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Committee Advising N.D. Medicaid Program to Meet Jan. 12

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services announced today that the state’s Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee will meet Tuesday, January 12, 2010, from 1:30 to 5 p.m. in the Brynhild Haugland Room at the State Capitol. The public is welcome to attend.

The committee meets quarterly to hear reports and to advise the department about the operation of the Medicaid program, which is the state and federally-funded health program that serves qualifying low-income elderly individuals, pregnant women, children, and people with disabilities. Currently, about 60,400 North Dakotans are eligible.

Meeting agenda items include: enrollment data, the disproportionate share hospital audit, and updates on Medicaid program integrity contractors, stakeholder meetings, the Program for All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly, the Money Follows the Person grant, administrative rules, nurse practitioners as primary care providers, and continuous eligibility. Additional agenda items include an update on the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) project, and discussion on modernizing Medicaid, which includes next steps on medical home and care coordination and dental access efforts.

The committee includes legislators, advocates, and representatives from health care provider associations, independent living centers, the County Social Service Directors Association, the Governor’s Office, the N.D. Department of Health, the N.D. Department of Human Services, and a program recipient.

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