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## **Governor's Committee on Aging Seeks Members**

Representatives sought from Fargo, Jamestown, Minot, and the Trenton Indian Service Area

BISMARCK – The Governor's Committee on Aging is seeking four new members to fill vacancies on the 14-member advisory body. The committee meets quarterly to focus on national and state issues and challenges facing older individuals and acts as an advisory body for the North Dakota Department of Human Services' Aging Services Division.

"We are seeking individuals to serve three-year terms and to actively represent the Fargo, Jamestown, and Minot regions, as well as the Trenton Indian Service Area in Williams County," Committee Chairman Amy Clark said. "We invite older individuals, local elected officials, and members of the general public who are interested in aging issues to apply."

According to Clark, the Governor's Committee on Aging sponsors community forums and works to achieve committee goals. Members actively advocate for the needs of older individuals, including monitoring and making recommendations on legislation and government policies impacting older individuals. Members also participate in Regional Councils on Aging, she said.

Aging Services Division Director Linda Wright said, "Committee members provide a very valuable consumer perspective on services in North Dakota and the needs and concerns of older individuals."

The state reimburses members for meal and lodging costs incurred while attending committee meetings and functions.

Applications are online at <u>http://www.governor.nd.gov/boards/doc/sfn07387.pdf</u> and should be submitted to Nicole Weiler, Office of the Governor, 600 East Boulevard Avenue Dept. 101, Bismarck, ND 58505-0001. For information contact Weiler at 701-328-2219.