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Career Readiness and SOLUTIONS Assessment Centers to Open in Grand Forks
Centers to help individuals with disabilities build skills, employment opportunities

Bismarck, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) announced today the grand opening of its Grand Forks Career Resource Center (CRC) and SOLUTIONS Assessment Center. Both centers are located inside the Vocational Rehabilitation office at 151 S. Fourth St., Suite 401, in Grand Forks.

The CRC is a multi-station computer resource/educational center providing DVR consumers access to the latest technology for labor market research, job readiness skill-building, and individual and group computer education. The SOLUTIONS Center provides the latest in assessment and skill diagnostic tools to identify consumer skills, abilities and needs to enhance potential employment outcomes.

Both centers will be open to the public Oct. 24-28, 2011, with tours available during regular business hours from 8 a.m. to Noon and 1 to 5 p.m. A ceremony dedicating the centers will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m., that will include a short presentation celebrating the Americans with Disabilities Act and October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

"It is particularly fitting that we celebrate the grand opening of these two innovative centers to coincide with the recognition month," said Russ Cusack, DVR director. "These centers were created to help individuals with disabilities maximize their career choices and build skills that will lead to successful employment."

The ND Division of Vocational Rehabilitation works to assist individuals with disabilities to maximize their employment opportunities and helps North Dakota business owners and employers find solutions to disability-related issues.

For information about the centers and services available to help employers and employees address disability-related issues, contact the North Dakota Department of Human Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at 701-328-8950, ND Relay TTY 1-800-366-6888 or online to www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/index.html.

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