

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 3/30/21
TIME: 10:00 AM
LOCATION: Teleconference

Due to the COVID-19 precautions this meeting will be held by teleconference. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please call in at the above date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D. which is 831 093 927#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to rules@jfs.ohio.gov.

Pursuant to sections 5104.21, 5104.22 and Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the proposal of the new rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. The amendments are based upon guidance received from the Ohio Department of Health to protect the health and safety of the staff and children being served by the provider in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

5101:2-18-03.1 “Transitional Pandemic Requirements for Approved Child Day Camps” is a new rule that is being proposed to define transitional pandemic requirements for approved child day camps with the following guidelines: Approved child day camps are to follow all of the approval requirements of Chapter 5101:2-18. The child day camp is to follow updated handwashing procedures for administrators, child day camp staff members, employees, and children. The child day camp may use non-permanent sinks to meet the handwashing requirements of this chapter. The child day camp is to also assess for temperature and the COVID-19 symptoms listed in appendix A to the rule and follow all isolation or quarantine protocols. Isolation or quarantine protocols will be completed in coordination with the local health department or in compliance with the Ohio department of health (ODH) and United States centers for disease control and prevention (CDC) guidelines. The child day camp will ensure that all administrators, child day camp staff members, employees, and children wear a face covering that covers the individual’s nose and mouth while indoors, unless not medically or developmentally appropriate. The child day camp provider will report all COVID-19 positive tests to their local health department and to ODJFS. There are new procedures if the day camp needs to divide a room into smaller spaces to serve multiple groups of children. The transitional pandemic rule is valid until the governor of Ohio rescinds the state of emergency and/or directs ODJFS to return to full child day camp requirements.

A copy of the proposed rule 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 rule or comments on the rule 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.