

Proof of Public Noticing

Idaho's HCBS Statewide Transition Plan (v4)

For June 2016 Posting

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#1 – WEBPAGE

The Transition Plan and comment process were posted at www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov

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HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Idaho State Transition Plan, Coming Into Compliance with HCBS Setting Requirements Public Notice and Request for Comment

Post Date: June 3, 2016
Comments will be accepted through: July 4, 2016
Contact: Michele Turbert, Medicaid 208-364-1946

Purpose

The purpose of this posting is to provide public notice and receive public comments for consideration regarding version four of Idaho Medicaid's Home and Community Based Services Settings Transition Plan. The full Transition Plan can be found by selecting the link in the right hand column titled: Idaho State Transition Plan, v4.

Transition Plan

The Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published regulations in the Federal Register on January 16, 2014, which became effective on March 17, 2014, implementing new requirements for Medicaid's 1915(c), 1915(i), and 1915(k) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers. These regulations require the state to submit a transition plan for all the state's 1915(c) waiver and 1915(i) HCBS state plan programs. This plan sets forth the actions Idaho will take to operate all applicable HCBS programs in compliance with the final rules. It is Idaho's effort to comply/demonstrate compliance with the regulations around Home and Community Based (HCB) setting requirements. Idaho will be submitting its updated transition plan to CMS in July, 2016.

Copies of this version may be obtained by printing the Transition Plan v4 from this webpage. Copies may also be picked up from any Regional Medicaid Office or at the Medicaid Central Office located at 3232 Elder St., Boise ID.

Public Comment Submission Process

The state of Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Medicaid is seeking public input on the transition plan. Please take the time to comment on the transition plan and whether or not you believe it includes sufficient activities for the state of Idaho to comply with the new HCBS regulations.

Comments should be submitted by July 4, 2016. Comments and input regarding the transition plan may be submitted in the following ways:

1. On this webpage in the right hand column you will see an "Ask the Program" section. There you can use the **Email the program** tab to email your comments directly to the program.
2. By e-mail: HCBSSettings@dhw.idaho.gov
3. By written comments sent to:
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Division of Medicaid, Attn. Transition Plan
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Boise, ID 83720-0009
4. By FAX: (208) 332-7286 (please include: Attention HCBS)
5. By calling toll free to leave a voicemail message: 1 (855) 249-5024

All comments will be tracked and summarized. The summary of comments in addition to a summary of modifications made in response to the public comments will be added to the Statewide Transition Plan. In cases where the state's determination differs from public comment, the additional evidence and rationale the state used to confirm the determination will be added to the Transition Plan as well. The Transition Plan will then be submitted to CMS. Once it is submitted to CMS, the updated Transition Plan will be reposted on the HCBS webpage listed above.

Transition Plan Summary

Idaho completed a preliminary analysis of its residential HCBS settings in late summer of 2014. This analysis identified areas where the new regulations on residential settings are supported in Idaho as well as areas that will need to be strengthened in order to align Idaho's HCBS programs with the regulations. Actions necessary for Idaho to come into full compliance have been identified in the Transition Plan along with a timeline for completing those actions.

The plan further outlines the process Idaho will use to assess the HCB residential settings to ensure they are integrated in and support full access of individuals to the greater community.

States must also make a determination that settings where HCB services are provided do not have the characteristics of an institutional setting as described by CMS. The Transition Plan describes Idaho's work to date in relationship to this requirement as well as its plans for completing that assessment.

Idaho has now completed its systemic assessment of the state's compliance with the HCBS regulations. The state will complete its systemic remediation activities by July 1, 2017. Site specific assessments and remediation will be initiated in January of 2017. The plan outlines this process as well as Idaho's plan for transitioning impacted participants to compliant settings where necessary. All outstanding milestones and corresponding timelines are identified in the plan.

