

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: July 6, 2004
TIME: 9:30 A.M.
LOCATION: Rhodes Office Tower
30 East Broad Street, Room 1823.
Columbus, Ohio

Pursuant to Sections 5103.03, 5153.16, 5153.163 and Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amendment, adoption and rescission of rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:2-39-05 entitled Reasonable efforts is being proposed for amendment. This rule sets forth the reasonable efforts that shall be made by PCSAs and PCPAs in providing support and services to children and families in their own homes or to children and families when children are removed from their own homes.

Rule 5101:2-39-06 entitled Preplacement preventive services, reunification services and life skills services is being proposed for amendment. Language in the rule has been updated to replace "Ohio Early Start" with "Help Me Grow", and to remove family preservation services from the rule.

Rule 5101:2-39-11 entitled Required contents of a private child placing agency (PCPA) case plan document is being proposed for amendment. This rule sets forth the contents of case plans for children receiving services from a PCPA. The rule has been clarified and has been made consistent with rule 5101:2-42-05.

Rule 5101:2-42-05 entitled Selection of a placement setting is being proposed for rescission because its contents are to be incorporated into new rule 5101:2-42-05 which is also entitled Selection of a placement setting.

Rule 5101:2-42-05 entitled Selection of a placement setting is being proposed for adoption to set forth the requirements for selecting a the substitute care placement setting for children who are in the custody of public children services agencies or private child placing agencies. This rule is replacing a rule of the same number.

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by them at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ols/pubHearings/index.stm>. 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 verbal 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 and comments should be submitted by mail to 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 legal@odjfs.state.oh.us.