

**NEWS from the North Dakota Department of Human Services
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Human Services seeking comments on Child Care Development Fund

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Economic Assistance Division is holding a public comment meeting on Monday, July 30, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Central Time to gather comments on the draft 2019-2021 Child Care Development Fund State Plan. The plan focuses on the Child Care Assistance program, child care health and safety standards and quality improvement activities.

The public is invited to participate in the meeting by video conference from any one of these locations:

- **Bismarck:** North Dakota Department of Human Services' Prairie Hills Plaza, 1237 W. Divide Ave., use door 2, Prairie Rose Room;
- **Dickinson:** Badlands Human Service Center, 300 13th Ave. W., Suite 1, Basement General Staff Conference Room;
- **Fargo:** Off Main, 1122 First Ave. N., Conference Room;
- **Grand Forks:** University of North Dakota, Gamble Hall, 293 Centennial Drive, Room 130;
- **Jamestown:** North Dakota State Hospital, 2605 Circle Drive, Room Ed 322;
- **Minot:** North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway, Suite 18, Conference Room 411; and
- **Williston:** Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Conference Room B200.

Individuals who need accommodations, including auxiliary aids or other services to participate in the meeting, can contact Cindy Dennis by 5 p.m. Central Time on Monday, July 23 at 701-328-2332, toll-free 800-755-2716, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or cadennis@nd.gov.

Written comments can be sent to the North Dakota Department of Human Services, Economic Assistance Division, Attn: Samantha O'Brien, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505 or skobrien@nd.gov. Comment deadline is Aug. 10, 2018, at 5 p.m. Central Time.

The draft state plan is available online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/childcarepub.html. A copy can also be obtained by calling 701-328-2332, toll-free 800-755-2716 or ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888.

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