

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: February 16, 2006
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Room 2925, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5111.02 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 permanent amendment of the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. These rules were filed on an emergency bases on December 30, 2005.

Rule 5101:3-6-11 entitled "Covered services and materials not purchased under the vision volume purchase contract." is being is being proposed for amendment in order to implement the 2006 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes to maintain consistency with industry standards for medical coding and to comply with federal requirements under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). This rule sets forth the criteria for covered services and materials not purchased under the vision volume purchase contract for the medicaid program. The changes to the rule are to update existing terminology in this rule. This rule is also being amended to remove HCPCS codes that were contained within this rule but were eliminated by the American Medical Association (AMA) for 2006. Changes include adding new codes, deleting obsolete codes, and revising definitions. Some of the coding changes require amendments to existing policy on coverage. The Department estimates that there is no fiscal impact resulting from these changes.

Rule 5101:3-8-05 entitled "Covered psychology services and limitations." is being proposed for amendment in order to implement the 2006 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes to maintain consistency with industry standards for medical coding and to comply with federal requirements under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). This rule sets forth the criteria necessary for the coverage of psychology services under the medicaid program. The changes to the rule are to update existing terminology in this rule. This rule is also being amended to remove HCPCS codes that were contained within this rule but were eliminated by the AMA for 2006. Changes include adding new codes, deleting obsolete codes, and revising definitions. Some of the coding changes require amendments to existing policy on coverage. The Department estimates that there is no fiscal impact resulting from these changes.

Rule 5101:3-10-03 entitled "Medicaid supply list." is being proposed for amendment in order to implement the 2006 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes to maintain consistency with industry standards for medical coding and to comply with federal requirements under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). This rule sets forth the durable medical equipment and supplies covered by the medicaid program. The changes to the rule are to update existing terminology in this rule. This rule is also being amended to remove HCPCS codes that were contained within this rule but were eliminated by the AMA for 2006. Changes include adding new codes, deleting obsolete codes, and revising definitions as well as replacing local-level and miscellaneous codes with HIPAA-compliant codes and a transition of a select

number of items from rent to purchase (RP) to purchase only (PP) designations. This rule also introduces new billing codes for providers to submit for reimbursement of repair services for durable medical equipment (DME).

Rule 5101:3-10-20 entitled “Covered orthotic and prosthetic services and associated limitations.” is being proposed for amendment in order to implement the 2006 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes to maintain consistency with industry standards for medical coding and to comply with federal requirements under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). This rule sets forth information regarding the orthotic and prosthetic equipment and supplies covered by the medicaid department. The changes to the rule are to replace local-level and miscellaneous codes the 2006 HIPPA-compliant codes. These rules are being amended to add new codes, delete obsolete codes, and revise any definitional changes. Some of the coding changes require amendments to existing policy on coverage. The Department estimates that there is no fiscal impact resulting from these changes. This rule also introduces new billing codes for providers to submit for reimbursement of repair services for orthotic and prosthetic equipment.

A copy of the proposed rules is available without charge to any person affected by the rule at the address listed below. The proposed 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 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 43215-0414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at legal@odjfs.state.oh.us.