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Town Hall Meetings Focus on Services for People with Disabilities

BISMARCK, N.D. - The N.D. Developmental Disability Network will hold nine town hall meetings throughout the state to gather input from people with disabilities and their families on the available supports, services, and other forms of assistance that help them live independently in their communities. The information will be used to identify any gaps in services for people with disabilities.

Town hall meetings are scheduled for these dates, times, and locations.

Aug. 19, 2013

- **Dickinson** (Two meetings) - 1 to 2:30 p.m. (MT), Badlands Human Service Center, 300 13th Ave. W., Haman Conference Room, First Floor; and 4:30 to 6 p.m. (MT), Gate City Bank, 204 Sims St.

Aug. 20, 2013

- **Bismarck** - 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Bis-Man Transit/Capital Area Transit, 3750 E. Rosser Ave., Door 10

Aug. 27, 2013

- **Fargo** - 3:30 to 5 p.m., Job Service North Dakota, 1350 32nd St. S.

Aug. 28, 2013

- **Grand Forks** - 10:30 a.m. to Noon, County Office Building, 151 S. Fourth St., Sixth floor

Sept. 5, 2013

- **Williston** - 1 to 2:30 p.m., Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Conference Room 314

Sept. 6, 2013

- **Minot** - Noon to 1:30 p.m., Minot State University, Student Center, Third Floor, Westlie Room

Sept. 9, 2013

- **Devils Lake** - 1 to 2:30 p.m., Devils Lake Public Library, 423 Seventh St. N.E.

Sept. 10, 2013

- **Jamestown** - 1 to 2:30 p.m., Anne Carlsen Center, 701 Third St. N.W.

The meetings will cover various topics including employment, housing, transportation, health and wellness, child care for children with disabilities, education and transition opportunities, and other disability-related topics.

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“This is an opportunity for people with disabilities who receive services to share their comments, concerns, and successes about the services that are intended to assist them in living independently in their homes and actively participating in their communities,” said Cheryl Hess, N.D. State Council on Developmental Disabilities executive director.

For more information on the meetings, contact Hess at 701-328-4847, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, chess@nd.gov or Stephanie Burt with the N.D. Center for Persons with Disabilities at 701-858-4472.

The town hall meetings are sponsored by the N.D. Developmental Disability Network, a partnership between the N.D. State Council on Developmental Disabilities, N.D. Protection and Advocacy Project, and the N.D. Center for Persons with Disabilities at Minot State University.

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