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Council seeks ideas promoting employment of people with disabilities

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota State Council on Developmental Disabilities invites individuals with developmental disabilities, their family members, and other stakeholders to attend a meeting on Monday, Nov. 24, to provide ideas about how the council can promote and support employment of people with disabilities. The meeting will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the video conference sites listed below.

Meeting locations include:

Bismarck – Prairie Hills Plaza, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Prairie & Rose Rooms,
Devils Lake – Lake Region Human Service Center, 200 Hwy 2 S.W., Room E,
Dickinson – Vocational Rehabilitation Regional Office, 1674 15th St. W., Unit E,
Fargo – Southeast Human Service Center, 2624 Ninth Ave. S., Red River Room,
Grand Forks – Northeast Human Service Center, 151 S. Fourth St., Suite 401, Room 5E,
Jamestown – South Central Human Service Center, 520 Third St. N.W., Room 124,
Minot – North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway Suite 18, Room 411, and
Williston – Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Williston, Room A200.

Council Executive Director Cheryl Hess said, “We are inviting providers, developmental disabilities program managers, vocational rehabilitation regional administrators, family members, individuals, family organizations, school personnel, and other interested individuals. We would like to hear their ideas about the types of projects the council should support to meet its goal of developing, supporting, and expanding employment opportunities that lead to economic self-sufficiency for individuals with developmental disabilities.”

Hess said the council promotes choice, independence, productivity, and inclusion for North Dakotans with developmental disabilities, and also supports projects and activities that maximize opportunities in these areas for consumers and families.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations or more information can contact Hess at 701-328-4847, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or chess@nd.gov.

Information about the North Dakota State Council on Developmental Disabilities is online at www.ndcpd.org/SCDD/.

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