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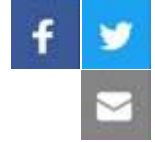
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## **Deadline Extended as Discussions with CMS Continue Regarding State-Based Plans**

**BOISE ID-** Idaho's Department of Insurance (DOI) has been in discussions with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) since CMS's March 8, 2018 letter outlining CMS's concerns with the DOI's bulletin allowing state-based plans. Because CMS and the DOI continue to engage in productive conversations regarding state-based plans, CMS has extended the date for Idaho's response until at least May 5, with the understanding that this date may change further as the discussions continue.

Idaho Department of Insurance Director Dean Cameron is optimistic about the process, stating, "I would like to express my appreciation to Administrator Seema Verma of CMS and CCIIO Director Randy Pate for their willingness to help us find a solution to stabilize our health insurance market and provide lower cost policies to Idahoans."

The DOI issued [Bulletin 18-01](#), Provisions for Health Carriers Submitting State-Based Health Benefit Plans, following [Executive Order No. 2018-02](#), Restoring Choice in Health Care for Idahoans, issued on January 5, 2018 by Governor Otter and Lieutenant Governor Little.

### **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](http://www.doi.idaho.gov).