

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

DATE: November 17th, 2017
TIME: 11:00AM
LOCATION: Lobby Hearing Room, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 E Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to sections 5164.02 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amendment of the rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5160-1-71 entitled Patient Centered Medical Homes (PCMH): Eligible Providers is being proposed for amendment to update policy relating to the administration of the Ohio Comprehensive Primary Care (CPC) program under the State Innovation Model (SIM) grant, the development of which is a joint collaboration between ODM and the Governor's Office of Health Transformation (OHT). The Ohio CPC program emphasizes primary care and encourages providers to deliver medical services more efficiently and economically to achieve better health outcomes for the more than 3 million Ohioans covered by Medicaid. This is a team-based care delivery model led by a primary care practitioner who comprehensively manages the health needs of individuals.

This rule set forth the eligibility requirements that primary care practices must meet in order to enroll under the Ohio CPC program. The changes to the rule are technical in nature and do not create new requirements for providers who participated in the first year of the program. Some language has been streamlined to simplify the requirements for practices participating in the CPC program. To accommodate a new accreditation option under the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) and the ultimate phase-out of the existing NCQA III accreditation, the rule has been amended to allow providers newly enrolling for program year 2018 to have either NCQA III accreditation or accreditation under NCQA PCMH standards as in effect March 31, 2017. The rule has been clarified to state that practices must have the PCMH specific accreditation from one of the listed accrediting bodies. This rule includes a provision which allows practices who participated in the 2017 program year to continue participation in the Ohio CPC program.

This amended rule removes references to specific program years and simplifies language addressing the time period in which a participating practice must attest to or complete program requirements. The activity requirements in the amended rule have been consolidated into one section instead of distinguishing different time periods as in the existing rule. This section has been clarified to state the activity requirements must be attested to upon enrollment and on an annual basis. The efficiency requirement concerning referral patterns to episode principle accountable providers has been removed as it is no longer a requirement.

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/>. 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. Written testimony submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

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 St., 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.