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## **Southeast region advisory group to meet Jan. 21**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The advisory group of the North Dakota Department of Human Services' Southeast Human Service Center will meet Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Community Group Room at the public behavioral health and human services center at 2624 Ninth Ave. S., in Fargo. The public is welcome to attend.

Psychologist Nicole Cross-Hillman will brief regional advisory group members on the Center's adoption of trauma-informed care. The meeting agenda also includes a report from the chairperson on membership, the election of officers, and the 2015 meeting schedule. Regional Center Director Jeff Stenseth will provide updates on the budget and staffing. Members will also discuss region-wide planning, funding, and service development and may provide updates and announcement from their respective county areas. The 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 Phyllis Brandt at 701-298-4401, toll-free 888-342-4900, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or [pbrandt@nd.gov](mailto:pbrandt@nd.gov).

Advisory group members represent the center's service area that includes Cass, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steel, and Traill counties. They may include county commissioners, county social service board members, and others interested in services for people with disabilities, social services, mental health and substance abuse treatment services, and other human services.

Each of the department's eight regional human service centers has an advisory group.

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 are listed 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).

Southeast Human Service Center in Fargo employs over 185 people. More information about the center is on the Web at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/southeast](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/southeast).

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