

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: May 27, 2014
TIME: 10:00 AM
LOCATION: Rhodes State Office Tower, Room 3110B

Pursuant to sections 5101.35, 5153.16, 5153.163 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amendment of the rules identified below and of a public hearing thereon. These rules are being amended as a result of the Five Year Rule Review and recent policy updates, and the result of Partners for Ohio's Families (PFOF).

OAC rule 5101:2-48-05, entitled "**Agency Adoption and Recruitment Plan**," sets forth the requirements that the public children services agency (PCSA), private child placing agency (PCPA) or private noncustodial agency (PNA) shall have a current written adoption policy. The word policy was added to the title to read "Agency Adoption Policy and Recruitment Plan". The word "supersede" replaced the word "supercede." The word "adult" was added in front of the word relative. Sentences were either added or deleted for clarification.

OAC rule 5101:2-48-16 entitled, "**Adoption Preplacement and Placement Procedures**" sets forth the requirements that the public children services agency (PCSA) or private child placing agency (PCPA) shall begin services to prepare the child for adoptive placement no later than date of the permanent custody. The words "age appropriate" was added and sentences were removed from (D). Sentences were either added or deleted for clarification.

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule 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. 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, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.