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EP!C Families, Guardians, and Advocates,

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I am thankful to report our third week with no new positive cases of COVID-19. We are continuing to stay at home with limited community outings and monitor the trend of new positive cases in the Peoria area as local businesses open up.

In the next three weeks, we will begin training staff and installing health and safety systems for the slow reopening of our day services. The first participants to reenter Day Services will be people that live in EP!C's residential programs. Doris Hayes and the program workgroup are developing videos of the redesigned areas of the building along with new systems to enter and access the building. Once completed, we will send out information and videos to program participants, families, and outside provider agencies before reopening EP!C's Educational Services.

It is hard to believe we are just short of the 3-month mark since the start of the COVID-19 quarantine. Thank you all for your patience through these last months. We all look forward to the day a vaccine is available and we can all breathe a sigh of relief together.

Remember at any time you have questions please feel free to call or email:

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To conclude my letter this week, I want to give a gentle reminder to join us this Thursday evening for EP!C's 9th annual Bon Appetit Fundraiser. It is a one-hour event and will be broadcast live from the elegant, Peoria Marriott Pere Marquette from 6:00–7:00 pm on June 11th. This is a first for EP!C, and only a few other non-for-profits in the area have tried to do a live event. It is free to tune in, so feel free to share the event information from our website or Facebook page with others at the link below. The night of the event, remember to click on the LIVE button. The event will include cooking demonstrations, stories of EP!C's mission in action, silent and premier auctions, a Bremer Jewelry raffle, and so much more! Please take the time to tune in.

Link to Bon App  tit Fundraiser: <https://epicci.org/bon-appetit/>

Take care,

Kim Cornwell, CEO