

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

DATE: May 15, 2017
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Room A501, Lazarus Building
50 West Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Pursuant to section 5164.02 and Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), the Director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (Department) gives notice of the Department's intent to adopt, amend or rescind the rule identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5160-2-79, entitled Reimbursement for LARC devices, describes the payment policy for long-acting reversible contraceptive (LARC) devices provided postpartum in an inpatient hospital setting and prior to the patient's discharge from the hospital. This rule is being proposed for adoption to implement the requirements enacted by Sub. S.B. 332 of the Ohio 131st General Assembly. The Department will reform its hospital reimbursement policy to allow a claim, separate from a claim related to labor and delivery, to be submitted for the LARC device. Payment for the LARC device will be made in accordance with paragraph (E) of rule 5160-4-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code at the rate published in the Department's Provider-Administered Pharmaceuticals fee schedule in effect on the date of service. Payment for related inpatient obstetrical services will be made in accordance with the Department's inpatient payment policies in effect on the date of discharge from the hospital. This change would be effective for LARC devices provided to recipients postpartum in an inpatient hospital setting with a date of service on or after on July 6, 2017.

A public hearing on the proposed rule will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Both written and 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.

A copy of the proposed rule is available, without charge, to any person at the address listed below. The rule is also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>

Requests for a copy of the proposed rule and testimony on the rule should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Medicaid Rule Administrator, Office of Chief Legal Counsel, 50 W. Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 995-1301, or by e-mail at Rules@Medicaid.Ohio.gov. Testimony received may be reviewed at this address.