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

DATE: 11/17/2009 TIME: 10:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower

30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5103.03, 5103.18 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.

Rule 5101:2-5-33, entitled "Foster caregiver preplacement and continuing training," and rule 5101:2-7-12, entitled "Site and safety requirements for a foster home, " are being proposed for amendment for clarity. Rule 5101:2-5-33 sets forth the training requirements an agency must follow in order to certify or recertify a foster caregiver. The changes to the rule clarifies when an agency must complete an individual needs assessment and continuing training plan. Rule 5101:2-7-12 sets forth safety guidelines for foster homes. The changes to the rule clarifies issues surrounding smoking in a foster home.

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 <a href="http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/">http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/</a>. 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 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 <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>.

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