days or less and the child returns to the original placement this alternative care will not count as a placement change for the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis Reporting System (AFCARS). Language has been added to allow for reimbursement when a child is absent without leave (AWOL), in the hospital, on a trial home visit, camp or vacation, if the absence does not exceed 14 days and the child returns to the same placement.

OAC <u>5101:2-47-21</u> "Foster Care Maintenance (FCM): Redetermination of Program Eligibility and Reimbursability," is being rescinded. Effective April 1, 2010 annual redetermination for Aid for Dependent Children (ADC) is no longer federally required.

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OAC <u>5101:2-47-26.2</u> "Cost Report 'Agreed Upon Procedures' Engagement," describes the requirements for public and private agencies to complete a cost report annually. The rule revision date of the JFS 02911-I "Single Cost Report Instructions" was changed from July 2009 to July 2011. Paragraph (C) was revised to separate the requirements. Sentence two and three were moved to the new paragraph (D). Sentence four was moved to paragraph (E) and the last sentence and subparagraph were moved to paragraph (F).

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules 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 for 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 Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.