THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF IDAHO BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2009-04

ESTABLISHING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION WORKGROUP REPEALING AND REPLACING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2009-03

WHEREAS, Idaho citizens and their families should have appropriate access to quality services provided through the public mental health and substance abuse systems that are coordinated, efficient and accountable; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's mental health and substance use disorder system is fragmented; and

WHEREAS, recent findings through the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) identified weaknesses facing Idaho's coordination of the co-occurring mental health and substance abuse services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this state do hereby create the Governor's Behavioral Health Transformation Workgroup (Workgroup).

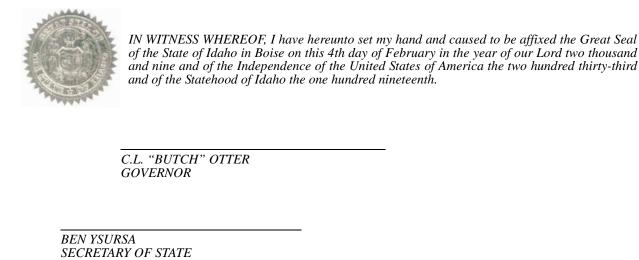
- (1) Members of the Workgroup shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- (2) The chair of the Workgroup shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- (3) The members of the Workgroup shall include but are not limited to:
 - Director, Department of Health and Welfare;
 - Director, Department of Correction;
 - Director, Department of Juvenile Corrections;
 - Superintendent of the State Department of Education;
 - Representatives of law enforcement;
 - *Administrator, Office of Drug Policy;*
 - Chair of the Statewide Drug and Mental Health Court Coordinating Committee;
 - Chair of Idaho State Planning Council on Mental Health;
 - One representative from the Association of Idaho counties;
 - One citizen with experience in mental health service delivery issues;
 - One citizen to represent consumers served by the system.
- (4) The Workgroup shall:
 - (a) Develop a plan for a coordinated, efficient state behavioral health infrastructure with clear responsibilities, leadership authority and action; and

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- (b) Provide for stakeholder participation in the development and evaluation of the plan.
- (3) The plan shall be presented to the Governor by December, 2009.
- (4) The Workgroup shall also present its plan to both the Senate and House Health and Welfare Committees and the Legislative Healthcare Taskforce during the 2010 legislative session.



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