

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

**DATE:** March 14, 2024  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Teleconference

This meeting will be held by teleconference and in person. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please attend the meeting site location, or call in at the date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D # which is 758 059 153#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to: [rules@jfs.ohio.gov](mailto:rules@jfs.ohio.gov).

Pursuant to section 5101.141 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 as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. All rules have been amended to remove regulatory restrictive words as described in SB 9 of the 135<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. These rules are being filed as part of the five-year rule review process.

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) section 106.03, each state agency is required to review its rules a minimum of once every five years. The intent of the law is to ensure that rules are clearly written and that program requirements are accurate, up-to-date, and clearly expressed. To the extent possible, unnecessary paperwork will be eliminated, and local agencies will be given increased flexibility. The purpose of a rule review is to determine whether a rule should be continued without amendment, be amended, or be rescinded, taking into consideration each rule's scope and purpose.

OAC rule 5101:2-49-06 entitled "**Title IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Agreement and Duration: Provision for Financial Support and Services**" outlines the criteria of the AA agreement and the duration of the agreement. Revision dates were stricken from the rule.

OAC rule 5101:2-49-07 entitled "**Initial Title IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Agreement Only with No Payment**" outlines conditions and procedures for completing an AA agreement with no payment option. Revision dates were stricken from the rule.

OAC rule 5101:2-49-08 entitled "**Title IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Monthly Payment**" outlines the procedures for determining when a monthly AA payment shall begin. Revision dates were stricken from the rule.

OAC rule 5101:2-49-19 entitled "**Title XIX Medicaid Coverage for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Eligible Children (COBRA)**" outlines the procedures to follow for provisions of Title XIX medical coverage for children eligible for Title IV-E adoption assistance. Revision dates were stricken from the rule.

OAC rule 5101:2-49-23 entitled "**Title IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Intercounty and Interstate Case Management Responsibility**" outlines the requirements for intercounty and interstate adoption assistance case management. Revision dates were stricken from the rule.

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).