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Human Service Center Advisory Group to meet Jan. 12 in Bismarck

BISMARCK, N.D. – Community representatives from the 10 counties in the Department of Human Services West Central Human Service Center's service region will meet Tuesday, Jan. 12, from 1 to 3 p.m., CT, at 1237 W. Divide Ave., in Bismarck. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in the Morton Room and should enter through Door 4 from Schafer Street.

Center Director Sandy Thompson will provide updates on center operations, and staff will share information about the regional intervention services provided to people with serious mental illness. Advisory group members will have an opportunity to provide regional updates. The meeting agenda is available on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Peggy Krein at 701-328-8742, toll-free 888-328-2662, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888, or pjkrein@nd.gov.

The regional human service center in Bismarck serves residents of Burleigh, Emmons, Grant, Kidder, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sheridan, and Sioux counties, the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, and part of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

North Dakota's eight regional human service centers provide behavioral health services for people with mental health or substance addiction needs, disability-related services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers. While services provided by the regional centers vary based on local needs and available community resources, core services are listed online at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/docs/hsc-core-services.pdf.

For information about West Central Human Service Center, call 701-328-8888, toll-free 888-328-2662, or go online to www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/westcentral/index.html.

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