NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-76-201, the Director, Division of Children and Family Services issues proposed changes to Policy and Publications. These include:

- changes to the referral process for Early Intervention Services
- clarifications regarding the foster parent grievance procedure and protocol for child maltreatment allegations concerning out-of-home placements
- new policy describing therapeutic foster care and the associated referral process
- the addition of the Adult Protective Services to the In Home Consultation Visit Form
- general reformatting and editing to better reflect the Arkansas Practice Model and current organizational structure.

The proposed changes are available for review at the Division of Children and Family Services, Policy Unit, 5th floor Donaghey Plaza South, 7th and Main Streets, Little Rock, AR. 72203-1437. All comments must be submitted in writing to the Policy Unit no later than April 12, 2011. All the proposed changes may be viewed in their entirety at

https://ardhs.sharepointsite.net/CW/Notice% 20of% 20Rule% 20Making/Forms/AllItems.aspx. If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact our Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 501- 682-8830 (Voice) or 501- 682-1442 (TDD). The Arkansas Department of Human Services is in compliance with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act and operates, manages and delivers services without regard to age, religion, disability, political affiliation, veteran status, sex, race, color or national origin.

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