

**Budget Committee on Human Services  
Senator Dick Dever, Chairman  
North Dakota Developmental Center  
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**Mr. Chairman and members of the Budget Committee on Human Services for the record my name is Ken Schulz, the Chief Financial Officer for the North Dakota Developmental Center and State Hospital. Thank you for allowing me to present on the North Dakota Developmental Center. Also present for today's tour and presentation is Sue Foerster, Assistant Superintendent of the Developmental Center and Carol Ebertowski, Fiscal Manager for the North Dakota Developmental Center and the State Hospital.**

**Programs at the North Dakota Developmental Center**

**The Developmental Center provides services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The program includes residential services, with work and day activity services, clinical and medical services and evaluation and consultation services. The Developmental Center continues its efforts on an outreach program to assist the community with crisis evaluation and consultation to prevent admission to the Developmental Center.**

**Residential Services at the Developmental Center**

**The Developmental Center through its day and residential services program provides training and assistance with daily living activities to eligible people with disabilities so they can achieve their agreed upon personal goals.**

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**Services in this program include, ICF/MR and Work and Day Activity.**

**Medical and Clinical Services Program at the Developmental Center**

**The Developmental Center through its medical and clinical services program provides evaluation and treatment, assessment therapy, training, and supportive services to people with disabilities so they can achieve and maintain their optimal mental and physical health.**

**Services in this program include; medical services, nursing services, dental services and a variety of professional therapy services.**

**The needs of individuals with developmental disabilities who require a structured residential setting such as the Developmental Center include:**

- Sexual Health Unit – these Developmentally Disabled individuals have sex offending behaviors and require long term care.**
- Dual Sensory Unit – for Developmentally Disabled individuals diagnosed with profound retardation and vision and hearing disabilities, who also have severe medical conditions and require complicated care. These individuals require long-term care.**
- Medical Unit – for individuals with developmental disabilities who are totally dependent on staff to complete daily cares and have medical concerns that require nursing staff accessibility 24 hours per day. These individuals require long-term care.**

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- **Behavioral Care Unit – for individuals with developmental disabilities whom present with psychiatric diagnoses and significant challenging behaviors.**

### **Resident Population at the Developmental Center**

**The Developmental Center at the time of this presentation has 136 residents, which includes 134 individuals with developmental disabilities and two (2) individuals with traumatic brain injury. An additional five (5) developmental disabled individuals reside at the State Hospital. The individuals at the State Hospital after completion of treatment and behavioral modification will be either placed at the Developmental Center or in community settings. The two (2) individuals with traumatic brain injury will be placed in community settings by the fall of 2006.**

### **Current Status of the 2005 – 2007 Developmental Center Budget**

**See Attachment A for the current status of the Developmental Center's Budget and the daily costs per client.**

### **Major Program Changes**

**As indicated in Mr. Schweitzer's report yesterday to this committee in Jamestown, the goal of the Department of Human Services and the Developmental Center is to reduce the Center's population to 67 individuals by year 2011.**

**Thank you again and I would be happy to answer any questions or concerns.**