STATE BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Department of Public Health

RULE NUMBER AND TITLE: 420-4-1-.06 HIV Testing Procedures

INTENDED ACTION: Amendment to Rule 420-4-1-.06

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The proposed changes will address the use of rapid, point-of-care tests for HIV, expand the criteria that permit a positive HIV test result to be confirmed, and allow consent for HIV testing to be included in a general consent for services.

TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing will be held on November 4, 2008 at 1:00 p.m., RSA Tower, Room 1586, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, AL 36104.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENTS AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written or oral comments will be received until the close of the record at 5:00 p.m. on <u>December 4, 2008</u>. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Charles Woernle, Department of Public Health, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 1466, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Telephone number (334) 206-5325.

Patricia E. Ivie, Agency Secretary