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Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act & Medicare

Submitted by Tonya Steele

It is no surprise that people in Idaho have various opinions about pending results of Federal legislation reform health care payment and delivery. It is no surprise that some people will use this as an opportunity to take advantage of others. Department of Insurance Director, Bill Deal, warns that people should be wary of callers representing themselves as federally recognized agents selling health insurance. This type of fraud is occurring throughout Idaho. The Department of Insurance can be contacted when people have questions about the validity of a policy, company, or agent as well as for help understanding insurance terms and decisions. Visit the website at www.doi.idaho.gov for a variety of web based tools. SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors) is a division of Department of Insurance that is dedicated to helping Medicare beneficiaries understand and choose Medicare plans. Statewide, people can contact SHIBA by calling 800-247-4422.

Previous legislation increased eligibility for Medicare Savings Programs that pay Medicare premiums. Here are the changes based on reform legislation that Medicare beneficiaries will see in 2010.

- \$250 rebate check to people who reach Medicare Part D coverage gap.
- Medicare Advantage plans will have new payment rates from the federal government and will adjust their plan choices, premiums, and copayments for 2011 plans.
- The only time people will be able to join, switch, or drop Medicare Advantage plans will be the Annual Enrollment Period, November 15th – December 31st.
 - The eliminated Open Enrollment Period for joining, switching, and dropping Medicare Advantage plans was January 1 – March 31st.
 - People will be allowed to drop Medicare Advantage and return to Original Medicare until February 14th.

More changes to Medicare in 2011:

- 50% copayment for brand-name drugs to people who reach the Medicare Part D coverage gap and reduced cost for generic medication during medication during the coverage gap.
- New Part B preventative benefit of an annual health exam.



June 20, 2010

R.A.P. Meeting

The 2nd Monday,
June 14th at the
Jewett House
1501 E Lakeshore Dr.
Coeur d'Alene, ID
A light lunch will be served at no cost!

**Summer Meetings
Are Informal with
Our Kids!**

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Relatives As Parents Meetings in the Summer

School is near the end and summer vacation is around the corner. During the summer months, June, July & August, the Coeur d'Alene Relatives As Parents Group will meet at the Jewett House at noon with our children. The meetings will be more informal with sitting outside on the porch and visiting. The children can play in the yard or on the beach. Beverages, crackers, fruit, cheese and cold vegetables will be provided. You can bring lawn chairs to sit on or blankets to spread on the ground. If you would like you can bring sandwiches, a book to read or bathing suits and enjoy the lake. This will be our one day out of the month to get together with other R.A.P. families and the children they are raising. If you have out-of-towners visiting, please feel free to bring them with you. We will start the regular meeting the second Monday in September when the kids are back in school.



Mission is to:
"Build healthy families by promoting broad-based community collaboration and coordination to combine resources to reduce substance abuse, increase literacy, and to reduce the duplication of services."
 Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee c/o KACF
 610 W. Hubbard, Ste. 123
 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Mission of Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee is to:
Advance Community Support for a Safe and Nurturing Environment for Children Raised by Relatives.



The RAP/GAP Mascot is the turtle. The turtle, like us and our children, has a hard shell to protect it from getting hurt, but the inside is soft, vulnerable and loveable. We must learn to stick our heads out of our shell and take a chance.

FREE FISHING DAY

Time to round up the kids and grab your rod and reel and head out to Idaho's waterways. June 12, 2010 is Free Fishing Day in Idaho. Don't worry if you don't have a fishing license. Idaho's Department of Fish and Game is inviting all fisherman and potential fisherman – both resident and non-resident- to try their luck in Idaho's rivers, lakes, ponds, any fishing hole! Although license restriction has been lifted for one day, other rules remain in place. So if you're not familiar with bag limits and tackle restrictions you might visit Fish & Games website to check out the rules and restrictions for the waterway where you plan to fish. You might just bring home a whopper!



