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## **Advisory Groups for Regional Human Service Centers in Bismarck and Dickinson to Meet this Week**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The citizen advisory groups for the North Dakota Department of Human Services' regional human service centers in Bismarck and Dickinson will meet this week.

**West Central Human Service Center's (WCHSC)** citizen advisory group will meet **Tuesday** from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Morton Room at the center at 1237 W. Divide Ave., in Bismarck.

WCHSC Director Brad Brown will provide updates on the center's operations and staffing, and psychologist Michael Trahan will give a presentation on cultural diversity. Members will have an opportunity to provide updates from their regions, which include 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 **Badlands Human Service Center (BLHSC) meeting** will be held **Thursday**, 1 to 3 p.m. Mountain Standard Time at the center located at 300 13th Ave. W., Suite 1, in **Dickinson, N.D.** The agenda includes introductions and updates from director Brad Brown, center staff, and advisory group members who represent Adams, Billings, Bowman, Dunn, Golden Valley, Hettinger, Slope and Stark counties. A new chair and vice chair will also be discussed.

The agendas for both meetings are available online 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 meetings can contact Peggy Krein in Bismarck at 701-328-8742, toll-free 888-328-2662, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888, or [pjkrein@nd.gov](mailto:pjkrein@nd.gov) or Joanna Smith in Dickinson at 701-227-7542, toll-free 888-227-7525, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888, or [joasmith@nd.gov](mailto:joasmith@nd.gov).

The department's eight regional human service centers provide behavioral health services, disability-related services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers.

BLHSC and WCHSC information is online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/).

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