

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES**

DATE: 8/24/23
TIME: 10 am
LOCATION: Teleconference and Room3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, OH 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 397 858 981#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to: rules@jfs.ohio.gov

Pursuant to sections 5104.30, 5104.32, 5104.34, 5104.35, 5104.38, 5104.31 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the adoption, amendment, or rescission of the rule or rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:2-16-09, entitled " Provider responsibilities for publicly funded child care. " is being proposed for amendment. Licensed child care programs were required to be rated through Step Up To Quality (SUTQ) in order to be eligible to provide Publicly Funded Child Care (PFCC) under provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. Amended Substitute House Bill 45 of the 134th Ohio General Assembly added two new exemptions to the SUTQ participation requirement outlined in paragraph (A)(3) of rule 5101:2-16-09 of the Ohio Administrative Code. With the implementation of Amended Substitute House Bill 45, certain child care programs will no longer be required to be SUTQ rated to provide PFCC.

A copy of the proposed rule(s) is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule(s) at the address listed below. The rule(s) is also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A public hearing on the proposed rule(s) 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(s) or comments on the rule(s) 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.