



UCP SEGUIN – SPECIAL UPDATE ON COVID-19

March 16, 2020

Attention UCP Seguin Employees, People Served, Families and Friends,

DAY PROGRAMS

Per a directive from the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), all Community Day Service locations across the state, which includes **UCP Seguin Day Program locations, must close effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020**. We are directed to remain closed through April 15, 2020. It is possible that DHS will extend the time frame for closure past April 15th.

The sites to be closed include the Carr Center (3100 S Central Ave) and the adjunct site at 3150 S Central Ave (Cicero), Seguin Auto Center, Seguin Gardens & Gifts, CHOICE/Levinson Center (Oak Park), Community Connections South (Tinley Park), CLIMB (Villa Park), Community Connections Berkeley, Community Connections Wheaton, and the Betty Scheck Senior Center (La Grange Park).

Individuals employed in community-based jobs **are to continue to report to work**, unless and until their employers direct them otherwise.

Individuals in Day Services who reside in UCP Seguin residential sites (CILA group homes, Adult Foster Care homes) will continue to be served during weekday hours in these homes.

RESIDENTIAL AND ADULT FOSTER CARE

The State has also provided guidance and directives on addressing the needs of individuals who reside in CILA group homes and Adult Foster homes. UCP Seguin is implementing the following procedures effective immediately:

- Families who are able are ***strongly encouraged*** to bring their loved ones with disabilities home during this period of crisis. In such cases, however, the resident cannot return to the group home for a minimum of 14 days.
- Visiting of group/adult foster homes is restricted to addressing critical, urgent medical and/or behavioral health concerns of residents, to be conducted by medical/behavioral health personnel employed by or on contract with UCP Seguin. Additional therapies (OT/PT) will be suspended, with individual psychotherapy conducted as possible through phone and other electronic communications. Please contact your family member's home administrator to determine critical need.
- Families are encouraged to stay in touch with their loved ones through phone or

other electronic means (FaceTime, Skype, etc.)

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RECREATION SERVICES

In order to minimize the risk and keep safe during this health crisis, UCP Seguin is suspending all recreation / “club” activities until April 15, 2020.

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NOTE: Although there is a growing number of confirmed cases of the virus in the Greater Chicago area, the rest of Illinois and the nation, as of this time we have no knowledge of any COVID-19 / coronavirus cases at UCP Seguin.

This will be a tough challenge for us all...and we will do all we can at UCP Seguin to ensure the health and safety of everyone we serve, our staff, and all who are part of the UCP Seguin community. We will continue to communicate with all parties concerned via phone calls, email, updates at ucpseguin.org and social media. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Best to All,
UCP Seguin COVID-19 Task Force

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