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**Agencies and independent providers invited to Jan. 12 meeting to learn how to become approved Title IV-E prevention services providers to children and families**

BISMARCK, N.D. – Building stronger families is one of the North Dakota Department of Human Services’ key priorities. To help achieve that goal, the Children and Family Services Division is inviting agencies and independent providers that serve children and families to an online informational meeting Jan. 12, from 2 to 3 p.m. CT, to learn how to apply to become approved Title IV-E prevention services providers. Participants will also learn about provider requirements, reimbursement, tools and how to access online resources.

Interested independent and agency providers can join the [virtual online meeting](#) or can participate by conference call at 701-328-0950, Conference ID 266 139 344#. For those unable to attend, the meeting will be recorded and available online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childfamily/iv-e-prevention.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childfamily/iv-e-prevention.html).

Interested independent and agency providers are encouraged to view, complete and submit the application to become an approved provider online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childfamily/iv-e-prevention.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childfamily/iv-e-prevention.html).

On Aug. 17, 2020, North Dakota became the seventh state in the country to receive approval of its Family First Prevention Services Act: Title IV-E Prevention Services Plan from the federal Children’s Bureau. This plan gives North Dakota access to federal Title IV-E funding for approved evidence-based prevention services proven to strengthen and stabilize children and families so children can remain safely in their homes. Services include behavioral health and substance abuse treatment and recovery support services, as well as in-home parent skill-based programs.

For questions about the informational meeting or the provider application process contact [TitleIVeprevention@nd.gov](mailto:TitleIVeprevention@nd.gov).

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