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Maria Borje-Bonkowski

Hawaii Dental Service (HDS) Names Maria Borje-Bonkowski New Compliance and Privacy Officer

Honolulu, Hawaii — Hawaii Dental Service (HDS), the state's leading dental benefits provider, has named Maria Borje-Bonkowski as its new compliance and privacy officer.

An attorney by education and training, Borje-Bonkowski is responsible for multiple programs: the HDS compliance program, fraud and abuse program and privacy program. She will also ensure HDS complies with all standards, policies and procedures of Delta Dental Plans Association (DDPA) of which HDS is an affiliate. Borje-Bonkowski oversees the compliance and internal audit teams.

"Safeguarding patient privacy is a priority for HDS and we're glad to have a professional of Maria's caliber as part of our leadership team," said Dr. Diane Paloma, HDS president and CEO.

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Borje-Bonkowski has more than 20 years of experience in leading regulatory, compliance and privacy programs for major health plans in Hawaii and other states. Prior to joining HDS, she was assistant vice president of compliance and privacy for HMSA (Hawaii Medical Services Association).

She also served as state compliance director for Anthem Blue Cross in California, and when Anthem rebranded to Elevance Health, which is headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, Borje-Bonkowski was promoted to staff vice president of federal programs and national accounts.

Borje-Bonkowski also served as regional compliance officer for the Kaiser Permanente Hawaii Region, and director, licensing and submissions in the health plan regulatory services department of Kaiser Permanente in Oakland, California.

Borje-Bonkowski earned a bachelor of arts degree in political science and ethnic studies from the University of California, Berkeley, and a law degree from University of California Law San Francisco (formerly Hastings College of Law). She was named Filipino Executive of the Year by the Filipino Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii in 2018. Borje-Bonkowski resides in Hawaii Kai.

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About Hawaii Dental Service

Hawaii Dental Service (HDS) is the leading dental benefits provider in the state, serving over one million residents throughout Hawaii, Guam, and Saipan. It has the largest network of dentists, with more than 95 percent of Hawaii's licensed, practicing dentists participating with HDS.

As a nonprofit founded in Hawaii in 1962, HDS is committed to making quality oral health care affordable and accessible. Employers who offer HDS dental plans to their employees represent Hawaii's diverse industries, companies, unions, associations, and nonprofit organizations. HDS also offers dental plans for individuals and families. HDS has been a part of Delta Dental, the nation's largest and most experienced dental insurance benefits provider, since 1966. This affiliation gives members access to a nationwide network of participating dentists.

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