



Department of
Developmental Disabilities

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: May 22, 2018
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Lobby Hearing Room
Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities hereby gives notice of its intent to rescind and adopt the following rules of the Administrative Code on a permanent basis on or about July 5, 2018, and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

The Department is rescinding rule 5123:2-9-22 (Home and Community-Based Services Waivers - Community Respite Under the Individual Options, Level One, and Self-Empowered Life Funding Waivers) and adopting a new replacement rule of the same title numbered 5123-9-22. The rules define Community Respite and set forth provider qualifications, requirements for service delivery and documentation of services, and payment standards for the service. New rule 5123-9-22 reflects revisions to align definitions with those used in newer rules for Home and Community-Based Services, to correct references to other administrative rules, and to increase the payment rate for providers of the service.

The Department is rescinding rule 5123:2-9-30 (Home and Community-Based Services Waivers - Homemaker/Personal Care

Under the individual Options and Level One Waivers) and adopting a new replacement rule of the same title numbered 5123-9-30. The rules define Homemaker/Personal Care and set forth provider qualifications, requirements for service delivery and documentation of services, and payment standards for the service. New rule 5123-9-30 reflects revisions to align definitions with those used in newer rules for Home and Community-Based Services, to correct references to other administrative rules, and to implement the new Staff Competency rate modification, a payment rate increase available when qualified staff deliver the service.

The Department is rescinding rule 5123:2-9-34 (Home and Community-Based Services Waivers - Residential Respite Under the Individual Options, Level One, and Self-Empowered Life Funding Waivers) and adopting a new replacement rule of the same title numbered 5123-9-34. The rules define Residential Respite and set forth provider qualifications, requirements for service delivery and documentation of services, and payment standards for the service. New rule 5123-9-34 reflects revisions to align definitions with those used in newer rules for Home and Community-Based Services, to correct references to other administrative rules, and to increase the payment rate for providers of the service.

At this public hearing, the Department will accept verbal and/or written testimony on the proposed rule actions. Persons unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments on the proposed rule actions. Any written comments received on or before the public hearing date will be treated as testimony and made available for public review. Submittal of written comments may be made to Becky Phillips, Administrative Rules Coordinator, by email to becky.phillips@dodd.ohio.gov or by U.S. mail to 30 East Broad Street, 12th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414.

The rules are available for review at the Register of Ohio website (<http://registerofohio.state.oh.us>) and at the Department's website (<http://dodd.ohio.gov/RulesLaws/Pages/Rules-Under-Development.aspx>). The rules are also available for review at each county board of developmental disabilities.