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Dear Families and Friends of Grace Center,

March 10, 2020

Due to recent confirmed case of coronavirus in Oregon, and flu season, Grace Center is taking additional precautions to prevent the transmission of these illnesses and protect the health of our participants. If you are not feeling well – and in particular, if you have a fever, a cough or are experiencing difficulty breathing or shortness of breath – or if you recently traveled to an area experiencing a coronavirus outbreak, we kindly ask that you not visit/attend until you are certain that you are not contagious.

Grace Center continues to monitor the CDC website for information and resources. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has provided additional guidance, to help improve our infection control and prevention practices in the prevention of transmission of COVID-19. Grace Center ensures that their personnel are correctly trained and capable of implementing infection control procedures.

- Grace Center has increased the availability and accessibility of alcohol-based hand sanitizer, tissues, no touch receptacles for disposal, and facemasks at the facilities entrance and throughout the center.
- Increased signage for vigilant infection prevention, such as hand hygiene and cough etiquette is in place.
- The center is properly cleaned and disinfected daily with high traffic areas sanitized several times throughout the day.
- Direct contact amongst participants is discouraged and no sharing of items is allowed.
- Anyone showing signs of illness while at the center will be isolated until arrangements can be made for the individual to be picked up from the center.

Right now, the risk of getting the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is very low in the U.S. Steps you can take to prevent the spread of flu and the common cold can also help prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

1. Wash your hands often with soap and water.
2. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
3. Avoid contact with sick people and stay home if you're sick.
4. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when coughing or sneezing.

It is very important that we do all we can to ensure that vulnerable populations, including older adults and people with disabilities, are not exposed to the virus.

For more information visit: healthoregon.org/coronavirus

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rene Knight".

Rene Knight, Director of Operations

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