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**Northwest Human Service Center Regional Advisory Group will meet Nov. 5 in Williston**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Northwest Human Service Center Regional Advisory Group is meeting Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2014, from 12 to 1 p.m., at the center located at 316 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W. in Williston, N.D. The meeting is open to the public.

The center's assistant director Lisa Hoffman will provide updates about services, programs, operations, the budget, and staffing. She will also share information about the behavioral health study. A representative from Protection and Advocacy will provide an overview of that agency's program and services.

Advisory group members will be invited to share information about the needs in the area the member represents, as well as recommendations for the planning, funding, and provision of human services in the region. The full agenda is online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html).

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Kristy Green at 701-774-4600, toll-free 800-231-7724, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or [kgreen@nd.gov](mailto:kgreen@nd.gov).

The center's Regional Advisory Group includes representatives from its three-county service region: Divide, McKenzie, and Williams counties.

Northwest Human Service Center employs about 40 individuals. More information about the center is on the Web at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northwest/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northwest/index.html).

North Dakota's eight regional human service centers provide counseling and mental health services, substance abuse treatment, disability services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers. While services may vary based on unique regional needs and available community resources, core services provided are described online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/docs/hsc-core-services.pdf](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/docs/hsc-core-services.pdf).

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