May 29, 2020

To our very excellent employees,

This is to give you the most current rundown of plans that are based on the most current data available:

1. Adams County has had no positive cases
2. Bowman County has had no positive cases (they show 1 positive case but it was someone whose address was Bowman County but lived elsewhere).
3. Stark County has had a flat line for the past 2-3 weeks
4. ABLE, Inc. has had zero positives for people supported and 1 positive for staff. Currently almost ALL staff have or have plans to return to work.
5. The Governor has lifted restrictions

Based on data above, here are the latest plans:

* May 29th, we will be allowing families to visit inside homes. For families who visit an ICF/IID group homes, we will arrange for an area for the families to visit their loved one. Again, using the same precautions that are currently in place.
* June 1st the Thrift Center, Decades and Repeat Outlet will open with regular hours. Staff and people supported will be wearing masks.
* June 8th Day Supports will begin. Based upon new public policy provided by the State DD Division, we will be moving back to a social/rec model with employment being in other buildings. Day Supports will be limited to people supported who are living in the community with family or other providers as a way to create some level of containment.
* If there is continued stability, we will be allowing people supported to visit family members at the family members home. (Date not set)

Regarding employees; we will:

* Continue to wear masks
* Continue screening processes however, we plan to revise the screenings to include more questions about contacts
* Continue disinfecting and safe handling procedures
* Limit outside visitors
* Continue to ask employees to self-isolate if they are sick, has been in contact with a person who has symptoms or tests positive, or someone in the household has been in contact with a person who has symptoms or tests positive.

Thank you so much for all that you are doing to keep yourselves, your coworkers and the people you support SAFE!

Lastly, please know that if things change for the better or the worse, ABLE, Inc. will have to respond accordingly.

Mary Anderson

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