

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

DATE: Thursday, November 20, 2014
TIME: 10:00 AM
LOCATION: Lazarus Building, Room B401
50 West Town Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Pursuant to Chapter 119. and section 5164.02 of the Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) gives notice of the Department's intent to amend, and rescind and file as new the rules identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5160-51-01, entitled "HOME choice ("Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice") demonstration program: definitions" is being rescinded and filed as a new rule entitled "Definitions for the helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) program" in compliance with five year rule review.

Changes to rule 5160-51-01 include:

- State agency name references, form numbers, and rule number references were updated to reflect agency name and statutory and Administrative Code numbering changes.
- Removed unnecessary references to home and community based services waivers where applicable.
- Clarified, added and removed definitions not applicable to the HOME Choice program.
- Removed redundancies.

Rule 5160-51-02, entitled "Helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) application process, participant eligibility, and enrollment" is being rescinded and filed as a new rule entitled "Helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) program application process, participant eligibility, and enrollment" in compliance with five year rule review.

Changes to rule 5160-51-02 include:

- State agency name references, form numbers, and rule number references were updated to reflect agency name and statutory and Administrative Code numbering changes.
- Removed unnecessary references to home and community based services waivers where applicable.
- Added the application name and form number needed to apply for participation in the HOME Choice program and clarified the enrollment process.

Rule 5160-51-03, entitled “HOME choice ("Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice") demonstration program: conditions of participation for providers” is being rescinded and filed as a new rule entitled “Helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) program conditions of participation and enrollment for providers” in compliance with five year rule review.

Changes to rule 5160-51-03 include:

- State agency name references, form numbers, and rule number references were updated to reflect agency name and statutory and Administrative Code numbering changes.
- Removed unnecessary references to home and community based services waivers where applicable.
- Clarified definitions and removed definitions not applicable to the HOME Choice program.
- Removed redundancies.
- Added the application/agreement name and form number for provider enrollment and clarified the enrollment process for providers of services to HOME Choice participants.
- Added language from Rule 5160-51-05 regarding the processing of provider applications.
- Removed hearing rights language for a provider whose provider agreement is terminated due to failure to meet the requirements set forth in the rule.

Rule 5160-51-04, entitled “HOME choice ("Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice") demonstration program: definitions of the covered services and program service limitations, provider qualifications and specifications” is being rescinded and filed as a new rule entitled “Helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) program definitions of covered services and provider qualifications” in compliance with five year rule review.

Changes to rule 5160-51-04 include:

- State agency name references, form numbers, and rule number references were updated to reflect agency name and statutory and Administrative Code numbering changes.
- Removed unnecessary references to home and community based services waivers where applicable.
- Clarified covered services definitions.
- Added language from Rule 5160-51-05 pertaining to each of the covered service providers listed.
- Removed redundancies.

Rule 5160-51-05, entitled “HOME choice (“Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice”) demonstration program: process for enrolling service providers” is being rescinded. The necessary content has been incorporated into rules 5160-51-03 and 5160-51-04 of the Administrative Code.

Rule 5160-51-06, entitled “HOME Choice (“Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice”) demonstration program reimbursement rates and billing procedures” is being amended and will be entitled “Helping Ohioans move, expanding choice (HOME choice) program definitions of billing terms, reimbursement rates and billing procedures for providers of covered services” in compliance with five year rule review.

Changes to rule 5160-51-06 include:

- State agency name references, form numbers, and rule number references were updated to reflect agency name and statutory and Administrative Code numbering changes.
- Removed unnecessary references to home and community based services waivers where applicable.
- Clarified definitions.
- Added language regarding recoupment of funds for overpayment to a provider.
- Extended the length of time a provider is allowed to submit a claim for reimbursement for community transition services from 15 days to 30 days.

A copy of each of the proposed rules is available at the address listed below and without charge, to any person affected by the rules and at the county department of job and family services. The proposed rules are also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held at the date, time and location listed at the top of this notice. Either written or oral testimony 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 proposed rules or comments on the rules should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Medicaid, Office of Legal Counsel, 50 West Town Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43218, by fax at (614) 752-3986, or by e-mail at rules@medicaid.ohio.gov. Comments received may be reviewed upon request.