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Health and Human
Services

Abilene State Supported Living Center

OUR MISSION:
To empower people to make choices
that result in a life of dignity and
increased independence.

AbSSLC News

Abilene SSLC

Week of December 6th, 2021

COVID19 Testing

Week of 12.06.2021

We are resuming testing 2x for each round.

Round 1

Tuesday, December 7th
0530-1130 & 1300-1500
or

Wednesday, December 8th
0700-1130 & 1300-1500

Round 2

Thursday, December 9th
0530-1130 & 1300-1500
or

Friday, December 10th
0700-1130 & 1300-1500

AbSSLC COVID19 Status

As of Friday, 12.03.2021

Number of Individuals Positive	0
Number of Individuals currently in Isolation	0
Number of Staff Positive	3

Tier I Leadership Course - January 2022!

Our FCT&D Team successfully completed the inaugural course of Tier I (enhanced from the former ELS) last week. Thank you to our Instructors and Graduates!

After a small break for the holidays, they are once again offering the Tier I course in January 2022!

The Tier I course is designed for staff who are seeking to be future supervisors or are new managers. The course is held over six 1x weekly sessions beginning January 12th. Class sessions will be half-day Wednesday afternoons, except for the last session date which is a full day. The course provides active engagement to learn basic tools needed for new managers to succeed. Applications can be accessed on the shared drive at <S:\AbSSLC Leadership Development\Tier I - Jan 2022\Tier I Leadership Development Application.docx>

Applications are due by Friday, December 17th at 5pm. Questions? Please contact Barbara at x3242, or Kayla at x3607.

Emergency Situations on Campus

There are instances on campus (such as Behavioral Incidents, Fire Trucks, Ambulances, etc.) that will require you to take different routes to get you where you need to be. This can be especially important during times when we need to shut the exit gates for the safety of those living here.

When a situation like this occurs, staff should be watching for Security (and/or other staff) directing traffic another direction and possibly to a different gate to use. When you see this, you need to change your route and follow the given directions – just trying to bypass this won't get you out any faster and actually may delay you further. Not following directions can also put those that live here at risk.

In addition, you should **never** (never ever) try to pass an Individual in the roadway while a Behavior Incident is underway. This is a very dangerous thing to do.

Christmas Lane 2021

December 3rd – December 26th

**CHRISTMAS
PARADE**

Friday, December 10th @ 3pm
(Line-up @ 2:30pm)

All Department & Homes are encouraged to have a float in the parade!

Shout Outs!

Shout out to **Pharmacy staff!** Short-handed one Pharmacists. Pharmacists got all autofills verified to go out in a 2-day work week to go out on Wednesday, did cancel and reorders AND had a new admit all on TUESDAY. Their technicians appreciate them very much.

I wanted to give a HUGE shout out to ALL of the **Maintenance guys** that helped with Christmas Lane. The light tunnel looks great and I know everyone enjoyed the walk through.

There is a staff member @ 6750 Circle Drive that needs to be commended - she is the life line for this home. The entire 6-2 shift called in and she, on her own initiative, came in to help. She works 16 hours a day or 12 hours a day every day she works, this is not the first day she has done this she is here anytime she is needed. She never complains and she does with a good heart. Her name is **Christie Williams** she is the DSP III on the 6-2 shift. The facility and people we serve are very fortunate to have her as an employee.

Would like to give a shout out to **Angela Pullin**, she is an amazing supervisor. She helps in any way she can. She goes above and beyond every day. We love her at 6750 Circle Drive! She deserves to be recognized!

I want to give a HUGE shout out to the **people that volunteered with the Christmas Lane walk thru** for the residents. I know that the residents are so happy that you took the time to take them through all the lights that they will never forget this. You are amazing people Thank you!

Shout to **Jeff Goza** for keeping all who work at AbSSLC up to date on factual information related to COVID-19 and for continuing to encourage vaccinations & boosters in an effort to keep the people than live and work here at our facility as safe as possible

A Shout Out to **Jessica DeLaCruz** is the DSP III on 2-10 at 6760 Circle Drive. She is the glue that holds the home together. She does everything she can to keep the home running smoothly. She is an outstanding asset to the home.

Shout out to **Buddy Lindsey!** He is always willing to help different departments when needed, with no complaints. Whether it be Plumbing, Machine Shop, or helping the Welders, Buddy always radiates positivity and is wearing a smile.

WOW! We asked for help and SO many came ~~runnin'~~ walkin! Thank YOU so very much to **each and every one of you** who came out to help assist people through Christmas Lane Thursday evening. YOU helped brighten the night for so many individuals. Also, THANK YOU to the always amazing Recreation crew that help make events possible, organized, and special. Thank you ALL for shining bright for the people we serve!

David Daniel	George Irwin	Alexis Escobar
Amy Gleaton	Brenda Howell	Melissa Castillo
Nancy Rash	Lacy Hanson	Keri Osborne
Pam Wilson	Lacy Breitbarth	Joan Blisard
Brenda Thomas	Melody Theiss	Connie Zeledon
Doug King	Penny Newton	Kenny Dry
Jeff Branch	Maria Schmidt	Annmarie Crosdale
Steven Roberts	Chris Turner	David Smyth
Ashley Hill	Sarah Cleary	Britney Quinones
Amanda Espinoza	Sarah Connell	Kristen Ellison
Virginia Davina		



Congratulations to our December 2021 Tier I Leadership Development Class!

Angelo Balint	Vanessa Cardona	Justin Comparini
Michala Cox	Jennifer Evans	Josefa Garza
Sarah Gibson	Terry Green	Joe Guajardo
JT Gulick	Penny Newton	Amanda Strickland
Marissa Williams	Randall Wilson	

Instructors: Barbara Marrow, Collin Dawsey & Andrew Ruvalcaba

Let's **Shout Out** and recognize others! Text 325.370.4525 with your message