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## Ohio Department of Health

### Notice of Public Rules Hearing

**July 23, 2024 at 12:30pm**

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#### 3701-70 - Fetal Infant Mortality Review

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#### 3717-1 - Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code

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#### Hearing and Contact Information:

**In accordance with ORC Section 119.03 (D), any person affected by the proposed action may appear and be heard. Any such person may be represented by an attorney, present their positions, arguments, or contentions orally or in writing, may offer witnesses, and may present evidence tending to show that the proposed rule, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful. To aid in organizing the meeting, any persons intending to testify at the Public Hearing or planning to observe are encouraged to email [Alicyn.Carrel@odh.ohio.gov](mailto:Alicyn.Carrel@odh.ohio.gov) immediately.**

**Please include in the subject of your email – TESTIFYING IN PUBLIC HEARING and the DATE of the Public Hearing in which you are testifying.**

**The public hearing is open to the public and will be held in-person in Basement Training Room A at 35 E. Chestnut Street, Columbus, Ohio on July 23, 2024 at 12:30pm. For those who wish to attend virtually, the Microsoft Teams meeting link is included in this notice. While not required, members of the public planning to attend in person may RSVP by email to [Alicyn.Carrel@odh.ohio.gov](mailto:Alicyn.Carrel@odh.ohio.gov) to expedite the building security process.**

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**Copies of the proposed rules will be available on the Register of Ohio website:**

**<http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/rules/search> approximately one day after the rule is filed, or from the Office of the General Counsel, Ohio Department of Health (<https://odh.ohio.gov/health-rules-laws-and-forms>)**

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