

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INTERAGENCY COOPERATIVE

**PURPOSE:** Facilitate the transformation of Idaho's behavioral health system.

**DELIVERABLE(S) and the COMPLETION DATE FOR EACH DELIVERABLE:** Report to the Governor in November of each year for two years.

**INTERIM MILESTONES:**

**ANTICIPATED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** Ongoing for systems coordination; legislative action desired in 2012/2013 for Regional Boards and State Planning Council.

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State Mental Health Planning Council, Teresa Wolf  
Office of Drug Policy, Tammy Perkins-Office of the Governor, Alternate  
State Department of Education, Matt McCarter

**FUNDING SOURCE(S):**

- Leveraging existing resources

**BARRIERS:**

- Iterative, evolving process takes time
- Number and scope of core services
- Role of state, regions and other stakeholders in the transformed system
- Funding
- Workforce capacity

**VISION:** The Governor's Vision for Idaho's health care system is that "Idahoans will have the opportunity to access quality, effective and efficient healthcare that provides a coordinated delivery system with affordable and accessible health insurance options. *How does this project help to achieve that vision?*

The Vision of the project is that Idaho citizens and their families have appropriate access to quality services provided through the publicly funded behavioral health system that is coordinated, effective accountable and focused on recovery. This vision is entirely consistent with the Governor's Vision

**IS THIS PROJECT MOST RELEVANT TO (CHECK ONE):**

Health Insurance Affordability and Accessibility  
 Health Information Technology

\_\_\_X\_Health Care Delivery

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