

Department of Mental Health

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH) hereby gives notice of its intent to amend, rescind and/or adopt the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rules as identified below and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

#### **Certification Standards for Community Mental Health Agencies**

#### **5122-25-03Deemed status and reciprocity (Amend)**

This rule describes the rules which are subject to and exempt from deemed status, the method for an agency to obtain deemed status, agency requirements to notify the department in the event of changes to its accreditation status, and the department's ability to monitor accrediting body processes.

The rule is being changed to note that proposed new service "health home service for persons with serious and persistent mental illness will be exempt from deemed status until January 1, 2017, explains that ODMH is not promulgating specific integrated care standards and removes an expired sunset provision.

## 5122-25-04Certification procedure (Amend)

This rule describes the application requirements and certification processes for an agency seeking initial/renewal ODMH certification.

The changes include clarifying in rule that the department has the ability to request additional documentation as part of the certification application process for a service not included under the deemed status provision.

# 5122-29-33Health home service for persons with serious and persistent<br/>mental illness (New)

The rule describes health home service, requirements for certification, components of the service, provider responsibilities and the team composition.

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A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on **Friday, August 17, 2012**, beginning at **10:00 am**, 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, 8<sup>th</sup> FL**. At this hearing, ODMH will accept verbal and/or written testimony on the proposed rules under consideration.

Persons may also submit written testimony via mail/e-mail. Any written comments received or postmarked on or before the public hearing date will be treated as testimony. 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 request for a copy of the proposed rules may also be submitted by mail to Janel M. Pequignot, Chief, Standards Development and Administrative Rules, 30 East Broad Street, 8th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3430 or by e-mail to Janel.Pequignot@mh.ohio.gov.