

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION—FINAL RULE

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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of
Rule: MCA 41-4-9

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the
Proposed Rule: D-0017

Date Rule Proposed: 10/19/06

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: An Advisory Council shall be established to assist the Department of Mental Health, Bureau of Mental Retardation, in developing a long-range state plan for services for individuals with mental retardation. The Council shall provide an avenue for clients, family members, and service providers to communicate and work together in identifying and planning an array of services for those citizens of the state with mental retardation. The council shall participate in the annual update of the plan by reviewing the plan and making recommendations for additions/revisions.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

An oral proceeding was held on this rule:

Date: {Insert Date}
Time: {Insert Time}
Place: {Insert Place}

An oral proceeding was not held on this rule.

The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and

This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.

This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.

The rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule. The differences however are:
Within the scope of the matters in the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption, the logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and
The Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule in question.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: 11/13/06

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Signature and Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing