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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 20th, 2021

COVID19 Testing

Week of 12.20.2021

Unless we see dramatic changes in the COVID19 situation, we will be test **one day** for each round going forward. This means that **all staff** will test the same day.

The number of times we test per week is dictated by the COVID19 positivity rate in Taylor County as reported by CMS.

Round 1

Tuesday, December 21st
0530-1130 & 1300-1500

Round 2

Thursday, December 23rd
0530-1130 & 1300-1500



SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

HIGHLIGHTS FOR PERSONAL USE

Even when social media websites are accessed after work hours, employees who engage in non-business communications using social media websites and services on personal devices **MUST**:

- ◊ **NOT** appear in any way to represent any HHS agency when acting in a personal capacity.
- ◊ **NOT** attribute personal communications to any HHS agency;
- ◊ **NOT** create the appearance that their personal communications have been endorsed or initiated by any HHS agency.
- ◊ **NOT** use their business email to register for a personal social media website.
- ◊ **KEEP** all HHS information and all information obtained as an HHS employee confidential, except as otherwise required by law.

****Note: When wearing agency or local SSLC emblem-branded clothing or your agency badge, be aware of taking photos that may be shared with people outside of the agency or uploaded to personal social media accounts.****

DID YOU KNOW:

Employees are prohibited from accessing their personal social media accounts and websites on state equipment. Employees' personal social media accounts and websites should remain personal in nature and should not be used for work-related purposes.

FIND OUT MORE:

HHS Human Resource Policy, Chapter 1.D.14 Social Media

- Personal use of social media
- Work-related use of social media



AbSSLC COVID19 Status

As of Friday, 12.17.2021

Number of Individuals Positive	0
Number of Individuals currently in Isolation	0
Number of Staff Positive	8

Missing AskAdmin Text Messages?

Occasionally we hear that someone stops receiving the AskAdmin messages after having signed up long ago and receiving them for months.

This likely has something to with the alignment of the moon, stars & facility at any given time and your carrier bounced the message and reported you were unable to receive them.

The easiest thing to do is just sign-up again (text **AskAdmin** to **325.255.4442**) and the messages should start.

Winter Wonderland

At the AbSSLC Gym

Monday, December 20th 12pm-10pm
Tuesday, December 21st 12pm-10pm
Wednesday, December 22nd 8am-5pm

Come and see the beautiful displays and take some photos!
Come to work early so you can come in and look around

Thank you to the **always amazing Recreation Crew** who work so hard to put this together for the people we serve. They have Christmas Parties, in the gym, for individuals but wanted **YOU** to have the opportunity to come visit also

Payday for January 1st will be January 3rd, due to the 1st falling on Saturday

Shout Outs!

Shout out to **Jessica Flores**, the 6-2 lead at 6510 Peach. She goes above and beyond for her people (residents & staff). She is open-minded, honest, and understanding. She is reliable, fair, and hardworking which makes her a good strong leader. She is a blessing to have as a lead and I am thankful for her and all she does.

Shout out to **Bethany Fulgham** (Behavior Services). She has taken over as the Program Development Specialist at 6500 and is doing an amazing job. She recently received high praise for her preparation and positive attitude in team meetings, as well as her willingness to follow-up on needed assessments. She is a wonderful addition to the Behavior Services department, and she is a great team player!

I truly need to put a shout out to the **6-2 Staff, Home Supervisor, Nursing & Activity Staff!** Let me tell you ... **6480 Mimosa** has been a blessing to me for sure. But at this time, when it's hard to find the will power to come to work double after double and little sleep, the staff here has motivated each other to work for our residents and to respect each other by coming to work and being positive. The activity staff here have been the best help as well as our supervisor and nursing department! I truly see the love we have for each other and the residents. I can't thank everyone here enough for making the best out of a trying time for our campus. We will continue doing the best of our abilities and make a difference for our home at 6480 Mimosa.

Thank you to everyone who gave to the "Turkey Fund"! YOU gave over 2,000.00 to bless AbSSLC employees this Christmas!

Thank you to those who came by the Community Relations/Volunteer Services Open House! We love being able to have you in our home away from home and spreading some Christmas Cheer! Thank You to **Cindy** (for her love to party plan and making everything perfect for this event) and **Melody** for being great hostesses. Merry Christmas!

Thank you to the army it takes to pull off Christmas Lane to prepare and repair each and every night for the drive thru! **Maintenance, Security, and Bill G.** Thank YOU for making Christmas Lane a success and continued 32-year Christmas Tradition!

Thank You to **Vocational Services, Recreation, LCTH/Smiles**, for letting our visitor, Dave Thomas (Senior Writer from Austin), look around your department. He was appreciative and impressed by all he saw and those he talked with. I'm sorry we didn't get around to everyone! Y'all are doing great things for AbSSLC! Keep up the great work! ~ Shae Butts

Thank you to the **Volunteer Services Council (VSC)** for allowing us to spread Christmas Cheer to the people who live (and work) at AbSSLC this season and all year long!



With the help of the Abilene Fire Department, Santa came by AbSSLC on Friday, December 10th to work on his list and check it twice.

Unfortunately, many of the Qs, BCBA's & Social Workers were found to have been bad and removed from the 2021 Christmas list. He was able to add 3 nurses back on, however.

Shout Out!

Have you seen someone do the above & beyond or just want to recognize great work?

It's easy to do a Shout Out!

- "Reply" to any of the update texts you receive through the AskAdmin Text Group
- Email Jeff Goza with their name and your comments
- Text their name and your comments to 325.370.4525

Let's Shout Out and recognize others!