Frequently Asked Questions

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Information for Self Direction Support Brokers
Information for Family Direction Support Brokers
New Federal Regulations Impact Your Medicaid Participants - For CFH Providers

Ask The Program

We are interested in receiving your comments, recommendations, and questions as we work to move to full compliance with the new HCBS setting requirements. The State's Transition Plan - Version 4 is posted here under **Resources**. If you have any questions or comments about the plan or the new requirements (see Final Regulation under **Resources**) please send us an email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Email the program

Home and Community Based Services Rules

Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) proposed rules that were published on October 7, 2015 have been heard by the Idaho Legislature's Health and Welfare committees. On Monday January 25, 2016 the Medicaid HCBS rules passed unanimously in the Idaho Senate and also passed unanimously in the Idaho House of Representatives on Friday, January 29, 2016. The final Medicaid HCBS rules will be published on and become effective on July 1, 2016. These rules are necessary for the state of Idaho to move into full compliance with the Federal law passed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

The Medicaid HCBS rules will be used to ensure that individuals receiving Medicaid HCBS are integrated in and supported to gain full access to their community. Idaho Medicaid is currently working with stakeholders to establish a toolkit that will benefit Idaho providers of Medicaid HCBS services to come into compliance with the HCBS IDAPA rules.

Home and Community Based Settings

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CMS expects all states to develop a HCBS transition plan that provides an assessment of potential gaps in compliance with the new regulation, as well as strategies and timelines for becoming compliant with the rule's requirements. CMS further requires that states seek input from the public in the development of this transition plan.

Idaho has completed its' fourth version of the state plan. This plan sets forth the actions Idaho will take to operate all applicable HCBS programs in compliance with the final rules. It is Idaho's effort to comply/demonstrate compliance with the regulations around Home and Community Based (HCB) setting requirements. To access the updated Idaho Transition Plan, please go to Resources in the right hand column, Idaho Transition Plan - Version 4.

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#2 - MEDICAID OFFICE POSTINGS

A notice was posted in the Medicaid Central office as well as in all regional Medicaid offices statewide announcing the comment period and how to comment. Printed copies of the Transition Plan were made available at all locations. Photos of those postings are provided below along with a copy of the printed notice.

PUBLIC NOTICE

And Request for Comments

Idaho State Transition Plan: Coming into Compliance with HCBS Setting Requirements

Post Date: JUNE 3, 2016

Comments Accepted until: JULY 4, 2016

Background

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How can I get a copy of the plan?

- Pick up a free printed copy at the Medicaid Central Office or at any regional Medicaid office statewide.
- The plan is posted on the State HCBS webpage for reading or printing at <http://www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov>

How can I provide comments?

By E-mail: HCBSSettings@dhw.idaho.gov

Written - letter: Comments may be sent to the following address:

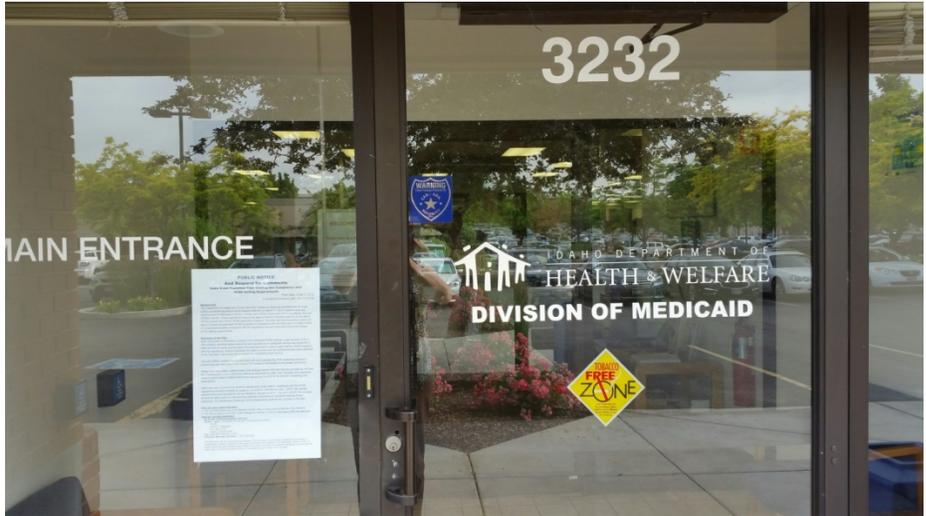
HCBS
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P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0009

