NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 9-28-103, the Director, Division of Children and Family Services issues proposed changes to:

- POLICY VIII-L: SUBSIDIZED GUARDIANSHIP
 - Revised to allow a child who is eighteen (18) years of age or older with an extended Subsidy (i.e., up to the age of 21), to request the termination of a Subsidized Guardianship Agreement, per Act 577 of the 89th General Assembly, Regular Session 2013.
- PROCEDURE VIII-L2: Denial of Subsidized Guardianship Arrangement
 - Revised to require initial denial notice to be sent by DCFS Permanency Specialist in the DCFS Central Office in order to ensure any denial decision and subsequent action is centrally managed.

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 July 13, 2013. 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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