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**Job and Family Services Department Offering Free Webinars on Key Topics**

**Cincinnati (Dec. 6, 2010)** Hamilton County's Job and Family Services Department will host two free webinars in December on the topics of sanctioning public assistance recipients who do not meet work requirements and carefully choosing caretakers for your children.

The half-hour webinars will feature PowerPoint presentations with audio, as well as a chat area where the presenter will answer questions from the audience. The webinar on sanctions will be held from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 8. This will give consumers and those who work with them a better understanding of the consequences of not fulfilling self-sufficiency contracts while receiving cash assistance from the agency.

The webinar on Choosing Your Partner Carefully will be offered from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 15. This will detail warning signs for single parents and those who support them to look for when deciding who is an appropriate caregiver for their children.

"Webinars are a consumer-friendly way of reaching people where they are and educating key audiences about some of the important topics we tackle on a daily basis at JFS," said Moira Weir, agency director. "We also plan to record the webinars so people can watch later."

To register for either webinar, visit <http://www.hcjfs.hamilton-co.org/TodayatHCJFS/2010/11/Webinars1011009.htm> and utilize the embedded forms, or send an e-mail to [boehmm@jfs.hamilton-co.org](mailto:boehmm@jfs.hamilton-co.org). Please specify which webinars you plan to attend.

Attendees will get an e-mail with this in the subject line: "HCJFS has invited you to a Dimdim Web Meeting." Dimdim is the webinar provider.

**About Hamilton County's Department of Job and Family Services**

The Department of Job and Family Services administers federal, state and local programs for those in need. The Department helps with local child protection, elderly protection, child care, child support enforcement, workforce development, cash assistance, food assistance and Medicaid disbursement. Servicing Hamilton County since 1947, the Department helps hundreds of thousands each year and is accredited by the Council on Accreditation, an international, independent, not-for-profit child and family service accrediting organization.