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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 5/23/2024 TIME: 10am

LOCATION: Teleconference and Room 7A,

246 N. High 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 734 765 206#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to: rules@jfs.ohio.gov

Pursuant to section 5104.30, 5104.38 and 5104.39 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 5101:2-16-10, entitled "Payment rates and procedures for providers of publicly funded child care services", is being proposed to update provider payment rates to the 50th percentile, replace the Step Up To Quality five-tiered rating system with the bronze, silver, and gold rating system, remove references to Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), update payment rates for in-home aides to align with the licensed Type B Homes base rate, clarify in-home aides can claim absent days and professional development days and remove pandemic days from rule. This rule sets forth provider payment rates and compensation procedures for publicly funded child care services. The provider rates and county categories in Appendix A are being updated.

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 <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>.

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