

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

DATE: June 2, 2011
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad St.,
Room 3110B, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414

Pursuant to section 5111.873, and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, and 42 C.F.R. 447.205, the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amended rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:3-41-11, entitled **Home and community-based waiver services -payment for waiver services administered by the department of developmental disabilities.** This rule establishes the payment standards governing reimbursement for home and community-based services (HCBS) provided by certified waiver providers to individuals enrolled in a HCBS program as a component of the Medicaid program and as administered by the Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) in accordance with sections 5111.85 and 5111.873 of the Revised Code. This rule is being amended to establish the payment standards for four new home and community-based waiver services.

Rule 5101:3-40-01, entitled **Medicaid home and community-based services program individual options waiver.** This rule establishes the individual options waiver as a component of the Medicaid home and community-based services program pursuant to sections 5111.85 and 5111.87 of the Revised Code. This rule is being amended to add four new home and community-based waiver services.

The Department of Developmental Disabilities is proposing to add four new home and community-based services to the Individual Options waiver. The creation of the new services will allow more individuals access to beneficial programs that currently exist in Ohio. The services will allow for the use of technology to ensure an individual's health and safety in their residence and allow family members to have flexible alternatives. The DODD anticipates that the financial impact of these services will be minimal since the services will be used as an alternative to an existing waiver service. The Medicaid maximum rates for the proposed services will be established in rule 5101:3-41-11 of the Ohio Administrative Code and subject to the approval of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule(s) at the address listed below and at the county departments of job and family services. The rules are 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 rules or comments on the rules should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov. Comments received may be reviewed at this address.