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Human Services to Hold Public Information Meeting to Discuss Proposed Changes to the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver that Serves People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

BISMARCK, N.D. - The N.D. Department of Human Services will hold a public information meeting on Thurs., Dec. 12, 2013, from 10 a.m. to noon (Central Time) to share information about changes in the department's Traditional Home and Community-Based Services Waiver. The waiver serves people with intellectual and developmental disabilities by providing an array of home and community-based services in the least restrictive environment.

The public is invited to attend the meeting at these locations:

- **Bismarck** - N.D. Department of Human Services Developmental Disabilities Division, Prairie Hills Plaza, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Ste. 1A, Prairie Rose Room
- **Devils Lake** - Lake Region Human Service Center, 200 Highway 2 S.W., East Conference Room
- **Dickinson** - Job Service North Dakota, 66 Osborne Dr., Video Conference Room
- **Fargo** - Southeast Human Service Center, 2624 Ninth Ave. S., Cass East Room
- **Grand Forks** - Northeast Human Service Center, 151 S. Fourth St., Ste. 401, Meeting Room 5E
- **Jamestown** - South Central Human Service Center, 520 Third St. N.W., Conference Room 124
- **Minot** - North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway, Ste. 18, Conference Room 411
- **Williston** - Northwest Human Service Center, 316 Second Ave. W., Conference Room A200

This meeting is intended to explain the waiver process and proposed changes in the upcoming waiver renewal application, which needs review and approval by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The current waiver expires on March 31, 2014.

Waivers allow states to develop Medicaid-funded programs that differ from the standard Medicaid program.

Individuals with disabilities who need accommodations to attend the meeting can contact Colette Perkins at 701-328-8983, toll free 800-755-8529, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or cperkins@nd.gov.

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