

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: May 19, 2005
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: SOT, Room 1823, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215

Pursuant to section 5111.871 and Chapter 119, of the 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 rules 5101:3-32-02 , 5101:3-32-03, 5101:3-32-04, 5101:3-32-05, 5101:3-32-06, 5101:3-32-08, and 5101:3-1-06.4, and a public hearing upon the proposed adoption.

The rule revisions update the current rules to reflect the changes in the Choices Waiver from a demonstration waiver to a regular waiver program, give new geographic definitions consistent with the waiver, and make changes to some service definitions and maximum rates. The rules also update some acronyms and corrects some minor errors in the original rules.

5101:3-32-02 - Definitions for Choices Program, update acronyms, adds new definitions, and updates the geographic regions Choices is in place.

5101:3-32-03 – Eligibility for Enrollment for Choices, updates the geographic regions Choices is in place, removes exclusion from Hospice benefits and makes format changes.

5101:3-32-04 – Provider Conditions of Participation, updates acronyms and makes grammar and format changes.

5101:3-32-05 – Service Specifications, adds pest control as a service, and makes format changes.

5101:3-32-06 – Case Management, updates acronyms.

5101:3-32-08 Choices HCBS Waiver Rate Setting, adds pest control to the list of services, clarifies that rates cannot exceed billing maximums and makes format changes.

5101:3-1-06.4 – Home and Community-Based Service Waivers: Choices (Rates), updates the geographic regions Choices is in place and sets new billing maximums for some services.

The Department estimates that the proposed adoption of the rule listed above of the Ohio Administrative Code will not increase nor decrease the annual aggregate expenditures.

A copy of each proposed rule is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule at the address listed below. The rule is also available on the internet at

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

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 St, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at legal@odjfs.state.oh.us.