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NEWS



Grant Awards

- On June 4 New Horizons was awarded \$30,100.00 in funding from the State of Maryland Community Health Resources Commission Emergency Relief Act of 2021. The funds will be used to cover the costs associated with reopening, loss of revenue, ongoing enhanced sanitization, PPE, picnic tables for outdoor activities, and sneeze guards for all program areas.
- On June 17 New Horizons was awarded \$25,000 in funding from the Charles County Charitable Trust FY 2022 grant to be used for general operating expenses in Charles County.



Family Meeting

Ron Vaughn will hold the next virtual family/caregiver meeting on Saturday, July 10, 2021. Please be on the lookout for an email with the login information. The main topic of discussion will be the agency's COVID-19 vaccine mandate for all participants returning to programs in-person.



Prince George's County Vaccination Update

Residents can now walk into any of the Prince George's County Health Department clinics without an appointment. Information on clinic hours and locations, and a vaccine locator to find additional vaccine clinics not



operated by our County Health Department, can be found on the website at MyPGC.us/COVIDVaccine. If you prefer to schedule an appointment rather than walk up, you can do that [through the same website](https://MyPGC.us/COVIDVaccine).

Prince George's County Mask Mandate

Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks announced on May 26, 2021 that the County will align with the State of Maryland and CDC recommendations and lift the mask mandate for fully vaccinated individuals, due to a continued decline in key COVID-19 metrics and increasing vaccination rates. These new guidelines went into effect by Executive Order on Friday, May 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.



Beginning Friday, May 28 at 5:00 p.m., fully vaccinated individuals were permitted to resume normal activities without wearing a mask. In line with the State of Maryland and CDC guidance, masks will still be required on public transportation and in schools, childcare settings and health care settings. Unvaccinated individuals are strongly encouraged to continue wearing a mask until they are fully vaccinated and are encouraged to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

Staff Vaccinations



New Horizons is requiring that all staff show proof of their COVID-19 vaccinations by July 1, 2021 in order to be allowed to continue to work at the agency.

Americans with Disabilities Act (1990-2021)

New Horizons Supported Services, Inc. is proud to support the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) 31st Anniversary. On July 26th we will celebrate this important civil rights law with a barbecue for our participants and staff.



The ADA, a comprehensive civil rights law for people with disabilities, was passed on July 26, 1990. The law prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities, assuring them of equality of opportunity, full community participation, independent living, and economic self-sufficiency. Today, 1 in 4 Americans with disabilities are able to participate in their communities and

workplaces thanks to the ADA.

Contact your ADA Center in the ADA National Network at 1-800-949-4232.

Independence Day



New Horizons will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2021 in observance of Independence Day.

Have a safe and healthy holiday weekend.

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