

Department of Mental Health

Ted Strickland, Governor Sandra Stephenson, Director

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Ohio Department of Mental Health

Pursuant to section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH) hereby gives notice of its intent to enact the new Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

## OAC 5122-29-07 Forensic Evaluation Service

This proposed rule is being amended to reduce the continuing education hours a person who performs forensic evaluation must obtain and provide flexibility in the time period in which the hours must be obtained.

A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on **Tuesday, November 30, 2010**, beginning at **9:30 am**, and continuing until all persons in attendance have had an opportunity to testify. The hearing will be held in **Room 806 of the Rhodes State Office Tower located at 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215**. At this hearing, ODMH will accept verbal and/or written testimony on the proposed rules under consideration.

Persons unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments on the proposed rules. Any written comments received or postmarked on or before the public hearing date will be treated as testimony and made available for public review. Submittal of written comments may be made to Janel M. Pequignot, Chief, Standards Development and Administrative Rules, by e-mail to Janel.Pequignot@mh.ohio.gov; by fax to 614-752-9453; or by mail to 30 East Broad Street, 8th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3430.

Copies of these rules are available for review at the Register of Ohio website: <u>www.registerofohio.state.oh.us</u> or the ODMH website <u>http://mentalhealth.ohio.gov/what-we-do/protect-and-monitor/licensure-and-certification/rules/index.shtml</u> (Follow link to "Pending Rules"). A copy of the rules is also available at the Ohio Department of Mental Health, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Ask for Janel M. Pequignot.