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Committee to meet Aug. 20 about employment of people with disabilities

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the Prairie Rose Room at Prairie Hills Plaza, 1237 W. Divide Ave., in Bismarck. The public is invited to attend.

The committee focuses on removing barriers to employment and working with public and private employers to promote competitive and integrated employment of working-age individuals with disabilities.

Members include a representative of the N.D. Association of Community Providers, a community employer representative, an individual with a disability, a family member of an individual with a disability, and the directors or their designees of the N.D. Department of Commerce's Division of Workforce Development, the N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and Developmental Disabilities Division, the N.D. Protection and Advocacy Project, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction's Special Education area.

Agenda items include discussion on a budget proposal to replicate the 2012 survey of employment services offered by community rehabilitation providers, and reports from the Olmstead Commission's Subcommittee on Employment, the Community of Practice on Transition Employment Subcommittee, and the N.D. Association of People Supporting Employment First. A complete 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 Vicki Magill at 701-328-8953, toll free 800-755-2745, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or vmagill@nd.gov.

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