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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) will hold a public hearing for the purpose of accepting testimony on the proposed changes to the following rules:

Rule	Summary of major proposed changes
O.A.C. 5122-2-04 – Patient complaint and grievance procedure for regional psychiatric hospital inpatient services	<p>The rule is being amended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Change references from "client" to "patient," since the persons served in OhioMHAS’s regional psychiatric hospitals (RPHs) are patients. --Include the OhioMHAS deputy director of hospital services in the adoption of the patient complaint and grievance procedure. --Mandate the approval of the deputy director of hospital services (in addition to the medical director and hospital governing body) when changes are made to the procedure. --Specify that the procedure must be based on the most current version of the applicable appendix of the CMS Manual. --Mandate that the procedure be reviewed every three years by the deputy director of hospital services and OhioMHAS advocacy services administrator in addition to the medical director.
O.A.C. 5122-7-02 – Patient rights within regional psychiatric hospitals	The rule is being amended to reflect the newer titles of the persons who have duties with respect to OhioMHAS’s advocacy program, eliminate references to mediation (since mediation does not occur), and changes references from "client" to "patient" since the persons served are patients.
O.A.C. 5122-22-01 – Trusts for supplemental services	The rule is not being substantively amended at this time; rather, the rule is being amended to update language to current terms used to refer to individuals with mental illness, correct grammatical errors, and reflect guidance in the <i>LSC Rule Drafting Manual</i> .

The public hearing will be held at 3:00 PM on Thursday, June 22, 2023, in Room 3602 of the Rhodes State Office Tower located at 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, 36th Floor. At this hearing, OhioMHAS will accept verbal and written testimony on the rules under consideration. The hearing may also be accessed via Microsoft Teams at this link:

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The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. Any person affected by the rules may appear and be heard in person, by his or her attorney, or both; may present his or her position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing; offer and examine witnesses; and present evidence tending to show that the rules, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

To obtain copies of these rules, please visit the Register of Ohio at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Persons may also submit written testimony in lieu of appearing at the public hearing. Written testimony sent by mail shall be postmarked no later than the day of the hearing. Written testimony transmitted by email shall be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing. Written testimony may be mailed to: Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Bureau of Legal Services, Attn: Lisa Musielewicz, 30 East Broad Street, 36th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3430; or emailed to MH-SOT-rules@mha.ohio.gov.