March 12, 2020

Dear HOPEhouse Community,

In an abundance of caution, HOPEhouse will be following all the protocols that have been established at Cotting School as of today.

All community activities have been suspended until further notice. This includes all work experiences, grocery/pharmacy shopping, community skills and fun night. We will have fun activities at HOPEhouse in lieu of going into the community, use technology to have our needs met such as grocery and pharmacy deliveries and use additional time to work on transition planning and activities of daily living.

The HOPEhouse building will be "deep cleaned" by a professional vendor once a week (on Saturdays) for the next four weeks. Our regularly scheduled daily cleaning continues to occur and our staff has implemented a daily disinfecting protocol as an additional layer of safety.

Yesterday we told HOPEhouse young adults that there will be a change in their schedule. Everyone will be supported as needed during this time of change.

As Krista has mentioned, as you visit HOPEhouse you've been warmly welcomed by our young adults and staff. To keep everyone as safe as possible during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, we too have temporarily adjusted our visiting policy at HOPEhouse. Effective immediately, unless you are a member of the Cotting School and HOPEhouse Communities (student, staff member, essential service providers) we ask that you communicate with us by email or telephone instead of visiting. If dropping a young adult off or pick up, please ring the buzzer and staff and your young adult will greet you at the front door.

As we know this is a difficult time, it is our hope that all of these precautions will help to keep our community safe and healthy. We greatly appreciate your understanding and cooperation. As always, please let us know if you have any questions.
Thank you in advance,
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