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## **West Central Human Service Center Advisory Group to meet July 12 in Bismarck**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The citizen advisory group for West Central Human Service Center (WCHSC) will meet July 12, from 1 to 3 p.m., CT, at the center at 1237 W. Divide Ave., in Bismarck. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in the Morton Room and should enter through Door 4 from Schafer Street.

Human service center staff will provide updates on the center's operations and staffing, and a representative of the specialized child and family services unit will give a presentation on Dialectical Behavior Therapy. This therapeutic treatment, which is available at WCHSC, benefits people with a variety of mental health disorders by helping people recognize and better regulate their emotions, behaviors, and interpersonal patterns.

Community advisory group members from the 10-county service region will have an opportunity to provide regional updates at the meeting. The agenda is available on the Web at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html).

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Peggy Krein at 701-328-8742, toll-free 888-328-2662, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888, or [pjkrein@nd.gov](mailto:pjkrein@nd.gov).

WCHSC serves residents of Burleigh, Emmons, Grant, Kidder, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sheridan, and Sioux counties, the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, and part of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

The Department of Human Services' eight regional human service centers provide behavioral health services for people with mental health or substance addiction needs, disability-related services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers. While services may vary by region based on local 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).

For more information about WCHSC, call 701-328-8888, toll-free 888-328-2662, or go online to [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/westcentral/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/westcentral/index.html).

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