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State Rehabilitation Council to Meet Oct. 9-10 in Grand Forks

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota State Rehabilitation Council will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 9 from 1:30 to 4 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 10 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks. The public is invited to attend.

The council meets quarterly to hear reports and to advise the N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation on issues relating to policy and strategic planning, and promoting increased employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

The agenda for the opening day of the meeting includes election of the council's chairperson, a review of the council's membership and budget, and order of selection. There will also be a report from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation director, a discussion on the eight regional disability-related employer honorees, and a public comment period.

On the second day of the meeting, participants will hear a report from the Client Assistance Program, and discussion on workforce development, new case management, and the council's annual report and training. Other business may be discussed. A detailed agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2012/9-27-state-rehabilitation-council-meeting.pdf.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Connie Haag at 701-328-8953, chaag@nd.gov, or ND Relay TTY 1-800-366-6888.

The council consists of 15 members appointed by the governor including people with disabilities, community rehabilitation providers, independent living centers, representatives from various tribal and state agencies, and statewide business leaders.

For information on the North Dakota State Rehabilitation Council, contact the N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at 701-328-8950, toll-free 800-755-2745, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or go online to www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/councils-partners/ndsrc.html.

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