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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 April 15th, 2024

Annual TB Screening Clinic

Monday, April 15th & Tuesday, April 16th

The clinic will be held in **B646 (Nursing)** from
0600-1100 & 1300-1500 each day



Entry to Campus

As we continue to increase the safety of the campus for those that live & work here, we will soon be requiring **name badges** for entry to campus.

We will also be issuing new designated driver cards this week – please see Tara in the Administration Building to get yours.

UBER/Lyft/Taxi & Food Deliveries

Remember that commercial drivers (bringing you to/from work or delivering food) are not allowed to enter campus. They must drop you (or your food) at the gate and then immediately exit.

If you are using a Rideshare service, you will have to walk from the main entrance to your work site. If having food delivered, you will have to get it at the main entrance when it arrives.

We want to hear from you!

Click the [link](#) or scan the code to let us know your questions or tell us your ideas and thoughts to make AbSSLC an even better place to live & work!



Start the Day with a Positive Thought!

Text **AbSSLCPositives** to **77295** to receive a positive thought each weekday at 7am. It's a great way to start your day!

Bed Bug Class

Please select a course from the menu below:

Required Refresher Training

Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation

Adverse Drug Reaction (ADR)

Bed Bug Training for SSLCs

CARE Forms

Civil Rights Training

Clinical Root Cause Analysis due 7/2022

The "Bed Bug Training for SSLCs" class will start counting against our overall compliance on May 1st.

There are two Bed Bug classes on iLearn. Please make sure you are doing the right one!

Upcoming Campus Projects

As we finish up the fence (and work to complete the cottage) projects, we can look forward to two more coming our way:

HVAC Replacement – Numerous HVAC units will be replaced in the next 3-4 months.

Generator Replacement – we will also be replacing the generators (and adding more) around campus. The new generators will power the whole building – and HVAC! – when the power goes out.

Shout Outs!

A Shout Out to the New Unit 1 Staff - **Vivica Moreno, Harley Foreman, Keshia Sifuentes, Paige Lowry, Theresa Harden, Sheila Overfield, Joel Bayubasire, Mwajuma Katembo & Brendia McGee**. Thank you for joining our team and being a great addition. We have heard great things about you all and how you have jumped right in. Many have been moved homes for business necessity and did not complain.

I wanna give a shout out to all the guys on the **6-2 shift at 6710 Circle Drive**. I have been without a car for the last week and a half and they all pitched in to help get me back and forth to work. Really made me feel like I have a work family. THANK YOU GUYS!

Special shout out and thank you to **EVERYONE** who came to view and listen to 😊 the Total Eclipse with us! Thank you to the **VSC** for providing snacks, drinks, and viewing glasses. THANK YOU, **Recreation** for popping corn for us. And of course ... thank you to **Cindy** and **PJ** for always being brighter than the sun and helping to make it a fun & great time for everyone!

Very super-duper special THANK YOU and SHOUT OUT to **Ashley** and the amazing **Recreation Crew** as well as **Ashley Alonzo** and her Assistant, **James Mora**, for an absolutely gorgeous afternoon at the Spring Formal! Thank you to the fantastic **Transportation Crew** for getting everyone to the gym and home safely. Thank you to all the home staff, **Vocational Services** crew, and **Activity Center** crew for helping everyone look soooooo fancy and helping them dance the afternoon away and have a wonderful time. Thank you **Social Workers** for being our photographers. And thank you to **everyone in between** that made it a special afternoon! It was so great to be back in formal mode after 5 long years of being away! Thank you to the AHHHHMMMMMAAAHHHHZZZIIINNGGG **DJ Joey** for the entertainment!! Special thank you to **Wylie Bloomin Bulldogs** for the 235 beautiful boutonnières and corsages they made! And a Shout Out to **HAB** for serving soft-drinks – this is always very popular! THANK YOU!

Shout Out and Recognize for their Work!

Text it to **325.370.4525** or use the Feedback Site @ <https://www.absslc.org/feedback/>

The following was received from the mother of a long-time member of the AbSSLC family:

Here is a big SHOUT-OUT to the whole **AbSSLC staff**, from the administration and all the other departments that make AbSSLC function so seamlessly. They say it takes a village to raise a child. Well, AbSSLC has done just that.

My daughter has been a resident of AbSSLC since 1970. She was not supposed to live to see 7 and she will turn 53 this June. I am attributing her longevity to the level of care she has received under many dedicated and loving hands. She has resided in many areas of the living center, and I have never been disappointed as they have always been clean and inviting.

Even though I live far away, the staff has always gone the extra mile to communicate how she is doing. A special **SHOUT-OUT** to **Kristie Gragg, LBSW, Amanda English, APRN, Kayce Buck**, Supervisor for 6510 Peach Street and the **many others** who were involved providing care for my daughter during this past difficult health year.

If ABSSLC ever needs a testimony about the care provided, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,
Mom

We made the Friday Photos!

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The Social Services Department recently celebrated Social Work Month with an outing at the local Board & Brush. Pictured from left are Lisa Cox, Kristen Cosper, Kristie Gragg, Karina Tyler and Ashley Hill.