Fax: (208) 332-7286 Attn: HCBS

Voicecall Message (toll-free): 1 (855) 249-5024

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CENTRAL OFFICE – Boise, Idaho

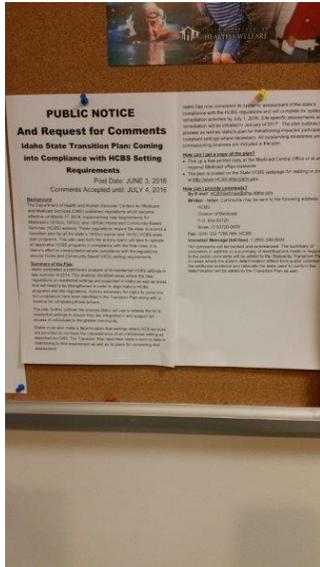


REGION #1 – Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

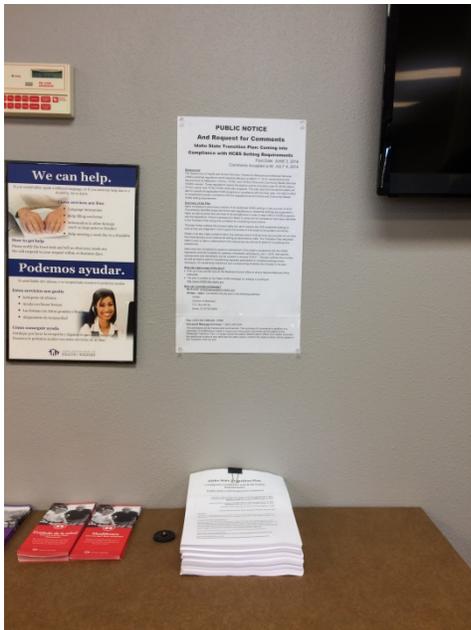


REGION #2 – Lewiston, Idaho

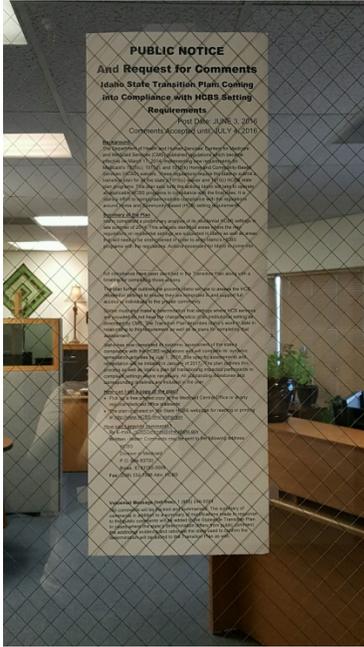
Region 2 office is behind locked doors. The notice was placed in the second floor Lewiston State Office Building locked glass case where they display Public Notices.



