LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Pursuant to sections 5101.11, 5103.03, 5101.141, 5153.16 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 governing children services, as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

The following rules are being proposed for amendment in order to comply with the provisions of the five year rule review process:

Rule 5101:2-47-02 entitled "Administrative overview: Foster care maintenance" gives an overview of the title IV-E agency responsibilities and eligibility requirements.

Rule 5101:2-47-05 entitled "Administrative procedure: Title XIX medical coverage for title IV-E foster care maintenance recipients (COBRA)" outlines agency requirements concerning medical coverage for children who move to or from another state.

Rule 5101:2-47-08 entitled "Administrative procedure: Required referrals; title IV-D; income maintenance; healthcheck; third party insurance; and SSI" outlines the required referrals a title IV-E agency shall make for all children.

Rule 5101:2-47-09 entitled "Administrative procedure: Case record requirements for foster care maintenance" identifies the title IV-E program eligibility and reimbursability documentation requirements.

Rule 5101:2-47-11 entitled "Administrative procedure: Reimbursement for foster care maintenance costs for children's residential centers, group homes, maternity homes, residential parenting facilities, and purchased foster care homes" identifies reimbursement guidelines for Title IV-E public agencies.

Rule 5101:2-47-19 entitled "Foster care maintenance program reimbursability: Clothing payments and graduation expenses" identifies the requirements for clothing and graduation expense payments.

Rule 5101:2-47-24 entitled "Foster care maintenance reimbursement ceiling amounts: Title IV-E reimbursement for residential child care and purchased foster care homes" identifies the procedures for reimbursement for residential child care and purchased foster care homes.

Rule 5101:2-47-25 entitled "Foster care maintenance reimbursement ceiling amounts: Allowable costs for use in completing the JFS 02909 'Residential Child Care Facility Cost Report' and the JFS 02910 'Purchased Foster Care Cost Report'" identifies allowable costs for title IV-E cost reports.

Rule 5101:2-47-26 entitled "Foster care maintenance reimbursement ceiling amounts: Unallowable costs for use in completing the JFS 02909 'Residential Child Care Facility Cost Report' and the JFS 02910 'Purchased Foster Care Cost Report'" identifies unallowable costs for title IV-E cost reports.

Rule 5101:2-47-27 entitled "Foster care maintenance reimbursement ceiling amounts: Out-of-state residential care facilities" identifies reimbursement procedures for out of state residential care facilities.

The following rule is being proposed for rescission and a new rule created to replace the old rule as a result of the five year rule review process. Most of the previous rule requirements have been reorganized and transferred into the new rule. The rule also, clarifies the beginning period of ineligibility for instances where the reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan requirements are not met and reimbursability from the date of the court hearing.

Rule 5101:2-47-22 entitled "Foster care maintenance program reimbursability: reasonable efforts requirement" contains the reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan requirements.

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://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/legal.htm. A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on May 20th, 2003 at 1:00 P.M. until all testimony is heard in Room 1814, Rhodes Office Tower, 30 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Either written or verbal testimony on these rules will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than May 20th, 2003 will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on it 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 43266-0423," by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at "public_records@odjfs.state.oh.us."