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Statement in Response to Idaho’s Passage of Legislation That Would Implement Medicaid Managed Care

(WASHINGTON, DC) – MHPA President and CEO Craig A. Kennedy, MPH issued the following statement in response to the Idaho House and Senate passing House Bill 345 which includes a provision that would move the state’s Medicaid program to a comprehensive managed care delivery model.

“MHPA congratulates the Idaho Legislature for its recent passage of House Bill 345, bringing Idaho one step closer to transitioning the state’s Medicaid program to comprehensive managed care. From providing written testimony in support of HB 345’s managed care provision to testifying before the state’s Managed Care Task Force in 2023 on the value and budget predictability of managed care, MHPA is honored to have supported this thoughtful effort to bring Medicaid managed care in Idaho.

“At its core, Medicaid managed care exemplifies the public-private partnership drives innovation and works to ensure that the state and federal dollars invested in Idaho’s Medicaid program are used as effectively and efficiently as possible.

“Partners in the delivery of care and services, Medicaid MCOs are unique positioned to work with states, the federal government, providers, community organizations, and Medicaid enrollees to provide holistic care to Idahoans through their care management and care coordination operations.

“We look forward to working with our state partners in Idaho and our members to implement this nationally proven delivery system within the state.”

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and research work, MHPA supports innovative policy solutions that enhance the delivery of comprehensive, cost-effective, and quality health care for Medicaid enrollees. MHPA works on behalf of its nearly 160 member health plans which serve nearly 48 million Medicaid enrollees in 40 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico. MHPA's members include for-profit and non-profit national, regional, and single-state health plans that compete in the Medicaid market. Visit [mhpa.org](https://www.mhpa.org) for more information.