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Northwest Human Service Center Regional Advisory Group to meet August 6 in Williston

BISMARCK, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services' Northwest Human Service Center Regional Advisory Group is meeting Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014, from 12 to 1 p.m., at 316 2nd Ave. W. in Williston, N.D. The meeting is open to the public.

Advisory group members will receive updates about the center's services and programs, operations, budget, and staffing. Vocational Rehabilitation staff will provide an overview of their program and services and how people qualify for services. Members will be invited to share information about the needs in the area the member represents, as well as recommendations for the planning, funding, and provision of human services in the region. The full agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Kristy Green at 701-774-4600, toll-free 800-231-7724, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or kgreen@nd.gov.

The center's Regional Advisory Group includes representatives from its three-county service region: Divide, McKenzie, and Williams counties.

In 2012, Northwest Human Service Center provided mental health, addiction treatment, developmental disability services, and other human services to about 1,833 individuals. The center in Williston employs about 40 individuals.

More information about Northwest Human Service Center on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northwest/index.html.

North Dakota's eight regional human service centers provide counseling and mental health services, substance abuse treatment, disability services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers. While services may vary based on unique regional needs and available community resources, core services provided are described online at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/docs/hsc-core-services.pdf.

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