

PUBLIC MEETING(S) NOTICE

N.D. Department of Human Services 2010 State Plan on Aging Public Hearings

The Aging Services Division of the N.D. Department of Human Services is hosting public hearings so that older adults and adults with physical disabilities can comment about services that can help them stay living in their homes and communities.

Comments will help update North Dakota's State Plan on Aging, which describes priorities and the services supported with federal Older Americans Act dollars.

The Aging Services Division funds a toll-free information and assistance phone line and Web site, home-delivered meals, meals provided at senior meal sites, and services that help people maintain their health such as foot care services, pulse and rapid health inspections, medication set-up services, and outreach services that are provided through contracts with senior service providers, as well as other services.

The division also funds senior legal assistance services, the senior companion program, the Family Caregiver Support Program, long-term care ombudsman services, and services provided when people report potential abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of seniors and other vulnerable adults.

Scheduled Public Hearings:

March 30 – **Valley City**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 139 Second Ave. S.E.
April 5 – **Dickinson**, 10 a.m. MT, City Hall, 99 Second St. E.
April 12 – **Fort Yates**, 10 a.m., Prairie Knights Casino, 7932 Highway 24
April 13 – **Kenmare**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 114 Second St. N.W.
April 14 – **New Town**, 10 a.m., Northern Lights Building, 710 East Ave.
April 16 – **Fargo**, 1 p.m., Carlson Library, 2801 32nd Ave. S.
April 22 – **Bismarck**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 315 N. 20th St.
April 26 – **St. Michael**, 11 a.m., Spirit Lake Casino, 7889 Highway 57
April 27 – **Belcourt**, 1 p.m., Turtle Mountain Retirement Home, Saint Ann's Road
April 28 – **Langdon**, 1 p.m., Cavalier County Senior Center, 211 8th Ave.
April 29 – **Grand Forks**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 620 Fourth Ave. S.
May 4 – **Williston**, 9:30 a.m., Senior Center, 18 Main St.
May 4 – **Trenton**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 6 Circle Dr.

Public hearing sites are accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals who need auxiliary aids to participate or who have questions should call the department's Aging and Disability Resource LINK at 1-800-451-8693 or Relay ND at 800-366-6888 or 711.

Written comments are welcome and may be submitted until May 14, 2010, to the N.D. Department of Human Services Aging Services Division at 1237 W. Divide Ave., Suite 6, Bismarck, ND 58501, or via e-mail to dhsaging@nd.gov.