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Aging and Disability Resource Center Advisory Council to Meet Nov. 14

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Advisory Council for the Aging and Disability Resource LINK (ADRL) Pilot in the Bismarck region will meet Monday, Nov. 14, 2011, 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 Aging and Disability Resource LINK works to inform older adults, adults with disabilities, and their families about available long-term services and support options and provides personal assistance connecting people to help them live in their homes and communities longer.

The advisory council, which includes legislators, representatives of partnering organizations serving seniors and people with disabilities, and advocacy organizations, will hear updates on project partner meetings, the semi-annual report of activities, marketing and public relations efforts, and the Money Follows the Person grant activities. There will also be discussion on the ADRL expansion into the Bismarck, Dickinson, Minot, and Williston regions, options counselor training, and an overview of the ADRL services roll-out as approved by the 2011 Legislature.

A detailed agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2011/11-4-adrl-advisory-council-meeting.pdf.

The Aging and Disability Resource LINK 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 ADRL, which serves individuals in Burleigh, Emmons, Kidder, Morton, and Oliver counties. The ADRL pilot will expand to Grant, McLean, Mercer, and Sioux counties in 2012.

To contact the ADRL at the Department of Human Services' West Central Human Service Center, call toll-free 1-855-GO2-LINK (1-855-462-5465), ND Relay TTY at 1-800-366-6888, or e-mail 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.

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