LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Pursuant to Chapter 119. and Section 5111.02 and of the Ohio Revised Code the Director of the Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to amend rules 5101:3-4-12 and 5101:3-14-04 and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:3-4-12 entitled "Immunizations" contains provisions for coverage of immunization services. It is being amended to discontinue four W local level codes which are not H.I.P.A.A. compliant. Providers are instructed to use standard codes for these vaccines. In addition, the Department is amending policy for certain immune globulin codes.

Rule 5101:3-14-04 entitled "Reimbursement of "HealthChek (EPSDT) screening services and frequencies" contains reimbursement provisions for EPSDT services. It is being amended to discontinue local level modifiers which are not H.I.P.A.A. compliant. Instructions are provided so providers will know how to bill for EPSDT services on and after the effective date of electronic billing transactions when H.I.P.A.A. is implemented in October of 2003.

A copy of the amended rules are available without charge to any person affected by it at the address listed below. The amended rules are also available on the Internet at http://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/ols/pubhearings/.

A public hearing on these rules will be held on October 29, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. in room 1814 of the Rhodes Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Either written or verbal testimony on the proposed rule will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted will be treated as testimony. Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on them should be submitted by mail to "Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43266-0423", by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at "legal@odjfs.state.oh.us". Written comments may be reviewed at the department at the address listed above.