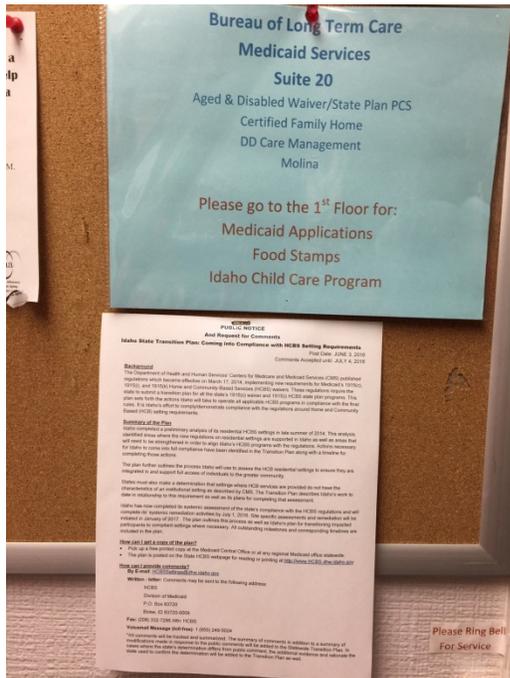
REGION #3 – Caldwell, Idaho



REGION #6 – Pocatello, Idaho



REGION #7 – Idaho Falls, Idaho



#3 – EMAIL NOTICES

Email notices were sent to all stakeholder groups announcing the opening of the comment period. In total the email you see below was sent to seven contact groups that included advocates, various organizations across the state that work with the populations served via HCBS, providers and others who had requested over the last several months to be included in our contacts related to this effort.

From: HCBSSettings
Sent: Thursday, June 02, 2016 11:55 AM
Subject: Updated Idaho HCBS Statewide Transition Plan now posted for comment

Hello,

The updated Idaho State Transition Plan v4 for home and community based services and settings has been posted at www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov. The Department will accept comments on the plan from June 3, 2016 through midnight July 4, 2016. You may pick up a copy of the plan at any Regional Medicaid office or at the Medicaid Central office at 3232 Elder St., Boise. All comments received about the HCBS plan will be reviewed and summarized. The summary of comments, in addition to a summary of modifications made in response to public comment, will be added to the Statewide Transition Plan. In cases where the state's determination differs from public comment, the additional evidence and rationale the state used to confirm the determination will be added to the Transition Plan as well.

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4. Fax: (208) 332-7286, please include: Attention HCBS
5. Voicemail Message at this toll free line: 1-(855) 249-5024

Thank you again for your support and involvement in this effort. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated!

The Medicaid HCBS Project Team

#4 – NEWSPAPER POSTINGS

The comment period was announced in four major newspapers in Idaho. Proof of those newspaper notices follow.

IDAHO PRESS TRIBUNE

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1 IDAHO DEPT. OF HEALTH & WELFARE

MEDICAID OFFICE OF REIMBURSEMENT
P.O. BOX 83720
BOISE ID 83720

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF IDAHO }
County of Canyon } SS.

Sharon Jessen
of Nampa, Canyon County, Idaho, being
first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I am a citizen of the United States, and at all times hereinafter mentioned was over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the above entitled action.
2. That I am the Principle Clerk of the Idaho Press-Tribune, a daily newspaper published in the City of Nampa, in the County of Canyon, State of Idaho; that the said newspaper is in general circulation in the said County of Canyon, and in the vicinity of Nampa and Caldwell, and has been uninterruptedly published in said County during a period of seventy-eight consecutive weeks prior to the first publication of this notice, a copy of which is hereto attached.
3. That the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, was published in said newspaper 1 time(s) in the regular and entire issue of said paper, and was printed in the newspaper proper, and not in a supplement.

That said notice was published the following:
04/26/2016

Sharon Jessen
STATE OF IDAHO

(County of Canyon)

On this 26th day of April in the year of 2016 before me a Notary Public, personally appeared Sharon Jessen, known or identified to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledge to me that he/she executed the same.

Suzanne Remick
Notary Public for Idaho
Residing at Canyon County
My Commission expires 07/25/2018



LEGAL NOTICE

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (IDHW) hereby gives notice that it intends to post the Idaho State Transition Plan Addendum for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) on June 3, 2016. As required by 42 CFR § 441.301(c)(6), IDHW will provide a 30-day public notice and comment period regarding the transition plan addendum prior to submission to CMS. Comments will be accepted through July 5, 2016. IDHW may modify the plan based on comments and will then submit the Idaho State Transition Plan Addendum to CMS for review and consideration. The draft Idaho State Transition Plan Addendum will be posted at www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov, and copies will be available at all IDHW regional offices and Medicaid Central Office for pick up.

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Division of Medicaid
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Boise, ID 83720-0000
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April 26, 2016

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PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF IDAHO
County of Bannock

LN 23429

KAREN MASON

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May 29, 2016

LN23429

being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says: that SHE was at all times herein mention a citizen of the United States of America more than 21 years of age, and the Principal Clerk of the Idaho State Journal, a daily newspaper, printed and published at Pocatello, Bannock County Idaho and having a general circulation therein.

