

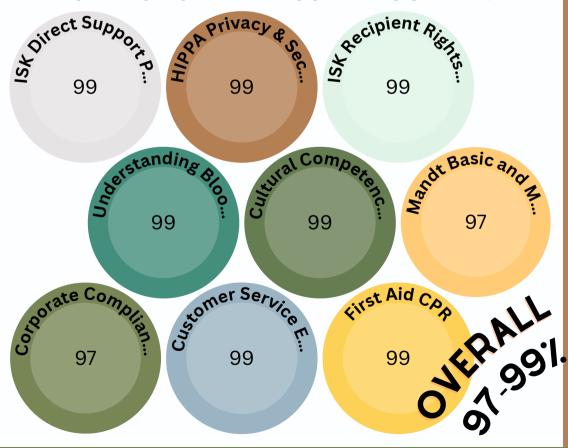
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Official Newsletter of Community Living Options



Training Completion Success!

THANK YOU TO ALL THE STAFF THAT COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING IN APRIL, MAY, AND JUNE! THE NUMBERS DON'T LIE--YOU ALL ROCKED IT!



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Camp Amigo- an Annual Tradition







Rain didn't stop the fun at Camp
Amigo!
Smores, Drumming, Boat Rides,
Tie-dyeing, Card Games, Food, Fun
and Friendship!
Thank you to the Kalamazoo
Community Foundation for making
this special event happen!



Staff Feature



"Consistency and stability is important; knowing they [the residents] can rely on me, and I will help them."
-Renita

Direct Support Professional Old Log Trail

About Renita

- Hobbies: go to concerts, Jazz buff go to parties, support my friends, hard worker in my sorority
- What brings her Joy: long-term relationships, still friends w/ people from elementary, middle school, and high school
- **Strengths:** stability, reliability, fun, do what I'm supposed to do
- What she hopes to Accomplish at CLO: continue to live my life on purpose and serve people and have a good time

About Brianna:

- Hobbies: loves to clean, doing lashes, coloring, watch movies
- What brings her Joy: doing makeup, love hanging out w/ my nieces, love to go out
- Strengths: being patient and reasonable, multi-tasking
- What she hopes to Accomplish at CLO: not done learning, want to get more experience and work in the other CLO homes, very goal oriented



Staff Highlights

August Birthdays

MOUKAILA BOURAIMA 2ND
LEVANNA PERRY 5TH
AIJOBA DAKARE 6TH
REBEKHA KIRK 11TH
ANGELEY TAKYI 13TH
CECELIA REYNOLDS 13TH
DAVID VERGON 13TH
JAMES GAINEY III 14TH
TITUS MCKENZIE 17TH
ERIN TORPEY 20TH
ABBY FINN 22ND
CAMERON DAWSON 23RD
KIMBERLY AMOS 28TH

Welcome Vew Hires

TITUS MCKENZIE
ALIYAH COX
SHARYHA WEBSTER
CORIONA WHITE
TAYLOR SCHMIDT

Anniversaries

2 YEARS
EUNICE ALEXANDERCHAM
BETHANY GAINEY
JAMES GAINEY III
QUAYONA VAUGHGARDENER

5 YEARS LAZARIA LANDEN

8 YEARS
PATIENCE
SHAKWANDA
MATTHEW SHINAVIER

11 YEARS GWEN PERRY

14 YEARS LISA JASENSKY

16 YEARS BRADLEY COSGROVE

Updates and Announcements

from

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CARF Survey Dates are October 25th, 26th, and 27th!

CARF is the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities and provides a process that reviews standards and accredits an organization that they conform to these higher quality measures.

A CARF survey team will do on-site visits to each home and program. Additionally, the team will interview staff, persons served, their families, and board members. The surveyors review documents, make observations on organizational practices, answers questions, and makes suggestions for improvements.

Talk to your supervisor on how you can help prepare for this

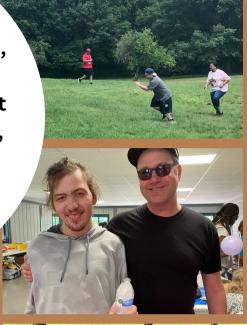
accreditation.

Reminder from

All staff have been registered for "Trauma Informed Supports" on Relias. This is an annual training. If you have not yet completed it, please log in and complete! Contact Celeah if you need help to log in!

CLO Agency Picnic

Residents, participants, family members, friends, staff, and board members got together at Schrier Park for burgers, hot dogs, the sides, and games and more! A beautiful and fun day!















Alcott Adult Learning Center in the Community





Congrats to Alcott on having their art selected for the Michigan
Developmental Disabilities Council's "Breaking Barriers Art Exhibition" in Lansing and getting to tour the Capital!

Alcott Center participants and staff were able to visit and tour one of the Portage Fire Stations!





