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UPDATE

Dear Participants, Parents, & Care Providers,

Easterseals Employment Services/WorkFirst continues to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation and follow county and state health officials established protocols for our services to help stop the spread of the virus and keep everyone safe.

Because our services are critical, we are doing our best to find new ways to help people meet their employment goals. You will be contacted to determine your current need and availability. We are trying to create virtual service options so people can still participate in Discovery, stay connected, explore their community remotely, build lists of social capital, and develop employment plans. We understand that the pandemic, and the current restrictions on activities, are temporary and we want to make sure everyone is positioned for success once the mandates are lifted.

Job coaching supports will be provided remotely. If there is a critical need for face-to-face job coaching, we will evaluate each situation for the safety of the supported employee and our staff.

In the meantime, current information about the coronavirus is available on the <u>CDC</u> website and through your local county Health Department websites that can help you personally decrease your risk of contracting COVID-19.

Easterseals will continue to monitor the situation and <u>provide updates</u> on our external website as necessary. While our offices will remain closed through April 10, 2020, our Directors are available; please do not hesitate to call.

Contact information for your Director is:

Los Angeles County- Pam Arturi pamela.arturi@essc.org or (657) 220-7726

San Diego, Riverside, Orange and San Bernardino Counties – Maureen Carasiti <u>Maureen.carasiti@essc.org</u> (760)525-4249

Sincerely,

Easterseals/WorkFirst Team

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