

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

DATE: July 18, 2005
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Room 3110 B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5111.02 and Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code and 42 CFR 447.205, the director of the 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: 3-1-60 entitled, Medicaid Reimbursement, contains the reimbursement provisions and fee schedule for the Medicaid DME program. The proposed changes in this rule would be the addition of current HCPCS codes as well as updating coverage and pricing methodology for various existing codes within the appendix of this rule. The proposed changes in this rule would decrease expenditures by approximately \$5,122,242 for the biennium in effect when this rule becomes effective.

Rule 5101: 3-10-20 entitled, Covered orthotic and prosthetic services and associated limitations, contains the reimbursement provisions and a comprehensive listing of covered devices within the appendix of this rule. The proposed changes in this rule would be primarily the addition of HCPCS codes which would cover the addition of digital and programmable hearing aid for children as well as the removal of non covered HCPCS codes from this document.

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules 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 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 Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at legal@odjfs.state.oh.us. Comments received may be reviewed at this address.