PCSAO RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

June 2015

PURPOSE: To review and impact new and revised rules developed by ODJFS as a result of new legislation, new federal regulations, or the ongoing process of rule review. The Committee will ensure an effective response at the following stages of the rule-making process:

- During ODJFS drafting of rules (pre-clearance and before)
- At the time of public comments for ODJFS (clearance, original filing, and public hearing)
- During Joint committee on Rule Review (JCARR) process (only when necessary)

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

- The Committee will focus on reviewing and providing input during the early stages of the process (pre-clearance and clearance), rather than the later stages
- The Committee will work closely with ODJFS policy staff to ensure early dialogue and maximum opportunity for input and impact
- Rules should be minimal, according to state and federal mandates
- Rules should support best practice and county flexibility
- Rules should be clear, with little or no need for interpretation

HOW WE WORK:

- As soon as rules that affect PCSAs are considered, staff forwards them to Committee via email
- Upon receipt, Committee members forward rules to key program person in their agency, request review and comments
- Committee members provide that feedback to the Committee
- Staff solicit a Committee member to prepare a Review Guide and lead discussion
- Rules are discussed at meeting; comments/feedback are summarized
- Staff provides summary to Trustees and Execs, along with instructions for how PCSAs can comment directly
- Committee will bring those rules for which there is no consensus PCSA viewpoint and/or for which we need to take a position (public hearing or JCARR hearing), to Trustees for consideration before taking action
- PCSAO and members submit comments to ODJFS
- Monthly meetings via conference call and in-person (as needed)