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Human Service Centers host regional advisory group meetings in May

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' eight regional human service centers in Bismarck, Devils Lake, Dickinson, Fargo, Grand Forks, Jamestown, Minot and Williston are holding their regularly scheduled advisory group meetings in May at their respective locations.

The advisory group meetings will follow the same agenda.

Center directors will share updates on the department's enhancements of statewide behavioral health crisis services and the redesign of intensive in-home and community-based services for youth and their families. They will also provide information on peer support services, the practice model used to guide safety net services at each center and the COVID-19 response. Other business will be discussed.

The meetings are open to the public, and are scheduled on these dates and times:

- Badlands Human Service Center – Tuesday, May 4, at 1 p.m., MT in **Dickinson**,
- Northwest Human Service Center – Wednesday, May 5, at 10 a.m. CT in **Williston**,
- Northeast Human Service Center – Monday, May 10, at 10 a.m. CT in **Grand Forks**,
- West Central Human Service Center – Tuesday, May 11, at 10 a.m. CT in **Bismarck**,
- North Central Human Service Center – Monday, May 17, at 10 a.m. CT in **Minot**,
- Lake Region Human Service Center – Wednesday, May 19, at 10 a.m. CT in **Devils Lake**,
- South Central Human Service Center – Wednesday, May 19, at 10 a.m. CT in **Jamestown**,
- and Southeast Human Service Center – Wednesday, May 19, at 1 p.m. CT in **Fargo**.

Individuals interested in attending one of the meetings can find both in-person and virtual meeting information and other details at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to participate can contact LuWanna Lawrence at 701-328-1892, 711 (TTY) or lklawrence@nd.gov.

The department's eight regional human services centers and three satellite clinics served nearly 22,000 individuals between March 2019 and November 2020.

The centers, as public behavioral health providers of clinic, community and residential care, serve the needs of individuals with persistent and severe behavioral health disorders and individuals with limited resources. Screenings are available during regular business hours for individuals seeking walk-in behavioral health services. Crisis services and support are also available 24-hours a day by calling 211.

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