

## MEMO:

Date: May 7, 2020

To: MVLE Individuals, Families, Guardians and Group Homes

From: April Pinch-Keeler, President & CEO

We hope everyone is safe and healthy as we enter May.

We continue to be in the midst of a truly challenging situation that is evolving every day. MVLE is closely monitoring the situation and following the guidance of local and state health departments, as well as regional city and county governments.

On Monday, March 23, Governor Northam issued Executive Order 53, which orders the closure of certain non-essential businesses and K-12 schools in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We know these restrictions have placed hardships on our community, but understand they are necessary as this pandemic continues.

Per the mandate from the Governor, MVLE's Group Supported Employment and Day Support programs will continue to be closed until at least May 22nd. This includes any individual that receives services at any of MVLE's Community Centers. Prior to that date, MVLE leadership will reassess the situation and determine when we will be able to re-open again.

You will receive a separate communication from program staff to understand how we can support our individuals during this time. Please visit our website, <a href="www.mvle.org">www.mvle.org</a>, for additional resources and information on COVID-19. We will be posting information on activities you can complete at home and ways to stay engaged.

Please know we are thinking of all of you and hope you are staying safe and healthy as best as we all can.

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