Ohio Revised Code
Section 5101.30 Rules for conditions and procedures for the release of information.
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(A) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code implementing sections 5101.26 to 5101.30 of the Revised Code and governing the custody, use, disclosure, and preservation of the information generated or received by the department of job and family services, county agencies, other state and county entities, contractors, grantees, private entities, or officials participating in the administration of public assistance programs. The rules shall comply with applicable federal statutes and regulations.

(1) The rules shall specify conditions and procedures for the release of information which may include, among other conditions and procedures, both of the following:

(a) Permitting providers of services or assistance under public assistance programs limited access to information that is essential for the providers to render services or assistance or to bill for services or assistance rendered. The department of aging, when investigating a complaint under section 173.20 of the Revised Code, shall be granted any limited access permitted in the rules pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section.

(b) Permitting a contractor, grantee, or other state or county entity limited access to information that is essential for the contractor, grantee, or entity to perform administrative or other duties on behalf of the department or county agency. A contractor, grantee, or entity given access to information pursuant to division (A)(2) of this section is bound by the director's rules, and disclosure of the information by the contractor, grantee, or entity in a manner not authorized by the rules is a violation of section 5101.27 of the Revised Code.

(2) The rules may define who is an "authorized representative" for purposes of sections 5101.27 and 5101.272 of the Revised Code.

(B) Whenever names, addresses, or other information relating to public assistance recipients is held
by any agency other than the department or a county agency, that other agency shall adopt rules consistent with sections 5101.26 to 5101.30 of the Revised Code to prevent the publication or disclosure of names, lists, or other information concerning those recipients.