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To: Behavioral Health Programs and Community Stakeholders

From: The Division of Behavioral Health

Re: Expiration of IDAPA 16.07.15

In response to the Red Tape Reduction Act and Medicaid Expansion, the Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) has taken a very close look at the Behavioral Health Program approval rule (IDAPA 16.07.15). After consideration of the value, function, and effectiveness of the rule, we have determined that eliminating this rule chapter will reduce duplication, confusion, and multi-step credentialing processes for publicly-funded community behavioral health treatment programs in Idaho.

This rule will expire on the final day of Idaho’s 2020 Legislative session (Sine Die). DBH will accept new applications from Behavioral Health Programs until 12/31/19. For programs that currently hold state approval, the renewal application process will remain unchanged until the rule expires.

If you have any questions, please email BHIDAPAQuestions@dhw.idaho.gov.

Thank you.