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Idaho Department of Labor Receives National Technology Award

The Idaho Department of Labor has received a national technology award for the successful implementation of the Department's Internet Unemployment System known as iUS.

The award was presented at the recent National Association of State Chief Information Officers annual conference in Salt Lake City. The award program honors outstanding information technology achievements in the public sector across the nation.

"It's an honor to accept the 2015 NASCIO State IT Recognition Award for Improving State Operations. The Idaho Department of Labor's new Internet unemployment system is creating revolutionary improvements by reducing improper payments, increasing staff efficiency, eliminating errors, saving taxpayer dollars and improving the quality of services we deliver to Idaho citizens," Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said.

The department's iUS, launched in September 2014, is the result of a three-year project to transfer Idaho's unemployment insurance program from a 40-year-old legacy mainframe computer system to a more efficient, accurate and less costly Web-based application.

"We are excited for the next phase of iUS as we work with other states to extend the success we have enjoyed with it," iUS Executive Director Mark Mayfield said.

The association's Informational Technology Recognition Awards program, now in its 27th year, uses peer review to recognize one winner in each of 11 categories. Idaho received top honors in "Improving State Operations."

Learn more about the award and other award winners at

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