

## Presenters:



**Kari Arravan:** Prior to NDCPD, Kari has several years experience in the DD arena. Kari's NDCPD experiences include training ND teachers in rural areas on peer coaching and behavior intervention, promoting inclusion of children with disabilities in community recreation activities, and providing training to ND law enforcement on disability-related issues. Kari is currently the Program Director of the ND Disability Health Project. Kari received undergraduate degrees in Developmental Disabilities and Psychology, and an MS degree in Special Education-Severe Disabilities from MSU.



**Kora Dockter:** Kora serves as the Director of the ND Integrated Services Project, and NDCPD Project. Kora is a registered nurse and holds a Bachelors of Nursing Science degree from MedCenter One College of Nursing. Kora has almost 15 years of pediatric nursing experience ranging from clinical to administrative nursing, most recently working with children with special health care needs at the state level.



**Dawn Olson:** Dawn Olson 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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# Health Issues and Disability Summit

Sponsored by the



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9:00am-3:00pm, Central

*Missouri Room - Conference  
Center, Student Center*

*Minot State University,  
Minot, North Dakota*



## About the Sponsor

This summit is the first 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 serving individuals with developmental disabilities: 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 trio 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 range of outcomes. This summit, **Health Issues and Disability**, will be the first. The expected outcomes will be:

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

The NDDDN works to help individuals with disabilities achieve increased independence and an excellent quality of life.

Ms. Kari Arrayan will give an overview on the ND Disability Health Project, an NDCPD grant. She will speak specifically on the impact of disabilities in ND including data on health disparities between people with and without disabilities in ND.

Ms. Kora Dockter and Ms. Dawn Olson will highlight the changing roles of individuals, their families, and healthcare providers as they transition from the pediatric health care system to an adult health care system. This unique interview-style presentation will help participants plan for the difference in these two systems of care.

## Agenda

8:30	Registration
9:00	Welcome, Opening Remarks
9:15	Introductions, Agency Backgrounds, Purpose
10:10	Break
10:30	Presenter: Kari Arrayan/Q&A
11:30	AUCD.org website review
11:45	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:00	“Topical Speed Dating”
1:50	Break
2:00	Presenters: Kora Dockter & 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, health service providers, social workers, and others interested in health issues for people 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.

