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# Idaho Medical Association

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## IMAgEs

February 15, 2018

**Blue Cross of Idaho to Offer Plans That Skirt Obamacare** On February 13, Blue Cross of Idaho submitted to Idaho insurance regulators a set of five health insurance plans that it hopes to sell this spring under Governor Butch Otter's controversial executive order.

The executive order and subsequent guidance from the Idaho Department of Insurance set the stage for Idaho insurers to create "state-based" health plans that do not comply with the Affordable Care Act, or Obamacare. Blue Cross is the first to file its plans, which could be approved to go to market as early as next month.

"We're excited that they've filed," said Dean Cameron, director of the Idaho Department of Insurance. "Obviously, we're going to review their application carefully and review their rate carefully to make sure they meet our state guidelines, but we're excited for Idaho consumers, because now they'll be given a choice."

On February 14, the new head of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) said in Congress that he plans to uphold the Affordable Care Act, according to The Hill. (<http://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/health-reform-implementation/373799-hhs-head-says-he-will-uphold-obamacare-as-law>)

"I'm not aware that our opinions or views have been solicited," said Secretary Alex Azar, referring to Idaho's move to let insurers sell plans that don't comply with the ACA. "There are rules, and there's a rule of law that we need to enforce."

But Cameron said earlier this month that Idaho officials had talked with Azar's predecessor about their plans and have been in communication with agencies within HHS. They answered questions and received no pushback from the federal regulators so far, he said

"We have shared the guidance with them," Cameron said.

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Blue Cross estimates that pool of possible customers is 110,000 strong - uninsured middle-class Idahoans.

Many of those Idahoans are going without health insurance because they make too much money to qualify for federal premium subsidies. As premiums rose by more than 20 percent annually in recent years, subsidies have covered the brunt of that increase for lower-income Idahoans, but families making at least 400 percent of the poverty level have been paying full price.

"Their premium has gone from a car payment to a mortgage," said Dave Jeppesen, Blue Cross executive vice president of consumer health care.

The new plans are pretty similar to what Blue Cross is selling on Idaho's health insurance exchange, Your Health Idaho. Deductibles range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. They cover all of the "essential health benefits" that the Affordable Care Act requires, Blue Cross officials said.

One of the plans - a \$5,500-deductible HSA plan - does not include maternity benefits. But the others do.

Like Blue Cross's ACA-compliant plans, the "state-based" plans would have narrow networks. That means customers would have to choose between networks of mainly St. Luke's or mainly Saint Alphonsus providers in the Boise area, for example. And the cost of going outside those networks would be extreme - five or six figures - which is also true of Blue Cross' ACA-compliant plans.

There are some key differences. Under Blue Cross' example "state-based" plan, copays are slightly smaller. But patients would have to pay thousands of dollars more for care before insurance would fully cover their costs. The out-of-pocket maximums in the sample plan are far higher for prescription drugs as well. Those changes combined could more than double a patient's responsibility for total medical costs. [Dutton, *Idaho Statesman*, 2/14]

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The Idaho Medical Association Welcomes New Members A warm welcome to these physicians who have recently joined the IMA:

Daniel C. Abenroth, MD, Vascular Neurology, Boise  
 Kelly J. Anderson, MD, Pediatrics, Idaho Falls  
 Jacqueline Bell, DO, Psychiatry, Boise  
 Phillip L. Chaffin, Jr., MD, Otolaryngology, Pediatric Otolaryngology, Boise  
 John R. Condie, MD, Neurology, Clinical Neurophysiology, Boise  
 Matthew J. Cox, MD, Pediatrics, Boise  
 David Coyle, MD, Cardiovascular Disease, Interventional Cardiology, Meridian  
 Zachary L. Hale, MD, Emergency Medicine, Boise  
 John R. Hatzenbuehler, MD, Family Medicine, Family Medicine - Sports Medicine, Hailey  
 Christopher D. Larson, DO, Anesthesiology, Boise  
 Lynn Luginbuhl, MD, Pediatric Infectious Diseases, Boise  
 Andrew E. Moore, MD, Orthopedic Surgery, Boise  
 James T. Nelson, MD, Anesthesiology, Boise  
 JP E. Prouty, MD, Family Medicine, Hailey  
 Joni Shriver, DO, Emergency Medicine, Boise

Cong Zhi Zhao, MD, Neurology, Meridian

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**Important Reminder: 2017 MIPS Reporting Deadlines** The 2017 Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) performance period has ended and data reporting needs to be submitted by the end of March to avoid Medicare penalties in 2019.

