

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

DATE: May 10th, 2019

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: 50 West Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215; Room A501

Pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) gives notice of the Department's intent to amend or file as new the rules identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5160-01-06.01, titled “Home and Community-based service waivers: PASSPORT” sets forth the PASSPORT covered services and the maximum allowable rates for these services. This rule is being proposed for amendment to accurately reflect the service names and align the maximum allowable reimbursement for the services with the Ohio Home Care Waiver. Changes to the rule include:

- Revisions to service names and maximum allowable reimbursements in Appendix A.

Rule 5160-31-05, titled PASSPORT HCBS waiver program covered services, establishes the covered services furnished by the waiver. Changes to the rule include:

- Add two new services (paragraph B)
- Remove two services (Paragraph (B))
- Rename one service (Paragraph B)
- Remove references to Home Choice (Paragraph D)
- Update list of participant-directed services (Paragraph D)
- Adopt consistent use of the terms “direct” and participant direct (Paragraph E and F)

Rule 5160-31-07, titled “PASSPORT HCBS waiver program rate setting” sets forth the rate methodologies used to determine provider reimbursement in the PASSPORT waiver program. This rule is being proposed for amendment to update rate methodology policy for certain services. Changes to the rule include:

- Update the list of services that are reimbursed using a per-job bid methodology (Paragraph D);
- Update the list of services that are reimbursed using a statewide rate methodology (Paragraph F);
- Update the list of services that are reimbursed using a regional rate methodology (Paragraph G);
- Replaced the terms “reimbursement rate” and “reimbursed” with “rate” and “paid” to be consistent with other OAC rules. (Paragraphs C, D, and E);
- Replaced the term “individual’s case manager” with “ODA’s designee” to be consistent with other OAC rules. (Paragraphs D, E and H).

Rule 5160-01-06.5, titled “Home and Community-based service waivers: Assisted Living” sets for the Assisted Living covered services and the maximum allowable rates for the services. This rule

is being proposed for amendment to align reimbursement policy with the Ohio Home Care and PASSPORT. Changes to the rule include

- Remove a date reference;
- Update the maximum allowable reimbursement in Appendix A.

Rule 5160-33-07, titled “Assisted Living home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver rate setting, sets forth the rate methodologies used to determine provider reimbursement in the Assisted Living waiver program. This rule is being proposed for amendment to update the rate methodology for the community transition service. Changes to the rule include:

- Establish the elements to be included in the per-job bid rate for the community transition service (Paragraph C).
- Replaced the term “reimbursed” with “paid” to be consistent with other OAC rules. (Paragraph C and E);
- Added term “ODA-certified”.

The proposed rules are 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. Both written and/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 Medicaid, Office of Legal Counsel, 50 West Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, Ohio 43215, by fax at (614) 995-1301, or by e-mail at rules@medicaid.ohio.gov. Comments received may be reviewed upon request.