

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: May 16, 2006
TIME: 10:00 am
LOCATION: SOT, Room 3110 B, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5111.02 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 rescission and adoption of rules as identified below and a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:3-40-01 Medicaid home and community-based services program – individual options waiver. This rule is being amended to update service options available on this waiver and to add and update monitoring requirements by county boards of mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

Rule 5101:3-41-11, entitled Home and community based services-reimbursement for waiver programs administered by the Ohio department of mental retardation and developmental disabilities. This rule is being amended to direct the reimbursement under 5101:3-41-15 when the service is supported employment – community and to exclude the reimbursement for supported employment – community from reimbursement under this rule.

Rule 5101:3-41-15 entitled Home and community based waiver services – reimbursement for adult day support, vocational habilitation, supported employment-enclave, supported employment-community, supported employment adapted equipment and non-medical transportation to access one or more of these services administered by the Ohio department of mental retardation and developmental disabilities. The proposed rule establishes payment standards for the adult day services. It also identifies service limitations related to Day Habilitation and Supported Employment waiver services and specifies the termination date for those two services. The proposed rule will implement a reimbursement methodology for adult day services that is based upon a standardized method of need assessment that will result in the identification of staff intensity ratios and funding limitations. This methodology will be used statewide to provide similar funding allocations for individuals with similar needs. ODMRDD anticipates the estimated annual aggregate expenditures to increase. The projected will result in a increase of approximately 1.5% (\$1,458,000.00) for transportation and 2.5% (\$1,726,000.00) for ADS/VH.

Rule 5101:3-42-01, entitled Medicaid home and community-based services program – level one waiver. This rule is being amended to update service options available on this waiver and to add and update monitoring requirements by county boards of mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

Rule 5101:3-42-11, entitled Medicaid home and community-based services – level one waiver payment standards. This rule is being amended to correct one rule cite and to correct an error one billing code listed in the appendix of this rule.

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.