That the document or notice, a true copy of which is attached, was published in the said IDAHO STATE JOURNAL, on the following dates, to-wit:

May 29 2016 May 2016
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May 2016 May 2016
May 2016 May 2016

That said paper has been continuously and uninterruptedly published in said County for a period of seventy-eight weeks prior to the publication of said notice of advertisement and is a newspaper within the meaning of the laws of Idaho.

K. Mason

STATE OF IDAHO
COUNTY OF BANNOCK

On this 31st. of May. in the year of 2016, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared KAREN MASON Known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me first duly sworn declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledge to me that he executed the same.

Notary of Public
Lori A. Sekot
Residing at Arimo exp. 3/3/2021



IDAHO STATESMAN

Idaho Statesman
 The Newspaper of the Treasure Valley
 IDAHOSTATESMAN.COM
 PO Box 40, Boise, ID 83707-0040

LEGAL PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Account #	Ad Number	Identification	PO	Amount	Cols	Lines
262720	0002408989	LEGAL NOTICE The Idaho Department of	HCBS-042216H	\$63.68	2	28

Attention: DEA KELLOM
 ID DEPT OF H&W / MEDICAID
 3232 ELDER ST
 BOISE, ID 837054711

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 Pub. Apr. 26, 2016 0002408989-01

JANICE HILDRETH, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That she is the Principal Clerk of The Idaho Statesman, a daily newspaper printed and published at Boise, Ada County, State of Idaho, and having a general circulation therein, and which said newspaper has been continuously and uninterruptedly published in said County during a period of twelve consecutive months prior to the first publication of the notice, a copy of which is attached hereto: that said notice was published in The Idaho Statesman, in conformity with Section 60-108, Idaho Code, as amended, for:

1 Insertions

Beginning issue of: 04/26/2016

Ending issue of: 04/26/2016

Janice Hildreth
 (Legals Clerk)

STATE OF IDAHO)
) SS

COUNTY OF ADA)
 On this 28th day of April in the year of 2016 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared before me Janice Hildreth known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.



Diane B. Campbell
 Notary Public FOR Idaho
 Residing at: Boise, Idaho
 My Commission expires: 7/23/2021

THE POST REGISTER

**Proof of Publication
The Post Register**

**State of Idaho
Bonneville County:**

I, Dawn-Giannini or Staci Dockery, first being duly sworn, depose and say: That I am the Classifieds Manager or Legal Notice Representative of the Post Company, a corporation of Idaho Falls, Bonneville County, Idaho, publishers of The Post Register, a newspaper of general circulation, published Tuesday through Sunday at Idaho Falls, Idaho; said Post Register being a consolidation of the Idaho Falls Times, established in the year 1890, The Idaho Register, established in the year 1880, and the Idaho Falls Post, established in 1903, such consolidation being made on the First day of November 1931, and each of said newspapers have been published continuously and uninterruptedly, prior to consolidation, for more than twelve consecutive months and said Post Register having been published continuously and uninterruptedly from the date of such consolidations up to and including the last publication of notice hereinafter referred to.

That the notice, of which a copy is hereto attached and made a part of this affidavit, was published in said Post Register under this ad number: 781525, for 1 consecutive (days) weeks, between 04/23/2016 and 04/23/2016,

and that the said notice was published in the regular and entire issue of said paper on the respective dates of publication, and that such notice was published in the newspaper and not in a supplement.

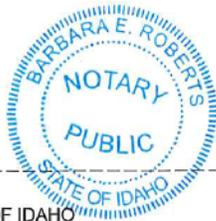
Staci Dockery

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25 day of April 2016

Barbara E Roberts

Notary Public

My Commission expires: 5/9/2019



----- attached jurat -----

STATE OF IDAHO

ss.

