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Jamestown coalition to host Behavioral Health Fair on Sept. 20 to promote prevention, intervention and recovery
Event one of many community events recognizing Recovery Month

BISMARCK, N.D. – This September, communities across the state have come together to organize local events raising awareness about the impact addiction and other behavioral health conditions have on individuals and communities, and promoting community resources that support prevention, intervention and recovery.

On Thursday, Sept. 20, the Jamestown community is holding a behavioral health fair from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Hansen Arts Park.

“Experts on prevention, treatment and recovery support are participating in this free public event that will highlight information about local resources,” said Jamestown Behavioral Health Coalition member Stacey Hunt who is the clinical director at South Central Human Service Center (SCHSC) in Jamestown.

Speakers include Robin Iszler, RN, unit administrator at Central Valley Health; Dan Cramer, clinical psychologist and director of SCHSC; and Adam Martin of the F5 Project in Cass County.

The fair also features resource booths from other coalition members, live entertainment from the band Old Friends and singers Dave and Maggie Oakland, as well as food trucks, and art and craft activities for children with Myra Olson.

Hunt said coalition members representing both the private and public sectors are working together to find ways to connect community members with resources to improve the lives of area residents. Individuals seeking local resources are encouraged to contact Central Valley Health, South Central Human Service Center or other local coalition members.

The Jamestown event is among the last of a series of Recovery Month events that included Recovery Reinvented on Sept. 5 hosted by Gov. Burgum and First Lady Kathryn Helgaas Burgum, and community walks and related events in Minot, Devils Lake and Grand Forks.

The Rolla community is also holding a Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Walk, Sept. 28 beginning at 1:30 p.m. at Lake Region Human Service Center’s outreach office in Rolla, N.D. The walk will end at the Rolla City Hall where participants can enjoy refreshments, visit informational booths and listen to speakers.

Substance abuse prevention and behavioral health recovery information is available online at www.behavioralhealth.nd.gov or by contacting the North Dakota Department of Human Services’ Behavioral Health Division at 701-328-8920, Relay ND TTY 711 or dhsbhd@nd.gov.

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