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North Dakota Olmstead Commission to meet March 18 in Bismarck

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Olmstead Commission, which promotes integrated, appropriate community-based services and long-term supports for people with disabilities, is meeting Friday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. CDT, in the Peace Garden Room of the Capitol, at 600 E. Boulevard Ave., in Bismarck. The public is welcome to attend.

Subcommittees will provide updates on Olmstead Plan priority areas, and Department of Human Services (DHS) representatives will brief members on Olmstead-related developments. The agenda also includes time for member updates and public comment about opportunities for people with disabilities to live as members of their communities.

A complete agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2016/3-18-olmstead-commission-meeting-notice-and-agenda.pdf.

DHS complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations, including appropriate auxiliary aids to participate in the meeting, can contact Stacie Dailey of the DHS Behavioral Health Division at 701-328-8941 or sdailey@nd.gov, or through Relay ND TTY at 800-366-6888.

The Governor's Health and Human Services Policy Advisor Tami Ternes and DHS Executive Director Maggie Anderson co-chair the commission. Members are appointed by the governor.

Commission information is available online at <http://governor.nd.gov/boards/BoardDetails.aspx?boardid=111>.

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