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**Human Service Center Advisory Group to meet May 7 in Williston**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Regional Advisory Group for the N.D. Department of Human Services' Northwest Human Service Center is meeting May 7, 2014, from 12 to 1 p.m., at 316 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W. in Williston, N.D. The public is welcome to attend.

The public behavioral health and human services agency in Williston served 1,833 individuals during the 2012 state fiscal year and employs about 40 individuals. The center's regional advisory group includes representatives from Divide, McKenzie, and Williams counties.

The meeting agenda includes updates about Northwest Human Service Center's operations, budget, and staffing. The center's Developmental Disabilities Unit will also give a presentation about programming and services and how people qualify for their services. 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).

Regional advisory group members provide information about regional needs to help plan, develop, and administer programs and services. Members also review services and programs, make recommendations to improve them, and promote collaboration with private human service agencies. Each of the state's eight regional human service centers has a Human Service Advisory Group.

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).

More information about Northwest Human Service Center online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northwest/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northwest/index.html).

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