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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

DATE: June 22, 2017 TIME: 11:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room A501, Lazarus Government Center

50 West Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Pursuant to section 5164.02 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid gives notice of the Department's intent to consider the rescission and adoption of the rules identified below and to hold a public hearing on these rules.

Existing rule 5160-4-01, "Physicians and other eligible providers of physician services," sets forth coverage and payment policies for services that may be rendered by "eligible providers of physician services," which are defined as (1) physicians, (2) professional medical groups, (3) ambulatory health care clinics, (4) federally qualified health centers, (5) outpatient health facilities, and (6) rural health clinics. This rule is rescinded and replaced by new rule 5160-4-01.

New rule 5160-4-01, "Physician services," addresses only services provided by physicians, following the convention established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that only physicians can be providers of physician services. Reference to "eligible providers of physician services" is omitted from this rule; provisions governing non-physician providers of medical, surgical, radiological, and imaging services are set forth in other rules in agency 5160 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Other unnecessary or redundant references have also been removed. The modifications made to the rule, however, represent no change in policy.

The public hearing will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Both written and oral testimony will be accepted at the public hearing, and written comments submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

Any person affected by these rules may examine them and obtain a copy, without charge, at the following locations:

Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 West Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, OH 43215 or On the internet at http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rules, as well as testimony on the rules, may be submitted in any of the following ways:

By mail to the Rule Administrator, Office of Chief Legal Counsel, Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 West Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, OH 43215;

By fax to (614) 995-1301; or

By e-mail to rules@medicaid.ohio.gov.

Testimony on the proposed rules may also be reviewed at the Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 West Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

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