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Northwest Human Service Center advisory group to meet Nov. 6

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Northwest Human Service Center is hosting its quarterly advisory group meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 6 from noon to 2 p.m. at the regional center in Williston.

Center leadership team members will review the agency's mission, values, mandates and strategic direction, including an update on the provision of emergency services, and the demographic profiles for the populations the center serves. Members will also be briefed on an assessment of the previous long-term planning cycle, including strengths and areas of opportunity. Members will discuss measurable goals and objectives, and strategies to meet identified goals.

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda also includes time for members to discuss suggestions on filling vacant advisory group positions. The complete agenda is available online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Kristy Green at 701-774-4600, toll-free 800-231-7724, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or kgreen@nd.gov.

The department's eight regional human service centers provide community-based behavioral health services focusing on chronic disease management and emergency services. Behavioral health staff also provide walk-in behavioral health assessments, community outreach and short-term crisis residential services. Other agency team members provide case management services for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, vocational rehabilitation services to help people with disabilities achieve their employment goals, and other human services.

Services are provided directly by staff or through partnerships with county social services and contracts with other providers. Details about centers and services are available online at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/>.

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