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Families and guardians of Park Lawn day program participants,

Yesterday, Park Lawn received notice from the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) that all day programs throughout the state will not be allowed to reopen through August 31st. During this period of closure, IDHS intends on “reinventing” services in response to both the pandemic as well as their desire to “best meet the ever-changing needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities”.

For Park Lawn, this means that all face to face day programs will remain closed through at least August 31st, and further direction from IDHS is needed to determine the extent of program changes prior to reopening. As details become clear, we will provide you updates as they pertain to the workshop, ADT, Choice, and supported (community) employment.

I’m certain that this extended closure is a hardship on many of you and your loved one who has been accustomed to their programs, activities, and friends at Park Lawn. We will do everything possible to ensure we are able to continue providing remote programming until such time that we can return to offering day services within the guidelines that have yet to be outlined by DHS.

Wishing you continued good health,

Steve Manning
Executive Director