

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Pursuant to Section 5111.02 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code and 42 CFR 447.205, the Director of the Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to amend rule 5101:3-1-60.

Rule 5101:3-1-60 entitled "Medicaid Reimbursement" contains a list of the codes and the reimbursement rates for these codes for non-institutional providers. The Department is amending this rule to add new codes, delete or change existing codes and adjust the reimbursement rates of certain codes. The department estimates that these changes may increase expenditures, however there is no data available to estimate the impact until the codes are used.

To be compliant with the new Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (H.I.P.A.A.), the department discontinues the use of local level X-codes for family planning services and replaces them with CMS approved codes and modifiers. Also, services for the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, local level H-codes, are discontinued due to H.I.P.A.A. and standard CPT codes are used in place of the local level codes.

Additions include codes 99293 and 99294, added for pediatric critical care for children ages 31 days old to 24 months of age; code 99299 added for intensive care for a recovering very low birth weight baby with weight between 1500-2500 grams. Also, a new range of codes for gastroenterology, otorhinolaryngology, endocrinology, neurology and special dermatology services are added along with a new psychology code, 90801, for psychiatric diagnostic interview examinations.

A copy of the rule is available for review in each county Department of Job and Family Services and also at <http://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/ols/pubhearings/>.

A copy of the rule is also available without charge at the address listed below. A public hearing on the proposed rule will be held on April 29, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. until all testimony is heard in room 1823, 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 or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the rule 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.