## NOTICE OT PUDIIC KUIES BEAFING 29/2025 2:20 PM

## Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 2:30pm

In accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code (R.C.), the Director of the Ohio Department of Health announces a Public Hearing at the date and time listed above to hear comments regarding the following action:

3701-3-02.1(R), 3701-2.2, 3701-3-05, 3701-3-06, 3701-3-14, 3701-3-15

This package provides for the reporting of communicable diseases by local health departments, health care providers, laboratories, poison control prevention and treatment centers, and pharmacies, provides for the reporting of occupational diseases by physicians however, this is being removed due to the removal of the statutory authority. This rule package lists the diseases that are likely to be transmitted by air or blood during the normal course of an emergency medical worker's duties and is amended to add Middle East Respiratory Syndrome to the list, remove other diseases from the list, and group viral hemorrhagic fevers together rather than list them separately, describes the manner in which reports by health care providers and by laboratories of positive results must be provided. The rule is amended to update language, describes the manner in which local boards of health must report diseases, outbreaks, unusual incidence, or epidemics of diseases to ODH. The rule is amended to update language, specifies the reporting requirements for poison control prevention and treatment centers as well as other health-related entities. The rule is amended to update language and specifies the reporting requirements for pharmacies and pharmacists.

## **Hearing and Contact Information:**

Information about the hearing, people affected by the proposed action may appear via teleconference and be heard or in tandem with an attorney. They may present their positions, arguments, or contentions orally or in writing; may offer witnesses; and may present evidence showing that the proposed rule, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful. To aid in getting the call to be organized and go as smooth as possible, any persons intending to testify on the tele-Public Hearing or planning to observe are encouraged to email Alicyn.Carrel@odh.ohio.gov immediately.

Please include in the subject of your email – TESTIFYING IN PUBLIC HEARING and the DATE of the Public Hearing in which you are testifying.

Copies of the proposed rules will be available on the Register of Ohio website:

http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/rules/search approximately one day after the rule is filed, or from the Office of the General Counsel, Ohio Department of Health (https://odh.ohio.gov/health-rules-laws-and-forms)