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## **ND Behavioral Health Planning Council Legislative Committee to meet Jan. 22 by video conference**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Legislative Committee of the North Dakota Behavioral Health Planning Council will meet Jan. 22 from 11 a.m. to noon CT by video conference. The council is a citizen advisory group that includes people with lived experience and other stakeholders. The public is welcome to attend.

The Behavioral Health Planning Council's Legislative Committee consists of the council's executive committee and other selected council members.

The meeting agenda includes a review of the 2021 Legislative Assembly calendar of business for the weeks of January 18 and January 25. Members will also discuss the current standing of the executive budget for the North Dakota Department of Human Services, in addition to other identified legislative activity.

The committee has reserved time for public comment on behavioral health services and issues from 11:45 to 11:55 a.m. A complete agenda is online at [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html).

Interested individuals can join by video at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84102939577>, Meeting ID: 841 0293 9577 or by phone at 1-346-248-7799, Meeting ID: 841 0293 9577#.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to participate in the meeting or who would like more information about the Behavioral Health Planning Council can contact Council Facilitator Greg Gallagher at 701-224-0588 ext. 102, 711 (TTY) or [ggallagher@agree.org](mailto:ggallagher@agree.org).

The governor appoints council members who represent people with first-hand knowledge of behavioral health services, their family members, other advocates, agencies, human service zone offices (formerly called county social service offices), and public and private behavioral health service providers. Council information is available at [www.nd.gov/dhs/services/mentalhealth/ndmhpc/](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/mentalhealth/ndmhpc/).

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