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## Committee Advising the N.D. Medicaid Program to Meet Nov. 19

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee will meet Wed., Nov. 19, 2014, from 1:30 to 5 p.m. in the North Dakota Public Service Commission Conference Room located on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the State Capitol in Bismarck.

The committee meets quarterly to hear reports and to advise the department about the operation of the Medicaid program, which is the state and federally-funded health program that serves qualifying low-income elderly individuals, pregnant women, children, and people with disabilities.

Meeting agenda items include updates on the N.D. Medicaid state plan and administrative rules, pharmacy services, Medicaid Expansion, long-term care study, transition plan for the new federal rules pertaining to home and community-based services, and program integrity efforts. Committee members will also hear presentations from representatives from Truven Health Analytics on Medicaid utilization trends and Sanford Health Plan on the Medicaid Expansion program. Visit <a href="https://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html">www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html</a> for a complete agenda.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations, including appropriate auxiliary aids to participate, can contact Stacey Koehly at 701-328- 4807, toll free 800-755-2604, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or <a href="mailto:skeehly@nd.gov">skeehly@nd.gov</a>.

The committee includes legislators, advocates, and representatives from health care provider associations, independent living centers, the County Social Service Directors Association, the Governor's Office, the N.D. Department of Health, the N.D. Department of Human Services, and a family member of a program recipient.

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