



July 1, 2020

Dear Staff:

We hope that all team members continue to remain safe and well!

On July 1, 2020 Governor Gavin Newsom ordered several business sectors such as restaurants, wineries and tasting rooms, movie theaters, family entertainment centers, zoos, museums, and card rooms to move their services outside. If these businesses cannot move services outside, they must close temporary for a minimum of three weeks. Local officials such as Director of Public Health and/or the County Board of Supervisors may impose additional measures in the efforts to prevent further spread of the coronavirus. The Governor's order applies to the 18 counties, such as Riverside County, that have been under the 'state watch' for the past three days due to rising cases of confirmed COVID-19 virus. Our child-care programming cannot be provided outdoors, thus our Centers will remain closed.

Our utmost priority continues to be the health, safety and welfare of our children, families, Staff and the community we serve. Renu Hope Foundation has decided to continue to remain closed for center-based services through July 31, 2020.

Our agency has begun to develop a "Re-Opening plan" in accordance to the State Superintendent of Instruction's publication "Stronger Together", the collaborative guidelines "Guidance on Opening Child Care Centers" from California Public Health, California Department of Education, Early Learning and Care Division, integrating the regulations published in the Provider Information Notices from Community Care Licensing Division and ensuring programming meets the mandated requirements of social distancing and face coverings. We have completed the Orientation and Training of Phase I of our Re-Opening Plan by recalling staff from furlough who are projected to be needed in centers/classrooms that are projected to be re-opened to participate in online trainings of re-opening after Covid-19. On June 30, 2020 we concluded the initial phase of staff training/development for our first group of staff who returned from furlough. Our Management Team will work towards completing our Re-Opening Plan for submittal and approval from our CDE Consultant and assigned CCLD Analysts.

During this time of closure, we continue to support our families through weekly distance family engagement and individual learning plans supported by provisions of learning materials. We will continue to distribute weekly meals and essential supplies to our enrolled families.

Now, with the heightened need to exercise caution due to the continued rise of positive COVID cases in our county and the Governor's order of temporary closures of businesses that cannot operate strictly outdoors, Renu Hope is assessing the timelines to complete the next phase of staff development/training and the re-opening of our Centers.

When it is deemed safe for onsite return of our children, families, Staff and Community we will move into Phase II of our Re-Opening Plan whereby our Phase I Staff who are projected to be needed to staff the classrooms and centers we anticipate opening will be contacted to return to work for continuing training, orientation, preparation of center environments and practicing of new policies and procedures.

Additional updates will be provided to you on our website, as we continue to obtain more information and evaluate the current conditions of our communities. We will continue to work through this together. Individually we can and together we will. Please continue to stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

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