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Secretary of State Ben Ysursa announces that the Idaho Health Care Directive Registry is available.

Secretary of State Ben Ysursa is pleased to announce that as of January 1, 2007 individuals may file their health care directives in The Idaho Health Care Directive Registry. This voluntary service provides an opportunity for individuals to make their health care directives available to their designated health care providers at anytime through a secure internet connection.

The on-line registry was created and enacted by the 2006 Legislature and is maintained by the office of the Secretary of State. Public and private monies allow this service to be provided at no charge to the citizens of Idaho

Secretary Ysursa said, "The Idaho Health Care Directive Registry will provide individuals and their families with peace of mind knowing their health care directives can be accessed immediately from any location if necessary."

Detailed information and registration forms are available online at www.sos.idaho.gov and at the office of the Secretary of State.

A press conference will be held Wednesday, January 3 at 11:00 in the office of the Secretary of State to announce and discuss the Idaho Health Care Directive Registry.