

# **NEWS from the North Dakota Department of Human Services**

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### **Problem Gambling Advisory Council will meet October 29**

BISMARCK, N.D. – North Dakota’s Problem Gambling Advisory Council will meet Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2014, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the North Dakota Department of Human Services’ Prairie Hills Plaza location, at 1237 W. Divide Ave., Bismarck. Individuals interested in attending the meeting in the Prairie Rose Room, should enter through Door 2.

The North Dakota Department of Human Services established the council, which focuses on helping to raise awareness about problem gambling, gambling addiction and treatment services, and resources. Members include representatives from the department, Gamblers Choice, Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota as well as other gambling addiction treatment provider organizations, the Attorney General’s Gaming Division and North Dakota Lottery Division, the North Dakota Indian Gaming Association, and FirstLink, as well as community members.

The meeting agenda includes an overview and action item update about problem gambling treatment services planning including raising awareness of services to the general public and behavioral health providers, a working session to develop and identify action steps for problem gambling prevention efforts, and updates from members. A full agenda is online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html).

For more information on the council or to request accommodations to attend the meeting, contact program administrator Lacresha Graham, North Dakota Department of Human Services’ Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services at 701-328-8922, toll free 800-755-2719, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or [lgraham@nd.gov](mailto:lgraham@nd.gov).

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