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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

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Week of November 23rd, 2020

Mandatory COVID19 Testing

Monday, November 23rd & Tuesday, November 24th

5:00am-11:30am & 1:00pm-2:30pm Monday

6:00am-11:30am & 1:00pm-3:00pm Tuesday

You must come in for testing, even if it's your day off

👉 Make sure you are signed up for the AskAdmin texts in case something changes! 👉

Text AskAdmin to 474747 to join



We are seeing more and more deer around campus – and all over campus. Please be watching for them as they cross our roads!

Deer are also very common on both Lakeside & South 21st – you should be very watchful on these roads as well – especially when it's dark.

Calling in Sick

- If you are calling in for any kind of illness, you **MUST** call the Nursing Hotline **FIRST**. If you or anyone in your household is tested for COVID-19 you must call the Nursing Hotline immediately. You can reach this line by dialing **INFO (x4636)** from any campus phone or by calling **692-4053 x4636** from off-campus.
- **You must also contact Risk Management after you call the Nursing Hotline.**

Reminders ...

- You should never give anything (money, food or other items) to those who live here. Many times, someone may ask you for spare change or something they see you with but this can be very detrimental to them or their program that is being implemented. If you have concerns with a person asking for things you should contact the supervisor or QIDP at the home where that person lives.
- Leaving your car unlocked can have ugly consequences for both you and those who live here. You should always ensure that all of your doors (and trunk) are locked and never leave anything of value out where it's visible to someone passing by. We have Individuals that live here that will look in your car and open the door to take things if it's unlocked.
- The holidays can be an especially stressful time for many (both Individuals & staff) – even without the addition of COVID19. Keep an eye out for this and report any concerns!

if you
SEE | SAY
something | something™



Here. There. Everywhere.

Shout Outs!

A very special Shout Out to **Marty Tolar** (Housekeeping)! She is very dedicated to what she does – every time that the isolation homes have opened she has been here with us. She has been a Shining Star in the COVID battles and hope she knows how much she is appreciated!

Shout out to our **evening and night security officers** for being such awesome team players. Your willingness to wear many different hats and to do whatever is asked of you makes it safer and easier for others to do their jobs. Many thanks from the switchboard operators.

Shout Out!

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

It's easy to do ...

- “Reply” to any of the update texts you receive through the AskAdmin Text Group
- Email Jeff Goza with their name and your comments.
- Text your Shout Out directly to 325.370.4525

Let's **Shout Out** and recognize others!

Volunteer Shout Out!



Suzanne McGuire began her volunteer services for Abilene State Supported Living Center just a year and a half ago. She began by working in Glenda's Second Edition, our on-campus thrift store. Suzanne arrived each Monday with a zest to sort through donations, price the items and then create attractive sales displays throughout the store. Working just 1 day a week, in less than a year she amassed almost 200 hours. She extended her volunteer service to helping with our Christmas events. COVID-19 has prevented her from serving through Glenda's Second Edition but she has simply redirected her creativity and her love for the people served by AbSSLC.

She delivered to our Community Relations Staff – Nine hand-pieced lap quilts of amazing hues, designs and textures. These lap blankets will be delivered to nine lucky ladies at one of our medically-fragile homes at AbSSLC. In addition, Suzanne made Christmas stockings, pillow covers and placemats. We estimate the value of her donation at approximately \$700 and the time commitment of about 300 hours, probably more! We were stunned and amazed at her creativity AND generosity!