July 17, 2020

To Our Valued Employees,

I wanted to provide you an update regarding COVID-19 activities.

1. Recently one of our employees tested positive for COVID-19. Thus, two employees have now tested positive (one person in March and one in July). The GREAT news is that nobody else has tested positive; people supported or employees.

**MASK WEARING, HYGIENE AND SOCIAL DISTANCING MATTER!**

1. There are several community testing dates scheduled for SW North Dakota:

**REGISTRATION LINK is testreg.nd.gov**

From Sherri Adams at SWDHU

For now, this is what I have scheduled for the SW—other regions will start scheduling in the next week or so.

**Dickinson**---we are able to use the old Sanford Building Parking lot (Thanks Sanford)—that address is 938 2nd Ave E—for now Weekly

Wednesday—July 15th  9-11:30 am   300 samples

Tuesday—July 21st  8-10:30am  300 samples

Tuesday—July 28th  8-10:30am  300 samples

Tuesday—August 4th  8-10:30am 300 samples

**Medora—**weekly—Medora Fire Hall 604  E River Rd S

Thursday  July 16th—8:30-11:00 200 samples

Thursday July 23rd—8:30-11:00 200 samples

Thursday July 30th—8:30-11:00 200 samples

Thursday August 6--8:30-11:00 200 samples

Other locations in the SW will be set up after coordination with the local EM

So Far this is planned: July 22nd—Dunn County---location TBD

Adams County—July 25?

1. ABLE, Inc. would like to promote that our employee attend testing at these sites. Our plans to support our employees testing have changed slightly:
2. For employees who are already on the time clock, please coordinate coverage with your support coordinator so we have adequate staffing coverage. **You may remain on the time clock during the testing**.
3. For employees who are off the clock, we are paying one hour for testing. You may fill out a timekeeping form.

REGARDING TRAVEL and SOCIAL EVENTS, we are not limiting our staff in attending events. ***This is why we need your full cooperation to come to work and follow the rules of scanning, hygiene, mask wearing, and social distancing.***

Please know that this virus is extremely dangerous for the people we support. You can help keep them safe by following precautions. We would love it if you used as much caution in the community as you are doing at work.

Again, thank you so much for all you are doing!

Mary Anderson

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