

# **NEWS from the North Dakota Department of Human Services**

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## **Dr. Yabut Named Medical Director for One Center**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services has hired Dr. Eduardo Pelayo Yabut as medical director for the One Center, which includes the North Dakota State Hospital in Jamestown and the Developmental Center in Grafton.

Dr. Yabut will lead a 20-member clinical and medical team at the State Hospital, coordinate activities to develop multidisciplinary patient treatment programs for adults and adolescents, formulate policies and procedures, and provide clinical work to patients. He will also provide consultative services at the Developmental Center.

“We are fortunate to have Dr.Yabut in this vital leadership role,” said Alex Schweitzer, superintendent of the One Center. “He is a highly regarded psychiatrist and leader with strong clinical skills and a respect for people, which will lead to continued quality patient care and positive employee relations.”

Dr. Yabut is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. He joined the State Hospital in 2010 as a staff psychiatrist after spending eight years as the medical director at the department’s South Central Human Service Center in Jamestown.

Dr. Yabut received his medical degree from the University of Santo Tomas in Sampaloc, Manila, Philippines. He completed his residency training in psychiatry at Westchester County Medical Center in New York working in intensive adult inpatient services, the psychiatric intensive care unit, child, adolescent and geriatric psychiatry, and outpatient clinical services. During his residency, he received the *Psychiatry Resident of the Year* award.

The State Hospital and the Developmental Center are part of the N.D. Department of Human Services. The State Hospital provides specialized inpatient and residential level psychiatric and substance addiction treatment services for people whose needs exceed community resources. The Developmental Center is a comprehensive support agency for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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