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What to Do After a Disaster Hits



• Idaho is experiencing spring flooding throughout the state, and will soon approach wildfire season. If you lose your home or suffer damages, the Idaho Department of Insurance (DOI) offers an overview of what you might expect and how to deal with your insurance claim to make the process easier. <u>Post-Disaster Claims Guide</u>

Market Oversight



- Idaho hosted the NAIC Western Zone Training on Market Conduct April 12-14, 2023. Over 50 attendees—both new and experienced— participated in this important training and visited our beautiful capital city of Boise.
- DOI hosted a public forum for the Section 1332 State Innovation Waiver on May 12, 2023. <u>Click</u> <u>here to learn more about this "Reinsurance Waiver."</u>
- The Annual Health and Immunization Assessment Surveys are complete. We appreciate carrier participation and responsiveness to these surveys.

Administration



- DOI will have 9 rules up for rulemaking this year. They will be published in the Administrative bulletin on June 6, 2023.
- New technology has been installed in the Department's 3rd floor conference room in order to make rulemaking and other public meetings more accessible and a better experience for all.

State Fire Marshal



• Tragedy struck the small community of St. Maries, Idaho where a house fire claimed the life of a teenager last night. The fire completely destroyed the home and significantly damaged a nearby residence. Investigators from the Idaho State Fire Marshal's Office determined the fire was caused by a damaged electrical cord to a chest freezer.

Company Activities



 Staff are working diligently with numerous projects underway, many of which have been or will soon be concluded with Legal Orders adopted by the Director. These include Reports of Examination for several of Idaho's domestic insurers which will be posted on the Department's website. Also, please stay tuned for announcements over the summer about how the Department is working to improve our producer licensing tests and fingerprinting.

Consumer Services



 SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors) has published the 2023 <u>Idaho Shopper's</u> <u>Guide to Medicare</u> and <u>Save Money brochure</u>. The Idaho Shopper's Guide to Medicare provides information on Medicare enrollment, costs and coverage, Medigap plans, Medicare Advantage plans, prescription drug plans, and more! The Save Money brochure provides information on the Extra Help and Medicare Savings Programs that can assist Medicare beneficiaries with their expenses.

New Employee



• DOI welcomes Gynna Loper as the new Financial Officer in the Fiscal section. Gynna comes to us with an impressive background. In her nearly 23 years with the state, she has held several financial positions for the Departments of Health and Welfare, Fish and Game, and Juvenile Corrections, where she was highly recommended for her work and professionalism. Welcome Gynna!



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 <u>doi.idaho.gov</u>.

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