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Medicare open enrollment ends December 7

BOISE ID (November 25, 2015) – The Idaho Department of Insurance reminds Medicare beneficiaries that open enrollment is ending soon. The Department's Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) offers free, unbiased information, counseling, and assistance regarding Medicare.

"Time is running out to review plans and make any needed changes," says Department Director Dean Cameron. "For most people, plan selections for 2016 must be made by December 7."

People who are losing coverage through no fault of their own, who have recently moved zip codes, or who receive assistance programs have additional time to make their plan selections for 2016.

SHIBA counselors are available statewide to answer questions and help Medicare beneficiaries understand their plan options. Consumers are encouraged to call SHIBA at 800-247-4422 for information and assistance.

Consumers who are looking for a specific plan recommendation should contact a licensed insurance agent.

For more information about this or other insurance topics, visit the Department's website at www.doi.idaho.gov.

About the Department of Insurance

The Idaho Department of Insurance has been regulating the business of insurance in Idaho since 1901. The mission of the Department is to equitably, effectively and efficiently administer the Idaho Insurance Code and the International Fire Code. For more information, visit www.doi.idaho.gov.

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