The two key deadlines are:

March 16 at 8 pm Eastern time for group reporting at <https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/individual-or-group-participation/about-group-registration>

March 31 for all other MIPS reporting, including via [qpp.cms.gov](http://qpp.cms.gov)

Visit [qpp.cms.gov](http://qpp.cms.gov) and click on the “Sign-In” tab to use the data submission feature.

When reporting, have your CMS Enterprise Identity Management (EIDM) credentials ready, or get an EIDM account if you don’t have one. An EIDM account gives you a single ID to use across multiple CMS systems.

For additional information, visit the home page of the IMA website – [www.idmed.org](http://www.idmed.org) and click in MIPS Reporting Deadlines: What You Need to Know in the “News” section.

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## Idaho Medicaid’s Proposed Use of Probability Sampling and Extrapolation in Audits

In January, the Idaho Medicaid Program Integrity Unit (MPIU) posted proposed internal guidelines they would use for sampling and extrapolation. MPIU opened a survey to collect comments from Medicaid providers regarding the proposed guidelines. IMA distributed Memo 02(18) on January 23 to all IMA members encouraging participation in the survey with recommendations on the proposed guidelines. The memo is available on the IMA homepage, “News” section at [www.idmed.org](http://www.idmed.org). Meetings have been scheduled to allow in-person discussion of comments for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to consider.

IMA worked with stakeholders to develop recommendations and submitted them to MPIU. The submitted recommendations are also posted to the IMA website at [www.idmed.org](http://www.idmed.org) or you may request a copy from the IMA.

The in-person meetings are scheduled for:

March 5, 2018 – 10:00 am	March 7, 2018 – 12:30 pm	March 8, 2018 – 10:00 am
Central Idaho DHW Office 450 W State Street, Boise 7A Conference Room; 7 <sup>th</sup> floor, Pete T Cenarrusa Bldg	Eastern Idaho DHW Office 1070 Hiline Road, Pocatello Conference Room 230	Northern Idaho DHW Office 1120 Ironwood Dr, Coeur d’Alene Main Conference Room

If you have questions regarding the Medicaid proposed audit guidelines or IMA resolution 109(17) Medicaid’s Use of Probability Sampling and Extrapolation, please contact IMA Reimbursement Director Teresa Cirelli, CPC, CPMA at [teresa@idmed.org](mailto:teresa@idmed.org) or Reimbursement Specialist Kim Burgen, CPC, CPMA at [kim@idmed.org](mailto:kim@idmed.org) or call (208) 344-7888.

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CHIP Extension, IPAB Repeal Part of Federal Budget Deal Early in the morning of February 9, the Senate and House of Representatives passed the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, which President Donald Trump then signed into law. In addition to continuing to fund the federal government through March 23, the most recent continuing resolution (CR) addressed a broad range of health, supplemental spending, budget and tax matters.

The legislation included technical corrections to the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) that were sought by the American Medical Association (AMA) and other physician organizations. Under the budget deal:

- Medicare Part B drug costs will be excluded from payment adjustments under MACRA's Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) and from low-volume threshold determinations.
- Greater flexibility will be provided for an additional three years in scoring and in the weight given to the Cost component of MIPS.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will have more flexibility in setting overall performance thresholds for three more years.
- The Physician Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee's authority has been clarified so that it can provide more helpful feedback on proposed alternative payment models.

Other provisions of interest to physicians include the following:

- The Independent Payment Advisory Board (IPAB) was permanently repealed.
- The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) was extended for an additional four years beyond the previous CR's six-year extension.
- The work Geographic Practice Cost Index floor was extended for two years.
- The statutory requirement for electronic health record standards to become more stringent over time was eliminated.
- Two-year extensions were provided for the National Health Service Corps, Community Health Centers and the Teaching Health Centers Graduate Medical Education program.
- Emergency Medicaid funding was provided for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and supplemental disaster relief was provided for areas recently affected by hurricanes and wildfires.
- Originally, the proposal would have extended the current misvalued code process for 2019 which would have resulted in the elimination of virtually all of the currently scheduled Medicare physician payment update. Instead, the update was reduced from 0.5 percent to 0.25 percent to help offset the cost of other policies that benefited physicians.

