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## **Committee on Aging to meet Sept. 14 to discuss consumer fraud prevention, senior meal services and other issues**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The state Committee on Aging will meet Friday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. CT, at Edgewood Vista at Edgewood Village, 3124 Colorado Lane in Bismarck to discuss efforts to combat consumer fraud, and adapting senior meals, transportation services and other services to meet needs and changing preferences of today's seniors.

This committee advises the North Dakota Department of Human Services on the needs of older adults and the services available to meet those needs. The meeting is open to the public.

Jessica Juma, an investigator in the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division of the North Dakota Attorney General's Office, will share information at about 10:30 a.m. about common scams and efforts to fight consumer fraud.

Afterwards, Department of Human Services' Aging Services Division Director Nancy Nikolas-Maier will lead a discussion on trends and options for modernizing senior nutrition services, and she will report on the activities of the North Dakota Statewide Aging Collaborative committee, a multi-agency effort working to assure a full array of services to meet seniors' needs. She will also provide an update on the comments the department received during public hearings and through a survey on the draft State Plan on Aging.

Other business may be discussed. The agenda includes time for public comment on aging issues and is available online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html). Individuals unable to attend in person can join the meeting by conference call at 701-328-7950, passcode 973593#.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to participate in the meeting should contact Amy Johnson in advance of the meeting at 701-328-4601, toll-free 855-462-5465 (the Aging and Disability Resource LINK line), ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or [amyjohnson@nd.gov](mailto:amyjohnson@nd.gov).

Committee on Aging information is available on the Web at [www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/gcoa.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/gcoa.html).

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