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## **Northeast Human Service Center regional advisory group to meet March 20**

BISMARCK, N.D. – Northeast Human Service Center’s (NEHSC) regional advisory group is meeting Monday, March 20, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in meeting rooms 5D and 5E at the center at 151 S. Fourth St., in Grand Forks.

The agenda includes a presentation on Open Access, a new clinic management model that NEHSC will be adopting later this year. Open Access will allow people to receive behavioral health assessments at the center on designated weekdays, during set time periods, without appointments.

At the meeting, center staff will also review the 2017-2019 Executive Budget, and NEHSC Director Randy Slavens will report on center operations and efforts.

Advisory group members who represent Grand Forks, Nelson, Pembina and Walsh counties will have an opportunity to provide local updates and to make recommendations for addressing local needs.

The meeting is open to the public, and the agenda is 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 meeting should contact Michelle Huus at 701-795-3154, toll-free 888-256-6742, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888 or 711 (text telephone) or [mhuus@nd.gov](mailto:mhuus@nd.gov).

Information about the regional human service center is available on the Web at [www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northeast/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northeast/index.html).

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