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**Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Demonstration Waiver for Complex Medical Needs
Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period**

The Idaho Department of Welfare gives notice of intent to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for an 1115(d) demonstration waiver on or about January 5, 2018. The purpose of the Complex Medical Needs (CMN) waiver is to provide Medicaid coverage to children and adults who have a complex medical condition(s). The waiver will provide access to consistent and comprehensive coverage which fully meets the needs of this population. The proposed effective date for the waiver is July 1, 2018.

Today, Idahoans living with complex, life-threatening medical conditions rely on a mix of federally subsidized insurance, catastrophic health care fund coverage, and charity care to meet their needs. This variable coverage results in challenges for people who are trying to manage their complex condition at a time when they have the most difficulty in managing those challenges effectively due to their condition. By providing a reliable and comprehensive source of coverage, the CMN waiver will allow for better outcomes for this population while reducing the negative impacts of unpredictable costs for these consumers and for the healthcare marketplace.

The Department's comprehensive public notice, tribal notice and the waiver application are available on our website at www.complexmedicalneeds.dhw.idaho.gov. The Department is seeking public comment through public hearings, the interactive form available on the website, via email or traditional mail as indicated below. Public hearings will be held at the following locations:

Boise Public Hearing

Location: Pete T. Cenarrusa Bldg.
7th Floor, Conference Rm. 7A
450 W. State St.

Date: December 7, 2017

Time: 11:00AM - 1:00 PM

Pocatello Public Hearing

Location: DHW Region VI
Suite #230
1070 Hiline Rd.

Date: December 8, 2017

Time: 11:00AM - 1:00PM

Coeur d'Alene Public Hearing

Location: DHW Region I
Large Conference Rm.
1120 Ironwood Dr.

Date: December 12, 2017

Time: 10:00AM - 12:00PM PDT

Conference line for all dates and locations:

Call: 1-877-820-7831

Guest Code: 701700

Interested parties may also request hard copies of the waiver packet or submit comments via email or traditional USPS mail to:

Attention: Cindy Brock
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Public comments will be accepted until December 15, 2017.