

**Department of
Children & Youth****PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

DATE: September 25, 2025
TIME: 1:00 pm
LOCATION: Teleconference and Punderson Conference Room
35 E. Chestnut Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

This meeting will be held by teleconference and in person. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please attend the meeting site location or call in at the date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D # which is 801 494 182 #. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to rules@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov.

Pursuant to sections 5104.019 and 5104.12 and in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amending of the in-home aide rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

DCY is amending Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rules 5180:2-14-02 and 5180:2-14-14 pursuant to Amended Substitute House Bill 96 of the 136th General Assembly. An IHA certificate has been changed to continuous and discontinues the renewal process and two-year certification period. This change aligns with early care and education centers and family child care homes.

AC rule 5180:2-14-02, entitled "Application and approval for certification as an in-home aide" outlines the requirements for applying for and receiving approval for certification. This rule is being amended with the following changes:

- Updated Chapter 5101 to 5180 within the rule
- Removed all language referencing certification renewals
- Replaced "expiration date and two years" with "continuous" in paragraph (C)(4)
- Emphasized an IHA certificate for a current location will close when a parent is no longer eligible for PFCC in a new paragraph (C)(4)(d)
- Removed "original certification period is to be maintained" in paragraph (F)(4)
- Updated language to include references to the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) regarding independent contractors in paragraph (G)

OAC rule 5180:2-14-14, entitled "County agency responsibilities for in-home certification, compliance inspections and complaint investigations" outlines the requirements of a county agency to issue certificates and contains the responsibilities for monitoring compliance. This rule is being amended with the following changes:

- Updated Chapter 5101 to 5180 within the rule
- Removed all language referencing certification renewals
- Omitted "or renewal" in a new paragraph (B)(1)
- Changed "life of the certification" to "duration of the certification" in paragraph (F)(3)(a)
- Changed "ended" to "surrendered" in paragraph (F)(4)
- Removed the requirement for notarization of attestation statements in appendix B

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules at the address listed below. The 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 to the attention of DCY Rules Coordinator by mail to the Ohio Department of Children and Youth, Legal Division, PO Box 183204, Columbus, Ohio 43218, or by e-mail at rules@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov.