

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities hereby gives notice of its intent to adopt the below-listed rules under Chapter 5123:2-17 of the Ohio Administrative Code on a permanent basis on or about August 4, 2006, and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5123:2-17-03 entitled "Abuser Registry" is being proposed for rescission based on a five-year review of the rule conducted under section 119.032 of the Revised Code and replaced with a proposed new rule by the same number.

Rule 5123:2-17-03 entitled "Abuser Registry" is a new rule being proposed for adoption. The purpose of this rule is to set forth procedures to be used to determine whether the name of a person should be placed on the registry established under section 5123.52 of the Revised Code.

A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on **June 23, 2006**, beginning at **9:30 a.m.**, and continuing until all persons in attendance have had an opportunity to testify. The hearing will be held in the **large conference room of the Department's Administrative Offices Building located at 1810 Sullivant Avenue, Columbus, Ohio**. At this hearing, the Department will accept verbal and/or written testimony on the proposed rules under consideration.

Persons unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments on the proposed rules. 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 by e-mail to becky.phillips@dmr.state.oh.us; by fax at 614/752-5302; or by mail to 1810 Sullivant Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43223-1239.

The proposed rules are available on the Register of Ohio web site at <http://registerofohio.state.oh.us> or on the department's web site at <http://odmrdd.state.oh.us>. The proposed rules are also available for review at each local county board of MRDD.