THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF IDAHO BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2011-01

ESTABLISHING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INTERAGENCY COOPERATIVE

WHEREAS, the Behavioral Health Transformation Work Group established by Executive Order 2010-01 was tasked to develop a plan for a coordinated, efficient state behavioral health infrastructure with clear responsibilities, leadership authority and accountability;

WHEREAS, the Behavioral Health Transformation Work Group has worked diligently to develop an integrated structure and coordinated delivery system;

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (ICSA) codified in section 39-303 Idaho State Code is set to sunset on June 30, 2011;

WHEREAS, ICSA has made progress in bringing about open communication between stakeholders and providers resulting in meaningful reform of the state's substance use disorders system and this effort should continue; and

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 Behavioral Health Interagency Cooperative (Cooperative).

- 1. Members of the Cooperative shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- 2. The Chair of the Cooperative shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- 3. The members of the Cooperative shall include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Director, Department of Health and Welfare;
 - b. Administrator, Office of Drug Policy;
 - c. Director, Department of Correction;
 - d. Director, Department of Juvenile Corrections; and
 - e. One representative from the State Mental Health Planning Council.
- 4. The following representatives from other levels and branches of government shall be invited by the Governor to participate on the Council:
 - a. Administrator of the Idaho Courts;
 - b. Superintendent of Public Instruction; and
 - c. One representative of the counties;
- 5. The Cooperative shall:
 - a. Work in close coordination with local and state government, the judiciary, and specifically with the Idaho Health Care Council, the Office of the Governor and members of the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare;
 - b. Review and confirm recommendations, statewide standards, guidelines, contract templates, core services, and other elements of the behavioral health system as they are developed;
 - *c. Provide input on any draft legislation regarding the transformation of the behavioral health system;*

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- d. Facilitate transformation efforts as described in the BHTWG Plan for transformation of Idaho's Behavioral health System (October 2010), with consideration for fiscal restrictions in Idaho's budget, current needs of the agencies, and recommendations of the Idaho Health Care Council;
- e. Be able to establish workgroups, subcommittees or other structures to address specific issues or to assist in its work;
- f. Produce and present a status report of the Cooperative's efforts to the Office of the Governor on an annual basis beginning on November 1, 2011; and
- g. Meet as necessary and at the direction of the chair.
- 6. This executive order shall be effective for two (2) years from the date of signature.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 27th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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