## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

D.C. Department on Disability Services, Rehabilitation Services Administration,
Public Hearing on Proposed Policies

Monday, December 12, 2016, 10:00 am to 12:00pm D.C. Department on Disability Services, Rehabilitation Services Administration 250 E Street, SW Joy Evans Conference Room Washington, DC 20024

Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), and its implementing federal regulations, the D.C. Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) will hold a public hearing on **Monday**, **December 12**, **2016**, to obtain input on the following proposed RSA policies:

- Case Record
- Informed Choice
- Case Closure
- Protection, Use and Release of Personal Information

Prior to the hearing, the public will have **30 calendar days** to submit comments on the proposed policies. The policies are available for review in accessible format on the Agency's website at **www.dds.dc.gov**.

The purpose of the hearing is to ensure that recommendations are received from consumers, service providers, advocacy organizations and other interested individuals on how the agency can better achieve the following:

- Address changes resulting from the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA):
- Provide necessary information to support person-centered decision making in the selection of services and providers;
- > Provide information related to the protection, use and release of personal information.

**Persons who wish to testify** should contact Ms. Linda Grimes, not later than 4:45pm on **November 28, 2016**, and should provide the following: name; address; telephone number; organizational affiliation(s); accommodation need(s); and two (2) copies of the proposed testimony. Ms. Grimes can be reached via email at linda.grimes@dc.gov or via telephone at (202)-442-8670 or 711 Relay. All testimony will be limited to ten (10) minutes.

**Persons who wish to submit comments** can begin doing so starting **November 11, 2016**. Comments may be submitted by U.S. Postal Service or by email:

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Comments sent via email must be received by 4:45 pm **December 7, 2016**; mailed documents must be postmarked by the same date. All questions should be directed to Linda Grimes, 202-442-8670, 711 Relay, or <a href="mailto:linda.grimes@dc.gov">linda.grimes@dc.gov</a>, Monday through Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm.

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Persons who require accommodations to participate in the public hearing should contact Linda Grimes not later than November 28, 2016. Requests can be submitted either via email or mail to:

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