

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

## Tentative Agenda

**HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

West Conference Center, Nutrition Services Building, Room 147

Life Skills and Transition Center

701 West Sixth Street

Grafton, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the August 1, 2017, meeting  
Comments by the Chairman
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Life Skills and Transition Center regarding the center's programs, services, and community involvement
- 9:15 a.m. Tour of the Life Skills and Transition Center

**EARLY INTERVENTION SYSTEM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES STUDY**

- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Roxane Romanick, Bismarck, regarding the formation of a task force to review concerns with the early intervention system, including progress of the task force and its plan for developing possible solutions for the committee's consideration
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the committee's study of the state's early intervention system for children from birth to age 3 with developmental disabilities pursuant to Section 2 of 2017 Senate Bill No. 2325, including a review of the following:
- Coordination process of Medicaid, the Developmental Disabilities Division program management, and the early intervention system, including eligibility, redetermination, and authorization;
  - The billing process for individuals receiving federal Part C services and options to bill more of these services under Medicaid;
  - The statewide developmental screening program; and
  - Administrative costs of the early intervention system, including the adequacy of the funding and full-time equivalent positions and suggested changes
- 11:45 a.m. Comments by interested persons
- 12:15 p.m. Committee discussion
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon recess

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS STUDY**

- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Christopher Jones, Executive Director, Department of Human Services, regarding the organizational structure of the department
- 2:10 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the committee's study of state and federal laws and regulations relating to the care and treatment of individuals with developmental disabilities and behavioral health needs pursuant to Section 33 of 2017 House Bill No. 1012, including a review of the following:
- The funding, mission, and caseload at the Life Skills and Transition Center;
  - The number of clients served by the Life Skills and Transition Center in each region of the state for outreach services;

- The number of clients eligible for community placement;
- The center's transition plan, including the results of a study from a transition task force regarding reasons individuals are admitted to, remain at, and transition from the Life Skills and Transition Center;
- A comparison of the costs of serving an individual at the Life Skills and Transition Center to the costs of serving the individual in a community setting at a group home;
- The types and level of services available to individuals with a developmental disability in each region and whether those services are meeting the needs of the individuals; and
- The number of individuals receiving developmental disabilities program management by region and changes in the numbers served for each region

- 2:40 p.m. Presentations by Mr. Tom Newberger, Executive Director, Red River Human Services Foundation, Fargo, and Ms. Sandra Marshall, Chief Executive Officer, Developmental Homes, Inc., Grand Forks, regarding community-based services, including the costs and effectiveness of services
- 3:00 p.m. Comments by interested persons
- 3:15 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding any major current or pending court cases relating to the 1999 *Olmstead v. L.C.* case
- 3:20 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the state's behavioral health services and delivery systems, including:
- The number of individuals receiving services by category by region and the changes in the numbers served for each region;
  - Information regarding the potential overlap of behavioral health services with other human service center services, including developmental disabilities, child welfare, adult protection, and vocational rehabilitation services; and
  - Whether changes are necessary to maintain compliance with state and federal laws and regulations
- 3:40 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Rebecca Quinn, Program Director, Center for Rural Health, University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Services, regarding behavioral health workforce implementation plan development
- 3:45 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Kurt A. Snyder, Executive Director, Heartview Foundation, regarding information on the types of behavioral health services being provided by private providers and any suggested changes for treatment and recovery services
- 4:00 p.m. Comments by interested persons
- 4:15 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Senators: Judy Lee (Chairman), Tom Campbell, Robert Erbele, Tim Mathern, Nicole Poolman  
 Representatives: Bert Anderson, Pamela Anderson, Gretchen Dobervich, Karla Rose Hanson, Karen Karls, Aaron McWilliams, Karen M. Rohr, Mary Schneider, Kathy Skroch

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