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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE:May 21, 2008TIME:10:00 AMLOCATION:Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Room 3110B,
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 amended rules as identified below and a public hearing thereon.

The Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 5101:3-31 dealing with the pre-admission screening system providing options and resources today (PASSPORT) home and community based services waiver program (HCBS) is being updated. The rules are being proposed for amendment to clarify PASSPORT waiver eligibility and authorize the inclusion of two new services in the PASSPORT waiver.

5101:3-31-03: Eligibility for enrollment in PASSPORT. This rule sets forth eligibility criteria for enrollment into PASSPORT program waiver eligibility.

5101:3-31-05: **PASSPORT HCBS waiver covered services.** This rule sets forth services covered by the pre-admission screening system providing options and resources today (PASSPORT) home and community based services (HCBS) wavier program.

5101:3-31-07: **PASSPORT HCBS waiver rate setting.** This rule sets forth methods used to determine provider rates for the preadmission screening system providing options and resources today (PASSPORT) home and community based services (HCBS) waiver program.

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 <u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/</u>. 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 <u>rules@odjfs.state.oh.us</u>.