LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES COLUMBUS, OHIO

Pursuant to Sections 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 propose rule 5101:3-42-01 on a permanent basis and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:3-42-01 entitled "Home and Community-based Services Program - Level One Waiver" is being proposed on a permanent basis to be effective on or about January 1, 2003. This rule establishes the Level One Waiver as a component of the Medicaid program and authorizes the Ohio Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (ODMRDD) to administer the waiver on a daily basis. The Level One waiver provides home and community based services to individuals who would otherwise require the level of service provided in an intermediate care facility for individuals with mental retardation and developmental disabilities (ICF/MR). The rule provides an overview of the waiver and the components essential to the operation of the program.

A public hearing on these rules will be held on November 20, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. in room 1823 of the Rhodes Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Either written or verbal testimony on the rules will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted to the department will be treated as testimony.

A copy of the proposed rules is available for review in each county department of job of family services, at <u>http://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/ols/pubhearings/</u> and at<u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us</u>. Requests for a copy of the 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.