Bipartisan agreement was also reached on providing additional funds to address the opioid crisis, to rebuild and improve U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs hospitals and clinics, and for the National Institutes of Health. [AMA Wire, 2/9]

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**Qualis Health and HealthInsight Announce Intent to Merge** The governing boards of Qualis Health and HealthInsight have executed a letter of intent to merge the two organizations and their operations across the U.S., seeking to achieve greater scale and synergy in improving population health and enhancing the quality and value of health care.

Both Qualis Health and HealthInsight have been engaged in health care quality consulting and providing quality improvement services for more than 40 years. Currently they contract with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) as well as Medicaid and other agencies in multiple states. Both organizations maintain a diverse portfolio of additional public- and private-sector business operations across the U.S. The new merged organization will employ more than 500 people, with anticipated annual revenues of over \$80 million.

Qualis Health and HealthInsight will continue to use their current organizational names for ongoing operations until a new, corporate-wide brand is introduced.

Marc Bennett, president and CEO of HealthInsight, will serve as CEO of the merged organization. "HealthInsight is excited to join forces with Qualis Health, a national leader in our industry with a highly skilled team and a strong vision," Bennett said.

Qualis Health president and CEO Jonathan Sugarman, MD, MPH, added, “For the past year the Qualis Health board of directors has been working to ensure a smooth and orderly leadership transition and a strong and sustainable future as I complete my service as Qualis Health’s president and CEO. I am confident that under Marc Bennett’s leadership the impact of the new organization will be even greater than the sum of its parts.”

The organizations anticipate that the merger will become final later this spring, following the completion of required legal filings and regulatory approvals.

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**Take Part in National Physician Survey** The Physicians Foundation, a non-profit organization that seeks to empower physicians to lead in the delivery of high-quality, cost-efficient healthcare is extending an invitation to physicians across America to take part in its sixth biennial national survey. One of the largest physician surveys ever undertaken in the United States, it aims to take the pulse of physicians on the current state of healthcare, allowing them to share their thoughts on morale, health reform, electronic medical records and a variety of other topics.

“This is the one national survey that allows physicians to share their perspective on the state of the medical profession,” said Walker Ray, MD, president of the Physicians Foundation. “We’d like to hear from as many physicians as possible so we can accurately understand – and share with the public – physicians’ perspectives on the most significant issues in medicine and healthcare today.”

This brief survey is being conducted by national physician search and consulting firm Merritt Hawkins and will be emailed to more than 650,000 physicians across the country from March-May of 2018. A full copy of the final survey report will be emailed to all physicians who participate, and participants will also be entered to win one of five \$500 Amazon gift cards and one \$5,000 Amazon gift card.

To participate, physicians can access the survey via this link:

[https://amnhealthcare.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV\\_6nkaYL4Qul3mdgN?Q\\_CHL=preview](https://amnhealthcare.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV_6nkaYL4Qul3mdgN?Q_CHL=preview)

To learn more and access previous Physicians Foundation surveys, visit [www.physiciansfoundation.org](http://www.physiciansfoundation.org).

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**Prepare for April’s New Medicare Card: Webinar** The American Medical Association (AMA) has arranged for a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) briefing on the [new Medicare card](#) on February 21st from 1-2 pm Mountain time. The new Medicare card is a result of MACRA’s requirement that CMS issue Medicare cards that do not display Social Security Numbers to address the risk of beneficiary identity theft. New Medicare cards will be issued beginning in April 2018 and physician offices must be prepared to accept the new Medicare identification number at that time.

As the new Medicare cards will significantly impact physician practices’ workflows, AMA strongly encourages physicians and their office staff, to attend this webinar. It will include time for Q & A and will be recorded for those who are unable to attend.

