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## **Brain Injury Awareness Month: Training focuses on impact a brain injury can have on co-occurring conditions**

BISMARCK, N.D. – On March 17, the North Dakota Brain Injury Network (NDBIN) and the North Dakota Department of Human Services' Behavioral Health Division are co-hosting training for behavioral health professionals on the impact a brain injury can have on individuals who have co-occurring behavioral health conditions.

The training is from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. CDT through the state video conference system. This is the third in a monthly training series for professionals who work with people with brain injuries. Training is held the third Thursday of every month through April 21, 2016.

NDBIN Program Director Rebecca Quinn at the University of North Dakota's Center for Rural Health said the March training session will help professionals recognize common challenges faced by individuals who have sustained a brain injury, identify the overlap with brain injury and other behavioral health conditions, and understand how a brain injury can impact the ability to access services. Participants will also learn some behavioral strategies to incorporate into treatment approaches and how to adapt services to accommodate individuals with brain injury.

Professionals can sign up for training and see details online at [https://und.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6SvWY6TYk1KAVRb](https://und.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6SvWY6TYk1KAVRb).

Social Work and Licensed Addiction Counselor continuing education units (CEUs) are available, along with general certificates for other professional disciplines.

These locations have been reserved for the March 17 training:

- **Bismarck:** West Central Human Service Center, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Burleigh Conference Room, and Workforce Safety and Insurance, 1600 E. Century Ave, Ste. 1, Conference Room 3B,
- **Devils Lake:** Lake Region Human Service Center (LRHSC), 200 Hwy 2 W., East Conference Room,
- **Dickinson:** Dickinson State University, Murphy Hall, Room 117, and DHS Vocational Rehabilitation Regional Office, 1674 15th St. W., RCS Room,
- **Fargo:** Southeast Human Service Center, 2624 Ninth Ave. S., Red River Room,
- **Grafton:** Life Skills and Transition Center, 701 W. Sixth St., Room 375,
- **Grand Forks:** Northeast Human Service Center, 151 Fourth St., Room 5E,
- **Jamestown:** South Central Human Service Center, 520 Third St. N.W., Room 124,
- **Minot:** North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway, Ste. 18, Room 411,
- **Rolla:** LRHSC Rolla Outreach Office, 1102 Main Ave. W., and
- **Williston:** Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Conference Room B200.

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