

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

**DATE:** August 5, 2008  
**TIME:** 10:00 AM  
**LOCATION:** Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad Street, Room 3110B,  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5111.02 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, and 42 CFR 447.205 the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to amend the rules identified below and hold a public hearing thereon.

The Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 5101:3-1-06.1 dealing with the pre-admission screening system providing options and resources today (PASSPORT) Medicaid home and community based services waiver program (HCBS) and 5101:3-1-06.4 Home and community-based services waivers: Choices is being proposed for amendment to implement language in House Bill 119 (127<sup>th</sup> General Assembly).

**Rule 5101:3-1-06.1 entitled Home and community-based services waivers: PASSPORT** is being proposed for amendment to implement language in HB 119 (127<sup>th</sup> GA). This rule contains the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for services provided through the PASSPORT Medicaid waiver program. The change to the rule will increase the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for PASSPORT services by 3% in state fiscal year 2009.

**Rule 5101:3-1-06.4 entitled Home and community-based services waivers: Choices** is being proposed for amendment to implement language in HB 119 (127<sup>th</sup> GA). This rule contains the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for services provided through the Choices Medicaid waiver program. The change to the rule will increase the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for Choices services by 3% in state fiscal year 2009.

The aggregate increase in expenditures for Ohio's Medicaid program to increase the maximum allowable rate of reimbursement for PASSPORT and Choices providers is estimated to be approximately \$10 million (state and federal funds) in state fiscal year 2009.

A copy of each 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 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 Services, 30 East Broad St, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at [rules@odjfs.state.oh.us](mailto:rules@odjfs.state.oh.us).