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Northeast Human Service Center hosts regional advisory group meeting on March 21

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Northeast Human Service Center (NEHSC) is holding its regional advisory group meeting on Monday, March 21, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., at the center at 151 S. Fourth St. in Grand Forks.

Advisory group members who represent Grand Forks, Nelson, Pembina, and Walsh counties will receive updates on behavioral health and other human services. Members are encouraged to provide local updates and to make recommendations about meeting local needs.

NEHSC staff member Diane Littlejohn will give a presentation on the Integrated Dual Disorder Treatment program for people with both serious mental illness and substance use disorders. Regional human service center director Kate Kenna will review the 2015-2017 budget, and will provide updates on human resource issues, detox services, the electronic health record project, and the center's licensing visit results.

Following member updates, if time allows, the advisory group may tour the community's new social detox program.

The meeting is open to the public. A complete agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations, including auxiliary aids, to participate in the meeting should contact Michelle Huus at 701-795-3154, toll-free 888-256-6742, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888 or 711 (text telephone), or mhuus@nd.gov.

NEHSC information is available on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northeast/index.html.

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