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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHIOANS WITH DISABILITIES (OOD) AGENCY

Date: September 25, 2024

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: OOD and Microsoft Teams videoconference

150 E. Campus View Boulevard, 3rd Floor,

Conference Room 0306 Columbus, Ohio 43235

The Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) Agency will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of soliciting comments regarding proposed changes to rule Ohio Administrative Code 3304-4-01 (Definitions for the personal care assistance program), 3304-4-02 (Personal care assistance program); 3304-4-03 (Grievances); and, 3304-4-04 (Disciplinary infractions).

The public hearing will be conducted on September 25, 2024 beginning at 10 a.m. in the 0306 conference room located at 150 E. Campus View Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43235 and continue until all those attending have had an opportunity to be heard. You may also join the public hearing via Microsoft Teams videoconference. If you would like to attend virtually, or if you would like to request reasonable accommodation to participate in the hearing, please notify ood.administrativerules@ood.ohio.gov to make arrangements.

This notice of public hearing announces OOD's intention to file:

Ohio Administrative Code 3304-4-01 (Definitions for the personal care assistance program). Amended Rule 3304-4-01 reflects changes to the definitions for the PCAprogram.

Ohio Administrative Code 3304-4-02 (Personal care assistance program). Amended Rule 3304-4-02 reflects changes to the language for clarity for the program processes and qualifying as an eligible individual.

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Ohio Administrative Code 3304-4-03 (Grievances). Amended Rule 3304-4-03 reflects changes to clarify the grievance process for the PCA program.

Ohio Administrative Code 3304-4-04 (Disciplinary infractions). Amended Rule 3304-4-04 reflects changes to the language to clarify what actions would constitute a disciplinary infraction for a PCAprogram-eligible individual.

The purpose of this hearing is to provide the opportunity for any interested person to give testimony for or against the proposed Ohio Administrative Code rules. Testimony for the proposal or against the proposal may be made at the public hearing, or written comments maybe emailed to the Executive Director at <u>ood.administrativerules@ood.ohio.gov</u>. Written comments will be accepted until the start of the hearing.

Please find the proposed rules on OOD's website using the following link: OOD Proposed Rules. If you would like to receive a copy of the rules in a special format (e.g., Microsoft Word format, regular or large print), please email ood.administrativerules@ood.ohio.gov.

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