COVID-19 Reminders

COVID-19 Vaccine Recommendation for Everyone Aged 6 Years and Older

- Get 1 updated COVID-19 vaccine
- Everyone 6 years and older should get 1 updated Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, regardless of whether they've received any original COVID-19 vaccines.
- Some people may get additional doses of COVID-19 vaccines:
- People aged 65 years and older may get 1 additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine 4 or more months after the 1st updated COVID-19 vaccine.
- People who are moderately or severely immunocompromised may get 1 additional dose of updated COVID-19 vaccine 2 or more months after the last updated COVID-19 vaccine. Talk to your healthcare provider about additional updated doses.
- Children aged 6 months-5 years may need multiple doses of COVID-19 vaccine to be up to date, including at least 1 dose of updated Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, depending on the number of doses they've previously received and their age.

Regardless of vaccination status, you should isolate from others when you have COVID-19.

You should also isolate if you are sick and suspect that you have COVID-19 but do not yet have test results. If your results are positive, follow the full isolation recommendations below. If your results are negative, you can end your isolation.

IF YOU TEST Negative ou can end vo

IF YOU TEST Positive

You can end your isolation

Follow the full isolation recommendations below

• When you have COVID-19, isolation is counted in days, as follows:

<u>If you had no symptoms</u>

- Day 0 is the day you were tested (not the day you received your positive test result)
- Day 1 is the first full day following the day you were tested
- If you develop symptoms within 10 days of when you were tested, the clock restarts at day 0 on the day of symptom onset

<u>If you had symptoms</u>

- Day 0 of isolation is the day of symptom onset, regardless of when you tested positive
- Day 1 is the first full day after the day your symptoms started

Isolation

- If you test positive for COVID-19, stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home.
- You are likely most infectious during these first 5 days.
- Wear a high-quality mask if you must be around others at home and in public.
- Do not go places where you are unable to wear a mask. For travel guidance, see CDC's Travel webpage.
- Do not travel.
- Stay home and separate from others as much as possible.
- Use a separate bathroom, if possible.
- Take steps to improve ventilation at home, if possible.
- Don't share personal household items, like cups, towels, and utensils.
- Monitor your symptoms. If you have an emergency warning sign (like trouble breathing), seek emergency medical care immediately.

COVID-19 Reminders Cont.

Ending Isolation

• End isolation based on how serious your COVID-19 symptoms were. Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation.

<u>If you had no symptoms</u>

• You may end isolation after day 5.

If you had symptoms and:

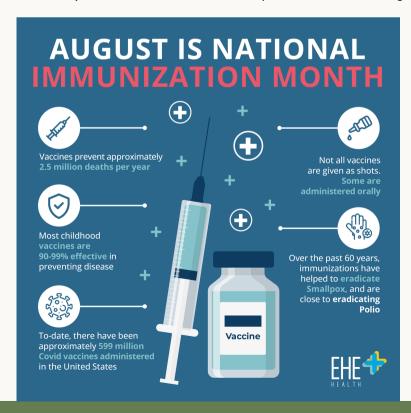
- Your symptoms are improving
- You may end isolation after day 5 if:
- You are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication).

If your symptoms are not improving

- Continue to isolate until:
- You are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication).
- Your symptoms are improving.

If you had moderate or sever illness symptoms and had:

- Moderate illness (you experienced shortness of breath or had difficulty breathing)
 - You need to isolate through day 10.
- Severe illness (you were hospitalized) or have a weakened immune system
 - You need to isolate through day 10.
- Consult your doctor before ending isolation.
- Ending isolation without a viral test may not be an option for you.
- If you are unsure if your symptoms are moderate or severe or if you have a weakened immune system, talk to a healthcare provider for further guidance.





To find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you: Search vaccines.gov, text your ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233.

Career Opportunities and Announcements







EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES CAN BE FOUND HERE:

WWW.COMMUNITYLIVINGOPTIONS.ORG/ CAREERS/

OR CURRENT EMPLOYEES
LOG INTO UKG AND GO TO--->MY INFO-->MY CAREER
--->CURRENT JOBS

ABBY'S QUALITY CORNER

SOME HELPFUL REMINDERS: 1. IF YOU SUSPECT MEDICAID FRAUD OR ABUSE WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION. YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE CORPORATE

COMPLIANCE OFFICER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. MAKE SURE TO ALWAYS KEEP ALL COMPANY KEYS ON YOUR PERSON WHILE YOU ARE WORKING. THIS HELPS KEEP OUR CONSUMERS SAFE.





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OUR MISSION

WE ASSIST INDIVIDUALS IN ACHIEVING THEIR LIFE GOALS BY BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH QUALITY SERVICES IN SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENTS.

> OUR VISION OUR VISION IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY AND SCOPE OF OUR SERVICES THROUGH INTEGRATED AND COORDINATED CARE.

NEXT BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2023



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