

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 rescind and adopt the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

OAC 5122-21-03 Pre-admission screening and resident review (PASRR) for nursing facility and passport waiver applicants and residents with serious mental illness

This rule is proposed for rescission and replacement by a new rule.

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This replacement rule is filed due to the 50% rule revision requirement. The new rule clarifies existing practices, adds greater detail, identifies additional personnel who can perform Level 2 evaluations, adds new processes and requirements, and is reorganized to simplify processes and to assure consistency with the 5123:2-14-01. ODMH is coordinating the revision of this rule with companion new and revised OAC rules which will be filed by the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, and the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.

A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on **August 26, 2009**, 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 PequignotJ@mh.state.oh.us; 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: www.registerofohio.state.oh.us or the ODMH website <http://mentalhealth.ohio.gov/what-we-do/protect-and-monitor/licensure-and-certification/rules/index.shtml> (Follow link to "Pending Rules"). A copy of the rules is also available at the Ohio Department of Mental Health, 8th Floor, Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Ask for Janel M. Pequignot.