

**IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**16.04.17 – RULES GOVERNING RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION AGENCIES**

**DOCKET NO. 16-0417-1701**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES – NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING**

**AUTHORITY:** In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 39-4605, Idaho Code.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** Public meetings on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

<b>Thursday December 8, 2016 1:00 pm (Local)</b>	<b>Friday December 9, 2016 1:30 pm (Local)</b>	<b>Monday December 12, 2016 1:30 pm (Local)</b>
<b>Medicaid Central Office - DHW 3232 W. Elder Street Conf. Rooms D-East &amp; D-West Boise, ID</b>	<b>Twin Falls - DHW Office 601 Pole Line Road Conference Rooms A &amp; C Twin Falls, ID</b>	<b>Pocatello - DHW Office 1070 Hiline Road Room 230 Pocatello, ID</b>
<b>Wednesday December 14, 2016 1:30 pm (Local)</b>	<b>Monday January 30, 2017 8:30 am (Local)</b>	<b>Friday February 3, 2017 10:30 am (Local)</b>
<b>Idaho Falls - DHW Office 150 Shoup Avenue 2nd Floor Large Conference Room Idaho Falls, ID</b>	<b>Lewiston - DHW Office 1118 F Street 3rd Floor Conference Room Lewiston, ID</b>	<b>Northern Idaho - DHW Office 1120 Ironwood Drive Suite 102 Large Conference Room Coeur d’Alene, ID</b>

**METHOD OF PARTICIPATION:** Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking may do any of the following:

1. Attend the negotiated rulemaking meetings as scheduled above;
2. Provide oral or written recommendations, or both, at the negotiated rulemaking meetings;
3. Submit written recommendations and comments to this address on or before February 10, 2017:

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P.O. Box 83720  
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**DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY:** The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The Department is holding negotiated rulemaking meetings on this chapter to update and revise certification requirements for Residential Habilitation Agencies operating in Idaho.

**CONTACT INFORMATION, WEB ADDRESS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS:** For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, contact Eric Brown at (208) 334-0649. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking under Docket 16-0417-1701, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the Department's web site at the following web address: [www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov](http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov)

All written comments on the negotiated rules must be directed to the contact person above and must be delivered on or before Friday, February 10, 2017.

DATED this 4th day of November, 2016.

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