

John Kasich, Governor Bonnie K. Burman, Director

AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF RESPONSE

To: Paula Steele, CSI Office and Lt. Gov. Office

From: Tom Simmons, Policy Manager

Re: Choice Program Rules

Date: October 1, 2013

Thank you for reviewing ODA's proposed amendments to rules 173-39-02.4 and 173-39-02.21 of the Administrative Code.

Because the CSI Office did not recommend any changes, ODA will now proceed with filing the above mentioned rule proposals with JCARR.

On October 1, 2013, ODA refilled rules 173-39-02.4 and 173-39-02.21 of the Administrative Code in order to incorporate post-filing developments in Medicaid programs. In the refiled rules, ODA is proposing to:

- Change "home care attendant service" in in the titles and throughout the rules to "choices home care attendant service" in order to differentiate this service from the home care attendant service found in other Medicaid waiver programs. As Medicaid waiver programs combine, different services with the same name will need to have different names.
- Replace "5101:3-1-06.4" in paragraph (C)(2) of the rule with "5160-1-06.4." This is because H.B.59 transformed the Office of Medical Assistance in JFS into the Ohio Dept. of Medicaid. On October 1, 2013, the Legislative Service Commission changed the rule numbers. Thus, ODA is proposing to make an identical change on the same day.

These changes should create no change to the BIA that ODA previously submitted. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your work.

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