COUNTY OF BONNEVILLE

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25 day of April 2016, before me, the undersigned, a Notary public for said state, personally appeared Dawn-Giannini or Staci Dockery, known or identified to me to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same,

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Barbara E Roberts

Notary Public for The Post Company
Residing at: Idaho Falls
My Commission expires: 5/9/2019



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Published: April 23, 2016 (781525)

#5 - THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT WAS POSTED FOR PROVIDERS AT WWW.IDMEDICAID.COM AND ON INTERCOMM

Medicaid maintains a portal for providers where a variety of announcements are made on a regular basis. The announcement below was posted there for the entire comment period.

The screenshot shows the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare website. The header includes the department logo and the MOLINA logo. A navigation bar contains 'Home' and 'Provider' tabs, with the date 'Thu, June 2, 2016' on the right. The main content area displays a breadcrumb trail: 'Idaho Medicaid Health PAS OnLine > Announcements > Home and Community Based Service Settings Public Comments'. Below this is a section titled 'Announcements - Home and Community Based Service Settings...' with a 'Close' button. The announcement details are as follows:

Title	Home and Community Based Service Settings Public Comments
Body	Public Comments Due by July 4, 2016 The updated Idaho State Transition Plan – Version 4, for Home and Community Based Service Settings is now posted for public comment at www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov . Comments will be taken through midnight, July 4, 2016.
Expires	7/4/2016

Below the table, the content type is listed as 'Announcement', created at 6/1/2016 4:16 PM by hopemccain, and last modified at 6/1/2016 4:16 PM by hopemccain. A second 'Close' button is located at the bottom right of the announcement box.

Left Navigation Menu:

- Announcements
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 - Medicaid Fee Schedules

#6 TRIBAL NOTICE

A notice was sent directly to all the tribal representatives in Idaho announcing the posting of the Transition Plan and soliciting comments.



C.L. 'BUTCH' OTTER – Governor
RICHARD M. ARMSTRONG – Director

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & WELFARE

LISA HETTINGER - Administrator
DIVISION OF MEDICAID
Post Office Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0009
PHONE: (208) 334-5747
FAX: (208) 364-1811

April 1, 2016

Dear Tribal Representative:

The purpose of this letter is to give notice that Idaho must complete a transition plan to comply with the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) final Home and Community Services (HCBS) setting regulations. The transition plan was last published for public comment on September 11, 2015.

On June 3, 2016, Idaho will post a draft addendum of the existing HCBS transition plan in order to receive stakeholder input. The full transition plan along with the addendum to the plan will be located at www.HCBS.dhw.idaho.gov. Copies of the documents will be available at all IDHW regional offices and Medicaid Central Office for pick up.

Compliance with the CMS final HCBS regulations may result in one or more of the following:

1. Amendments to Idaho's 1915(c) waivers (Aged and Disabled Waiver, Developmental Disabilities Waiver, Children's Developmental Disability Waiver, Act Early Waiver);
2. Amendments to Idaho's 1915(i) State Plan services;
3. Revisions to the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act (IDAPA) §16.03.10.

Medicaid would appreciate your feedback regarding this notice prior to July 4, 2016.

Comments and input regarding the draft transition plan may be submitted in the following ways:

E-mail: HCBSSettings@dhw.idaho.gov.

Written: Comments may be sent to the following address:

HCBS
Division of Medicaid
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0009

Fax: (208) 332-7286

Voicemail Message: Toll free at (855) 249-5024

Sincerely,

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Administrator

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#7 PHONE MESSAGE FROM THE COMMENT LINE

A phone line was established for the duration of the comment period where stakeholders could leave comments. The following message was what was heard by any caller.

Voice Mail Message for HCBS Transition Plan 06/03/16 through 07/05/16

Hello and thank you for calling the Idaho State Transition Plan comment line for home and community based settings. You will not receive a direct response to your comment or questions. All comments or questions will be transcribed, saved and summarized in a final version of the State Transition Plan. The updated State Transition Plan, with a summary of all comments and changes made based on this comment period, will be available and posted on the HCBS Webpage in early August once it has been submitted to CMS.