Register at <https://cc.readytalk.com/registration/#/?meeting=mn4jih9tbue&campaign=8kh2x3u7u5sj>

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Young Physician Section Representative Position Open Recently the Young Physician Section (YPS) Representative to the American Medical Association Zachary Warnock, MD, was elected as the District VII Trustee to the IMA Board of Trustees, leaving the YPS position vacant.

According to the IMA Bylaws, the Board can appoint a qualified member to fill the remainder of the term (2018-2019), and then the individual can stand for election to a new two-year term at the 2019 IMA Annual House of Delegates Meeting.

The Young Physician Section Representative shall be a physician 40 year of age or younger, or a physician who has been in practice less than eight years regardless of age. The YPS Representative shall, at all times while in office, be a member of the American Medical Association. This person shall be a voting member of the Board and shall represent the young physicians within the state of Idaho, attending and representing IMA and young physicians at the American Medical Association annual and interim meetings.

Election to the IMA Board of Trustees allows you to provide policy input and guidance to the organization at the direction of the House of Delegates. The Board meets four times per year. All travel, meals, and lodging expenses for the position are reimbursed by the IMA.

Once the IMA Board makes an appointment to this position, the first representation as YPS will be at the AMA Annual Meeting in Chicago, June 9-13, 2018. If you are interested in serving as YPS, please complete a Nomination Form and fax it to the IMA at 208-344-7903 or email [rebecca@idmed.org](mailto:rebecca@idmed.org) by February 28, 2018. The form is available on the IMA homepage at [www.idmed.org](http://www.idmed.org).

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## 2018 Idaho Psychiatric Association Conference ***Advances in the Treatment of Addiction*** March 9-10, 2018 - Riverside Hotel, Boise

The 2018 Idaho Psychiatric Association conference is designed to present the latest information to enhance the way psychiatrists, other physicians, residents, and other mental health clinicians provide treatment for patients of all ages with addictions. Topics include Acceptance Therapy for Addictions, presented by John D. Matthews, MD, MSc; and Psychopharmacologic Interventions for Addictive Disorders, presented by Elizabeth F. Howell, MD, MS, DLFAPA, DFASAM.

For more information, visit <http://idahopsychiatric.org/> or contact Margy Leach at [margy@idmed.org](mailto:margy@idmed.org) or 208-344-7888.

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- Program administration including maintenance of ACGME accreditation, strategic planning, and budgeting
- Curricular development and oversight
- Supervision of resident training and evaluation
- Patient care activities
- Maintain a program of scholarship

#### Minimum Qualifications

- M.D. or D.O. degree from an accredited medical school
- Completion of psychiatry residency
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#### Preferred Qualifications

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- Generous recruitment incentives may include housing allowance, student loan repayment, residency stipend and relocation;
- Hospital employed with great benefits, retirement, malpractice, vacation and CME allowance;
- Call relative to group with an emphasis on work life balance
- Medical education opportunities; residents and medical students

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Pediatrician - Mountain Home, Idaho  
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- 4-day work week plus call
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- Recruitment incentives may include housing allowance, student loan repayment, residency stipend and relocation

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URGENT CARE positions are also available for FAMILY PHYSICIANS or PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – Our ideal candidate would be board certified/eligible. Urgent care positions require the provider to work approximately 14 twelve-hour shifts per month and be comfortable with the fast paced environment of an urgent care clinic. Our clinics are based on a combination clinic that has urgent care and appointment family medicine practice at the same site. Urgent care and appointment providers work together to address the patients' episodic and chronic care problems. Must be willing to work some weekends and twelve hour shifts.

Primary Health is an independent, predominantly primary care medical group with 15 clinics (soon to be 17) and more than 300,000 patient visits per year. A leader in implementing quality programs, PHMG has been using electronic health records since 2007. Physicians follow evidence-based guidelines and engage with patients in innovative ways to promote wellness. PHMG has received local and national recognition for providing efficient, quality care. Primary Health has been voted among the top 10 Best Places to Work in Idaho, and employee turnover is low. The group provides a supportive environment where family doctors develop lasting relationships with patients and enjoy a schedule that allows time to experience the many activities Idaho has to offer. Providers also have the opportunity to invest in the medical group and become an owner.

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