Teen Dance Every Friday

Every Friday at the Grange Hall in Rathdrum, on Highway 41, there will be a dance for 7th through 12th grades. It is open from 8:00 pm to 11:30 pm. Entrance fee is \$4.00 and refreshments are available. This is a supervised event. For more information call:

Bill Wolfe L.S.W.
 Case Manager
 St Vincent de Paul Transitional Housing
 208-676-8619 or
 208-659-6715

Vacation Bible Schools In Our Area

Christ the King Lutheran Church-
 1700 Pennsylvania Ave., CdA 664-9231
 June 21-25, 5yrs - 5th grade.
 9:00 to 12:00 FREE

CdA Bible Church -5350 N. 4th St.,
 CdA 664-4883 June 28-July 2, 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM. 4-12 yrs. FREE

Hayden Lake Friends Church - 251 W. Miles Ave., Hayden 772-7522
 July 21-25, 9-11:30 AM, 4yrs-6th grade FREE

Lutheran Church of the Master -
 4800 Ramsey Rd., CdA 765-1002
 July 19-23, 8:30-11:30 AM K-5th grade. FREE

Trinity Lutheran Church - 812 N. 5th St., CdA 664-5743, July 6-9, 8:30-12:00 Pre-school - 5th grade, 6th-12th grade can assist. FREE

Community Presbyterian Church
 417 N. William, Post Falls 773-2527, July 5-9, Pre-K - 5th grade.

His Place Evangelical Free Church
 3079 E. 16th Ave., Post Falls, 77-9654, July 12-16, Pre-K - 5th grade. FREE

St. George's Catholic Church -2010 N. Lucas St., Post Falls, 773-4715
 June 28-July 22, 1st-6th grade \$12 per child.

St. Pius X Catholic Church, 625 Haycraft Ave., CdA, 765-5108,
 June 21-25, 9-12:00, 4yrs-4th grade. \$15 for parishioners; \$25 for non-parishioners.

Community United Methodist Church-1470 W. Hanley Ave., CdA 765-8800
 June 21-25, 9-12:00, Pre-K-5th grade. \$10 for 1st child, \$7 for 2nd and \$5 for 3rd.

Free Events in Coeur d'Alene

Car d'Alene, June 18-19, Downtown Coeur d'Alene. June 18 – Car Cruise 6pm-10pm. June 19 – Show & Shine 8am – 4pm

American Hero's Parade, July 4, 11am, Downtown Coeur d'Alene

Street Fair, Art on the Green & Taste of CdA, July 30-August 1st, Downtown July 30-31, 10am-8pm & August 1, 10am-5pm.

CdA City Park, Free Music, Sundays, Rotary Lakeside Bandshell, June 6-August 22, 1:00-4:00pm

Sherman Square Park, Free Music, 316 Sherman Ave., CdA., Tuesdays, 6-8:30pm, June 29-August 24. Bad weather moves event into the CdA Resort Plaza

Hayden City Park, Free Music, 8930 N. Government, Hayden. Wednesdays 6-8:30 pm. July 7 – August 4.

Free Family Film Festival Riverstone Stadium



Movies start at 10am each Tuesday and Wednesday during the festival. First come, first served seating is limited to theatre capacity.

06/22/2010 & 06/23/2010

Muppets from Space (G)

Paul Bart: Mall Cop (PG)

06/29/2010 & 06/30/2010

Tales of Despereaux (G)

Coraline (PG)

07/06/2010 & 7/09/2010

Pirates Who Don't Do Anything (G)

Astro Boy

07/13/2010 & 07/14/2010

Charlotte's Web (G)

Planet 51 (PG)

07/20/2010 & 07/21/2010

Rugrats: The Movie (G)

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG)

07/27/2010 & 07/28/2010

Rugrats in Paris (G)

Kung Fu Panda (PG)



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*Grandparents
Raising
Grandchildren
www.aarp.org*

Idaho KINCARE Coalition Mission:
"To promote social and legislative change through education and advocacy and to provide the social supports needed by grandparents and other relatives raising the children in their care"

Check out Kootenai Alliance for Children & Families new website! They have a page for the R.A.P.

www.kootenaialliance.org



Are You A Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin or Sibling Raising a Relative Child?

Join our RAP Group if you need a listening ear or some new ideas. Meet us at the Jewett House



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The **RAP Support Group** meets the second Monday of the month at:
Jewett House
1501 E. Lakeshore Drive
Coeur d'Alene, ID
Noon - 2 o'clock

RAP provides information & support to kinship care givers through sharing information and guest speakers. We stay aware of the laws and proposed legislation that impacts kin care givers & children. Contact:
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RAP Mission is to:
Make the world a better place for those children whose parents are unable or unwilling to assume the legal & moral responsibilities of parenthood.

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