Department of Human Services

Division of Family Development

Advance Notice

Work First New Jersey (WFNJ)

Amendments Concerning WFNJ Behavioral Health Initiative (BHI)

To Whom It May Concern:

The New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development intends to amend the WFNJ regulations, changing all references to the Mental Health Initiative (MHI) by replacing that program name with Behavioral Health Initiative (BHI). In practice the Division refers to this program as BHI, having moved away from the stigmatizing langue associated with MHI. These changes would be made through amendments to N.J.A.C. 10:90-4.9, 10:90-5.15, & 10:90-20.3.

Interested parties may submit informal comments on this advance notice within thirty (30) days of its publication on the Department of Human Services’ website. Please submit your informal comments to:

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You will also have a 60-day opportunity to submit formal comments on any actual proposed amendments subsequent to the publication of such proposal in the New Jersey Register. Such proposal will also be published on the Department of Human Services’ website.