



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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 January 26, 2017, and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5123:2-5-01 entitled *Adult Services Certification Standards* is being rescinded and replaced by a new rule of the same number and title. The rule establishes minimum qualifications through certification standards that apply to persons, directly providing or supervising the provision of Adult Services, who are employed by county boards of developmental disabilities. The rule is being revised to adjust staff training requirements based on stakeholder feedback and add wording to permit the Department to revoke certification.

Rule 5123:2-5-02 entitled *Service and Support Administration Certification Standards* is being rescinded and replaced by a new rule of the same number and title. The rule establishes minimum qualifications through certification standards that apply to persons, directly providing or supervising the provision of Service and Support Administration, who are employed by county boards of developmental disabilities and entities under contract with county boards of developmental disabilities to provide or supervise the provision of Service and Support Administration. The rule is being revised to require Service and Support Administration staff to complete Department-provided web-based training modules, eliminate topics from the orientation program and first-year training that will be addressed in the Department-provided web-based training modules, and add wording to permit the Department to revoke certification.

A public hearing on the proposed rule actions will be held on **December 13, 2016**, beginning at **10:00 a.m.**, and continuing until all persons in attendance have had an opportunity to testify. The hearing will be held in the **Lobby**

Hearing Room of the Rhodes State Office Tower located at 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. At this 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, by fax to 614/752-8551, 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.