



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities hereby gives notice of its intent to adopt the following rule of the Administrative Code on a permanent basis on or about May 7, 2015, and to conduct a public hearing thereon.

The Department is proposing to adopt new rule 5123:1-8-01 entitled *Conducting Meetings of the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council Via Interactive Videoconference and Teleconference*. The rule implements House Bill 286 of the 130th General Assembly and authorizes members of the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council to participate in Council meetings via interactive videoconference or teleconference, establishes requirements for conducting Council meetings via interactive videoconference or teleconference, and establishes a policy regarding the distribution and circulation of meeting-related documents.

A public hearing on the proposed rule will be held on **March 24, 2015**, 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 under consideration.

Persons unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments on the proposed rule. 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 614/644-5013, or by U.S. mail to 30 East Broad Street, 12th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414.

The rule is available at the Register of Ohio website: <http://registerofohio.state.oh.us> and at the Department's website: <https://doddportal.dodd.ohio.gov/rules/underdevelopment/Pages/default.aspx>. The rule is also available for review at each county board of developmental disabilities.