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Human Services reminds stakeholders of upcoming regional advisory group meetings in July

BISMARCK, N.D. – Advisory groups for the North Dakota Department of Human Services' regional human service centers in Devils Lake, Fargo, Jamestown, and Minot will meet in mid-July to receive updates about budgets, operations including staffing, and programs and services provided directly to residents or through contracts with private service providers.

Meetings will be held at the regional human service centers, with the exception of the South Central Human Service Center advisory group, which will meet at 1607 12th Ave. N.E. in Jamestown.

The public is welcome to attend the meetings, which will be held July 15, in Jamestown at 10 a.m., and at Southeast Human Service Center in Fargo at 1:30 p.m., and on July 16, at Lake Region Human Service Center in Devils Lake at 9:30 a.m. On July 20, North Central Human Service Center's advisory group will meet at 10 a.m. in Minot.

Meeting agendas vary by region. Location and agenda details are online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html or by contacting the regional human service centers.

Advisory groups generally meet quarterly and include people representing the multi-county areas served by each center. Members provide information about local needs and make recommendations about the provision of public behavioral health services and other human services in their regions.

A map depicting service regions, a list of core services, and other information is on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in a meeting should contact the person identified in the [public meeting notice](#) for their region.

North Dakota's eight regional human service centers served about 25,948 people in 2014. About 6,331 of those served received developmental disabilities program management services. Together, the regional centers employ about 850 full-time staff. They provide counseling and other behavioral health services, services for people with disabilities, and other human services directly or in partnerships with county social services and other entities.

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