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Council coordinating services for children with disabilities will meet Monday

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Interagency Coordinating Council advising the North Dakota Department of Human Services on early intervention services for young children with disabilities is holding a video conference meeting 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST on Monday.

The meeting will originate at the department's Prairie Hills Plaza building at 1237 W. Divide Ave., Ste 1A, in Bismarck. People can participate at the department's regional human service centers in Devils Lake, Dickinson, Fargo, Grand Forks, Jamestown, Minot and Williston.

Council members will discuss statewide collaboration efforts, will receive updates on the North Dakota Task Force on Substance Exposed Newborns, the High-Risk Condition Workgroup efforts, training on the Assessment, Evaluation, and Programming System for children from birth through age six, and other topics.

The council will also discuss standing agenda items including the State Systemic Improvement Plan, the Part C Budget Report and developmental disabilities slots. Subcommittees will also provide reports.

The full agenda and meeting location details are available online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/2016/12-19-interagency-coordinating-council-meeting.pdf.

Individuals who need assistance to participate in the meeting or who would like more information about the council can contact the Developmental Disabilities Division at 701-328-8930, toll-free 800-755-8529, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888 or cperkins@nd.gov.

Parents, early intervention professionals, and other interested persons can find council information online at www.nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities/earlyintervention/ndicc/ndicc-index.html.

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