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TO: Idaho Dual Eligible Stakeholders

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**SUBJECT: Idaho Medicaid Plus Program Expansion – Ada and Canyon Counties
Planned for August 1, 2019 Implementation**

Idaho Medicaid is pleased to expand its managed care coverage for Idaho dual eligible members, also known as “Duals.” As you may be aware, Molina Healthcare of Idaho has joined Blue Cross of Idaho as a second health plan that offers the Medicare Medicaid Coordinated Plan (MMCP) in certain Idaho counties.

Idaho Medicaid implemented a new program for duals, called Idaho Medicaid Plus, in **Twin Falls County** on November 1, 2018 and **Bonneville, Bingham, and Bannock Counties** on April 1, 2019. Idaho Medicaid Plus is a single managed care source of all Medicaid benefits for duals that have not enrolled in the MMCP and are not in an excluded population. Tribal members, pregnant women, and individuals receiving Adult Developmental Disability Waiver services are excluded from mandatory enrollment into Idaho Medicaid Plus.

Duals must select and enroll in one of the available health plans to administer their Medicaid benefits once Idaho Medicaid Plus is implemented in their county of residence. If the member does not choose a health plan by a certain deadline, they will be randomly assigned to one of the available health plans.

Pending successful implementation in Nez Perce, Kootenai, and Bonner Counties, Idaho Medicaid plans to implement Idaho Medicaid Plus in Ada and Canyon Counties effective August 1, 2019.

Members in these counties that have not enrolled in the MMCP and are not in an excluded population will be mailed initial enrollment notices on **May 1, 2019**.

Please visit <http://MMCP.dhw.idaho.gov> for ongoing updates, a calendar of outreach events, and additional information. If you have further questions, please contact IdahoDuals@dhw.idaho.gov.

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