Dear Friend of Children,

Over the past few months during the COVID-19 pandemic, Circle of Care has continued its mission of serving children and families across the state. Business has not been “as usual” but it certainly has been “all in”.

Most Circle of Care staff (other than essential campus and office personnel) have been working remotely in order to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. Our concern for our staff and clients’ health as well as that of our friends and neighbors has been a top priority.

We have grown from this experience individually and as an organization. It truly has made us more nimble, creative, and ever so committed to being the hands and feet of Christ, no matter the obstacles. Innovative online applications, social media and virtual fundraising events have allowed us to continue engaging our staff, board and supporters in the mission in spite of not being able to gather in person.

As of June 1, according to the state’s reopening guidelines, Circle of Care staff will return to their respective offices at Circle of Care campuses and buildings statewide. New protocol have been implemented to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 spread in these spaces:

1. More frequent cleaning and sanitizing of each location will occur.
2. Wash hands often, for the recommended 20 seconds.
3. If you are sick or have a fever of 100.4 or higher, please stay home.
4. If you have been exposed to COVID-19 in the past 14 days, please stay home.
5. Guests are requested to call the office to make appointment with a specific individual prior to arriving, if possible.
6. Guests and staff are asked to use the provided hand sanitizer upon arrival.
7. Guests and staff may, but are not required to, wear a face mask or cloth face covering.
8. Circle of Care staff will be available to meet with partners, supporters or others via video conferencing. But face-to-face meetings with external parties continue to be prohibited until further notice.

We know reopening and re-engaging in person is concerning for some, especially individuals with high risk factors for COVID-19. We also realize there could be additional changes as the situation evolves. We will update you as things change here.

In the meantime, we love and appreciate you all so much and keep you in our prayers always. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,
Keith Howard
President/CEO