

July 23, 2025

Liz Fordahl, Counsel
North Dakota Legislative Council
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Proposed Creation of N.D. Admin. Code Chapter 75-03-23.2
Community Transition and Diversion Program

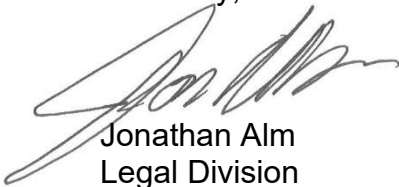
Dear Ms. Fordahl:

Enclosed for filing in the office of the Legislative Council is the Notice of Intent to Create Administrative Rules concerning the above proposed rules as required by N.D.C.C. section 28-32-10. Also enclosed is a copy of the proposed rules.

We have requested publication of an abbreviated newspaper publication notice once in each official county newspaper which will notify the public that an oral hearing on these rules will be held on Monday, September 15, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m. and continuing until 12:00 p.m. or until no further testimony is offered, whichever occurs first.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 328-2311. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Alm
Legal Division

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cc: Nancy Maier, Aging Services
Jessica Thomasson, Executive Director of Human Services Division

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO CREATE
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO
N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 75-03-23.2
COMMUNITY TRANSITION AND DIVERSION PROGRAM

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address the proposed creation of N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23.2 at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, September 15, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

The proposed creation of N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23.2, Community Transition and Diversion Program, is necessary to comply with the provisions of 2025 House Bill No. 1012. The proposed creation is as follows:

Section 75-03-23.2-01 is created to provide definitions for “community residence”, “diversion”, “most integrated setting”, provider-operated residential facilities”, “significant disability”, and “community transition”.

Section 75-03-23.2-02 is created to outline the eligibility criteria for participation in the community transition program, including current and planned residence, application, qualification for other programs, and past participation in the program.

Section 75-03-23.2-03 is created to outline the eligibility criteria for participation in the diversion program, including other program participation, risk of placement in a provider-operated residential facility, and application requirements.

Section 75-03-23.2-04 is created to outline the services covered under the community transition and diversion program, including transitioning from a provider-operated living facility to a community residence and preventing placement in a provider operated living facility.

Section 75-03-23.2-05 is created to outline the expenses the department is permitted to pay as part of the community transition or diversion program.

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Section 75-03-23.2-06 is created to provide for an appeal process when there is a denial, termination, or reduction of benefits for a community transition or diversion program.

The proposed rule is anticipated to have a positive impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000. No taking of real property is involved in this rulemaking action.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones and at human service centers/state-operated behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules, may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments on the proposed rules must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 25, 2025.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

Dated this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Department of Health and Human Services is proposing creation of N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23.2, Community Transition and Diversion Program. The department has adopted procedures to assure public input into the formulation of the rules prior to adoption.

In conformity with those procedures, we are providing you with a copy of the proposed rules and are requesting that you provide any written data, views, or arguments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 25, 2025.

The department has scheduled an oral hearing for Monday, September 15, 2025. Further information concerning the public hearing is included in the attached notice of proposed rulemaking and public hearing.

Your participation is welcomed, as are your suggestions. Please send all written data, views, or arguments to: Rules Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505-0250.

Sincerely,



J. Patrick Traynor
Interim Commissioner

JPT/rv

Enclosures

cc: Liz Fordahl, Legislative Council
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Jessica Thomasson, Executive Director of Human Services Division

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