PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 08/21/2017 TIME: 10:00 A.M. LOCATION: Room 3110B Rhodes State Office Tower

Pursuant to section 5116.06 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to amend, rescind, and adopt the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon due to Am. Sub. H.B. 49.

Rule 5101:14-1-01, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program:</u> <u>Definitions</u>. This rule describes definitions for the Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP). This rule is being amended with additional definitions based on permanent law, to strike "co-location" from paragraph (E) and replace with "coordination" in paragraph (G), to define enrollment in paragraph (I), and other minor language changes for clarity.

Rule 5101:14-1-02, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program</u>: <u>General</u>. This rule describes the individuals that participate in CCMEP, funding and administration, lead agency requirements, and the fourteen services available. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; updated paragraph (B) to allow individuals age fourteen to twenty-four to participate in CCMEP and other language changes to align with permanent law; updated paragraph (C) to describe how each local board can choose to authorize or not authorize the use of its youth workforce investment activity funds in CCMEP; updated paragraph (D) to describe lead agency responsibilities and designation process based on permanent law and to describe consequences for failure to enroll an individual who is required to participate in CCMEP; language in paragraph (D), which describes eligibility requirements and review process, has been moved to rule 5101:14-1-05 of the Administrative Code for clarity; and updated service definitions in paragraph (E) to align with WIOA.

Rule 5101:14-1-03, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program:</u> <u>Program Plan</u>. This rule describes the CCMEP program plan, what content must be included in the program plan, and instructions for submission of the program plan. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; updated paragraph (B)(3) to describe the CCMEP program plan process when a board of county commissioners redesignates the lead agency; updated paragraph (C)(4)(d) to add language regarding Ohio Works First (OWF) information that must be communicated for clarity; updated paragraph (C)(5) to clarify processes for a domestic violence individual; intensive case management requirements in paragraph (C)(8) were removed to simplify engagement requirements and updated lead agency local policies; and updated paragraph (C)(18) to specify local policies that must be developed by the lead agency and local board for clarity.

Rule 5101:14-1-04, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program:</u> Referral, Comprehensive Assessment, Individual Service Strategy, and Individual Opportunity <u>Plan</u>. This rule describes the referral, comprehensive assessment, individual service strategy, and individual opportunity plan (IOP) processes. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; added paragraph (A) to define referral for CCMEP; added language in paragraph (B) from rule 5101:14-1-02 of the Administrative Code to this rule for clarity and to specify a timeframe for completion of the JFS 03002 "WIOA Youth Program Eligibility Application"; updated language in paragraph (D) to specify when the Ohio workforce case management system (OWCMS) must be utilized and when the JFS 03003 "Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP) Comprehensive Assessment" and the JFS 03006 "Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP) Comprehensive Assessment - Secondary School" may be utilized; added language that describes the IOP process in paragraphs (F) and (G) from rule 5101:14-1-05 of the Administrative Code for clarity; and added paragraphs (H) and (I) to describe other requirements related to the comprehensive assessment and IOP based on permanent law and for clarity.

Rule 5101:14-1-05, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program: Case</u> <u>Management</u>. This rule describes case management, activities, and activity hours for CCMEP. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; paragraphs (A) and (B) have been moved to rule 5101:14-1-04 of the Administrative Code; added paragraph (A) to describe case management, semi-annual review process for funding eligibility, and documentation requirements; paragraph (D), which described intensive case management, was removed to simplify and increase flexibility for person-centered case management; updated paragraph (C) to describe the standard of twenty activity hours per week and circumstances when the standard may be less than twenty hours per week; updated paragraph (E) to state that good cause applies solely for OWF sanction purposes and clarified timeframes for when the comprehensive assessment and IOP must be completed and inputted into OWCMS; and paragraph (H) was removed because good cause will only be documented by the lead agency for OWF sanction purposes.

Rule 5101:14-1-06, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program:</u> <u>Program Exit and Follow-Up Services</u>. This rule describes program exit and follow-up services for CCMEP. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; added language to paragraph (A) to clarify exiting an OWF mandatory participant from CCMEP and align with permanent law; added language in paragraphs (A)(3) and (B)(1) to state that a program participant exits CCMEP when the individual has not engaged in CCMEP services on at least five occasions without explanation; added paragraph (A)(4) and language in paragraph (E) to describe exiting in regards to funding eligibility and availability; added paragraph (B)(4) to state that the lead agency must comply with rule 5101:6-10-01 of the Administrative Code; and updated language in paragraph (D) to align with WIOA.

Rule 5101:14-1-07, entitled <u>Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program:</u> <u>Primary Performance Measures</u>. This rule describes the primary performance measures for CCMEP. This rule is being updated with the following changes: minor language changes for clarity; removed paragraphs (A)(1) and (A)(2) for clarity; added new paragraphs (A)(1) and (A)(7) which describes primary performance measures to align with WIOA; updated paragraph (B) to remove "annual" and replace with "biennial" to align with WIOA; removed paragraph (B)(3) as intermediate measures were added to primary performance measures in paragraph (A) of this rule; updated paragraph (C) to specify consequences for failing to meet a performance standard in accordance with sections 5101.24 and 5101.241 of the Revised Code; struck paragraph (D)(3) regarding program participants caring for a disabled family member to align with WIOA; and added paragraph (D)(4) regarding foster care program participants to align with WIOA.

Copies of the proposed rules are 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 by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal and Acquisition Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298 or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.