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**Statewide Independent Living Council to Meet Aug. 7-8 in
Grand Forks**

BISMARCK, N.D. – North Dakota’s Statewide Independent Living Council will meet Thursday, Aug. 7, 2014, from 1 to 5 p.m. and Friday, Aug. 8, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Canad Inn, 1000 S. 42nd St., Grand Forks, N.D. The public is invited to participate in the meeting.

The council meets quarterly, and leads independent living network efforts to develop resources and to advocate for full community participation of North Dakotans with disabilities.

Council members will hear reports from the directors of the centers for independent living in North Dakota and will discuss progress on the State Plan for Independent Living. Council committees will provide reports. The full agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals who need auxiliary aids or services to participate in the meeting can call Helen Baumgartner at 701-328-8954, toll free 800-755-2745, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or hbaumgartner@nd.gov.

The governor appoints council members. They include consumers and administrators from the centers for independent living, people with disabilities, representatives from the N.D. Department of Human Services’ Aging Services and Vocational Rehabilitation divisions, and Tribal vocational rehabilitation directors.

For information on the Statewide Independent Living Council, go online to http://governor.nd.gov/boards/boards-query.asp?Board_ID=52 or contact the N.D. Department of Human Services’ Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at 701-328-8950, toll-free 1-800-755-2745, or ND Relay TTY 1-800-366-6888.

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