

Presenter:

A.J. Mock: A.J. is the Project Director for Williston Council for the Aging/Northwest Dakota Public Transit. He helped facilitate providing affordable public transit to meet the needs of his community. A.J. is a past Quality Assurance Director of Trinity Nursing Home and is also a licensed Nursing Home Administrator.

Panel Members:

Janelle Olson: Janelle is a Disabilities Advocate with the ND State Protection and Advocacy Project for the past 25 years. Janelle's vision is impaired to the point she has not been able to get a driver's license so has had to rely on others or her feet to get her from one place to another.

Penny Pozgay: Penny is an Outreach Specialist for the Williston office of Independence, Inc. (Minot). She assists people with disabilities in receiving appropriate services to enable them to live more independently. Additionally, Penny serves as the Executive Chair for the Mayor's Committee for the Employment and Advancement of People with Disabilities (CEAD).

Charles Robinson: Charlie is the Executive Director of Opportunity Foundation since 1991. Opportunity Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit corporation created to support people who are developmentally disabled.

Dawn Olson: Dawn is a Consumer Liaison for NDCPD. She is responsible for coordinating the activities and meetings of the NDCPD Consumer Advisory Council, an advisory group to the Center. In addition Dawn works on the ND Comprehensive Employment Services Project conducting focus group meetings to identify employment barriers and service gaps as perceived by people with disabilities in the state of North Dakota.

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Transportation and Disability Summit

Sponsored by the



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9:00am-3:00pm, Central

El Rancho Inn

Williston, ND



About the Sponsor

This summit is the seventh in a series of summits sponsored by the North Dakota Developmental Disabilities Network (NDDDN). This network is a unique partnership serving individuals with developmental disabilities throughout ND who believe the American Dream belongs to everyone.

The network consists of 3 collaborative entities: The Protection and Advocacy Project (P&A); ND Center for Persons with Disabilities (NDCPD); and the ND State Council on Developmental Disabilities (NDSCDD). Together, they form a network striving to assure that individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to culturally competent community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity and integration and inclusion in all facets of community life.



About this Event

NDDDN will be hosting a series of multifaceted summits designed to achieve a wide range of outcomes. The **Transportation and Disability Summit**, is the seventh in a series of monthly multifaceted summits. The expected outcomes will be to:

- provide a venue where persons with transportation issues and disabilities can come together to discuss transportation and disability issues and provide input on the challenges surrounding them.
- create a list of actionable tasks that may help to provide direction to NDDDN for future projects.
- gather insight on how members of NDDDN could possibly address these issues.

The NDDDN helps individuals with disabilities achieve increased independence and an excellent quality of life.

A.J. Mock will be the keynote speaker. He will discuss his goal to make available affordable public transit in their community and how they were able to provide this service.

Panel members: Janelle Olson, Penny Pozgay, Charles Robinson and Dawn Olson will discuss issues of transportation and disability representing the agencies in attendance.

Agenda

8:30	Registration
9:00	Welcome, Opening Remarks Introductions, Agency Backgrounds, Purpose
9:45	AUCD Agency Overview
10:00	Break
10:15	Keynote Speaker: A.J. Mock/Q&A
11:30	Lunch (On Your Own)
12:30	“Topical Speed Dating”
1:30	Break
1:45	Panelists: Janelle Olson, Penny Pozgay, Charles Robinson and Dawn Olson/Q&A
2:45	Topical “Top 3,” Wrap-Up, Thank you, Session Evaluation

Who Should Attend

This summit is planned for individuals with disabilities, family members, transportation service providers, disability professionals, or anyone interested in transportation issues for individuals with disabilities.

Registration Process

There is no registration fee for this summit. A registration table will be located at the summit entrance. If you have questions, please call toll free 1-800-233-1737 and ask for Chad DeCoteau or email chad.decoteau@minotstateu.edu.

