PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: April 27, 2006 TIME: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: First Floor Lobby Hearing Room, 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 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 5101:3-1-01, entitled <u>Medicaid: medical necessity</u>, is being proposed for amendment for 5 year rule review, as well as to update and clarify policies relating to medical necessity. This rule sets forth the definition of medical necessity for the state of Ohio's medicaid program. The changes to the rule include correcting some spacing problems in the layout; correcting spelling, grammar and capitalization errors; and in paragraph (A) the term "services" has been changed to "medical services" for clarification.

Rule 5101:3-1-02, entitled General principles regarding reimbursement for medicaid covered services [except as provided through medicaid contracting managed care plans (MCPs)], is being proposed for amendment for 5 year rule review, as well as to update and clarify policies relating to reimbursement for medicaid covered services. The changes to the rule are to make a change in terminology, as well as to make clarifications. In (B)(2), the term "legal representative" is now more correctly termed as an "authorized representative." Paragraph (B)(3) now includes an explanation of the sources for habilitation services in Ohio Medicaid. In (B)(4), the term "provider" has been clarified by using the term "eligible provider."

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules at the address listed below. 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 rules@odjfs.state.oh.us.

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