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

DATE: 6/23/2021

TIME: 10:00am

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 date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D. which is 789 541 115#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to: <u>rule@jfs.ohio.gov</u>

Pursuant to Section 2151.412, 2151.421, 5103.03, 5153.166 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 of rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. This letter transmits amendments to existing Ohio Administrative Code rule 5101:2-1-01 to address the implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) of 2018 and to align with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) amendments and current practice and procedure language in Chapters 5101:2-5, 5101:2-7, 5101:2-9, 5101:2-33, 5101:2-36, 5101:2-37, 5151:2-38, 5101:2-39, 5101:2-40, 5101:2-42, 5101:2-44, 5101:2-45, 5101:2-47, 5101:2-48, 5101:2-49, 5101:2-50, 5101:2-52 and 5101:2-53 of the Administrative Code. The amendments will be effective XXX 2021.

The following is a brief explanation of the changes:

OAC rule <u>5101:2-1-01</u> entitled "<u>Children Services Definitions of Terms</u>" identifies terminology and definitions utilized in Ohio's child welfare system. The following terms have been added, defined and/or amended: "Adoption disruption, Adoption dissolution, Aftercare services, Aftercare support, Applicant, Approved adoptive home, Approved kinship home, At risk of institutionalization, Child, Criminal records check, Cultural competency, Disabled infant, Employee, Habilitation, Handicapped person, Intern, Interstate placement, Kin or Kinship caregiver, Mentally ill person subject to hospitalization by court order, Person responsible for a child's care in out-of-home care, Physically impaired, Plan for practice advancement, Preadoptive family, Protective day-care services, Putative father, Quality assurance review, Resource Caregiver, Resource Family, State institution, Subcontractor, Transfer, Treatment foster home, Treatment team leader, Volunteer and Waiting child" to the definitions rule. The terms "Final Report, Hold status, Ohio adoption photo listing (OAPL), OAPL matches and Quality improvement plan" have been stricken from the rule due to the termination of the OAPL and other obsolete terms no longer used in Ohio Administrative Code rules.

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

<u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/</u>. 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.

Request 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 Acquisitions Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215, by fax at 614-752-8289, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.