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**Aging and Disability Resource Center Advisory Council to meet Nov. 15**  
*Providing personal assistance connecting people to services and resources*

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Advisory Council for the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Pilot serving the Bismarck area will meet Monday, Nov. 15, 2010, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the N.D. Department of Human Services' offices in the Prairie Hills Plaza, 1237 W. Divide Ave. N.W., Suite 6, Bismarck. The meeting will be held in the Prairie Rose Room, and the public is welcome to attend.

The ADRC works to inform older adults, adults with disabilities, and their families about available long-term services and supports. The ADRC provides personal assistance connecting people to services and resources.

The advisory council, which includes legislators, representatives of partnering organizations serving seniors and people with disabilities, and advocacy organizations, will hear updates on the semi-annual report of activities, client satisfaction survey results, and implementation progress related to staffing, contracts with partners providing options counseling, collaboration efforts, the common intake process, data collection, and next steps in rolling out services to neighboring counties. A detailed agenda is online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2010/11-12-adrc-meeting-notice.pdf](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2010/11-12-adrc-meeting-notice.pdf).

People who need help finding services and programs to help them remain in their homes as their abilities and needs change can contact the ADRC at the Department of Human Services' West Central Human Service Center. The ADRC works closely with county social services, the Burleigh County Senior Adult Program and other senior service providers, the Dakota Center for Independent Living, and other partners.

The federal Administration on Aging and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provided grant funding for the ADRC. Over the next couple of years, ADRC services will be implemented in the entire 10-county region that includes Burleigh, Emmons, Grant, Kidder, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sheridan, and Sioux counties.

To contact the ADRC, call 701-328-8606, toll-free at 1-888-328-2662 or ND Relay TTY at 1-800-366-6888, or e-mail [khalloran@nd.gov](mailto:khalloran@nd.gov).

The Department also has an online searchable database of statewide services and resources called the Aging and Disability Resource LINK at [www.carechoice.nd.gov](http://www.carechoice.nd.gov).

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