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State Rehabilitation Council to meet April 21-22

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota State Rehabilitation Council is meeting Thursday, April 21, from 1 and 5 p.m., and Friday, April 22 from 9 a.m. to noon, at the North Dakota Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) office, Prairie Rose Room, at 1237 W. Divide Ave., Ste. 1B, in Bismarck.

On Thursday, council members will hear updates on the Expanded Supported Employment Project and youth transitions, and will participate in committee work on the North Dakota Provisional Hiring Initiative, business awards, membership and public relations, planning and evaluation, and resources.

VR Division Director Russ Cusack will provide a division budget report and appeals report on Friday morning. Afterward, directors of the regional VR offices in Minot and Devils Lake will give regional updates, and Tribal programs will have an opportunity to report on their activities. Members will also hear committee reports.

A complete meeting agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

The council promotes the employment and rehabilitation of people with disabilities and works to raise awareness of disability issues through collaboration among individuals, public agencies, private organizations, and businesses.

Council information is available online at www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/councils-partners/ndsrc.html or by contacting the division at 701-328-8950, toll-free 800-755-2745, Relay ND TTY 800-366-6888, or dhsvr@nd.gov.

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