Consumer Christmas Parties

The holiday season is here! RCIL will have their annual consumer Christmas parties during the month of December. Below is a listing of the dates and locations of the parties. Pick the event you would like to attend and RSVP to the RCIL office hosting that event at least one week prior. Please be sure to request special accommodations when you RSVP if necessary.

The Christmas parties are being held in conjunction with the December RCIL Friends meetings. There will be fun activities and prizes. Food is provided at all Christmas parties. If you have questions or would like more information, feel free to contact your local RCIL office.

RCIL staff would like to wish you a Happy Holiday Season and safe travels.

Christmas Parties Schedule

Eureka - Dec. 13 at the Magic Circle Apartments in the South Community Room 301 Magic Circle Rd. from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Emporia - Dec. 19 at the Broadview Towers Apartments 110 W. 6th Ave. from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Online Friends - Dec. 20 by Zoom Video Conference on computer or by phone from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

El Dorado - Dec. 21 at the RCIL Office 615 1/2 N. Main St. from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Osage City - Dec. 28 at the Park Place Apartments 207 S. 6th St. from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Iola Office Holiday Open House

Stop by and visit us December 19th between 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm for a holiday open house! Meet the staff and learn more about RCIL services at this come and go event. Snacks and drinks will be provided as well as a drawing for door prizes! Call us with any questions or to request accommodations at 620-365-8144! We hope to see you there!

104 S. Washington St. in Iola

Join Us!
It's Tax Time - Update Your Mailing Address!

Tax season is almost upon us so please remind your Direct Support Workers and Personal Care Attendants to update any changes to their address if they have moved.

Employee W-2 forms will be mailed in January 2023 and RCIL often receives many undeliverable W-2 forms which keeps the worker from being able to file their taxes.

Please have your workers contact RCIL at 1-800-580-7245 to ensure we have their correct address. Address changes for Direct Support Workers and Personal Care Attendants must be submitted to RCIL in writing, either by mail, email or fax.

Workers can submit their address change (please include the old address) in the following ways:
- Mail: RCIL P.O. Box 257 Osage City, KS 66523
- Email: payrollhelpdesk@rcilinc.org
- Fax: 785-528-2938 or 785-528-3665

Marcella Reynolds, Information Specialist, started at RCIL on September 6, 2022 in the Osage City office. Her focus will be providing Information and Assistance services for individuals who receive Home and Community Based Services (HCBS). Information and Assistance services include teaching individuals who self-direct their personal care on how to recruit, hire, and manage their Direct Support Workers.

Meet Our Staff!

Veta Moffitt (picture to right), Receptionist, started at RCIL on March 7, 2022 in the Iola office. She will be providing a variety of office functions and directing incoming calls to appropriate RCIL staff. She will also be assisting RCIL staff in the office with a variety of projects.
Achieving More Help In My Home

JoAnne had previously applied for KanCare a few years back and was denied because she was told she would have a large spend down. She was receiving 3-4 hours per week of housekeeping services through the Senior Care Act (SCA) program. JoAnne felt that she needed more assistance with the house. She contacted RCIL about getting help with applying for KanCare so that she could get in home services. She started receiving Core services with a Peer Specialist, Regina. She identified her goal that said, “I want to see if I qualify for KanCare and then see about getting Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) by 5/24/2023.”

Regina assisted JoAnne in completing and submitting a KanCare application with the supporting documents. Joanne was approved for KanCare and she received her insurance cards in the mail. She told Regina, “I was excited to find out that I was approved for KanCare without a high spend down because of the new protected income limits.” She also said, “I had an interview with the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). I was told that I would now get the services under the KanCare waiver for the frail and elderly rather than the SCA that I had been receiving.” Joanne was happy that she had achieved her goal. She chose RCIL to be her Financial Management Services (FMS) provider and she is in the process of hiring a direct support worker. JoAnne is now receiving 6-7 hours per week of help around the house. She told Regina, “The few extra hours should make quite a difference in keeping things done around the house.”

Greenwood County Resource Guide

Information and Referral (I&R) is a Core Service that RCIL offers to anyone with or without a disability. RCIL staff receive calls from consumers with questions about available community resources in their county. Below are a few resources available in Greenwood County.

Contact RCIL at 785-528-3105 if you have questions or need assistance to locate resources in your area.

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<td>CrossWinds Counseling and Wellness</td>
<td>Counseling services, Medication services, Therapy services</td>
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<td>Eureka Area Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry</td>
<td>Food Pantry in Eureka: 1st and 2nd Monday of each month from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm for residents in Greenwood County.</td>
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<td>Greenwood County General Public Transportation</td>
<td>Provides transportation for medical needs, shopping, etc. for residents who reside in Greenwood County.</td>
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<td>Greenwood County Health Department</td>
<td>Immunizations, Screenings, WIC, Emergency Preparedness</td>
<td>620-583-6632</td>
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<td>Harvest House</td>
<td>Food pantry in Severy: 2nd Tuesday of each month from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm for residents in Elk and Greenwood counties.</td>
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<td>Mid-Kansas Community Action Program</td>
<td>Rent and Utility assistance, Education, and Job Training Skills</td>
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2023 FRIENDS GROUP SCHEDULE

Friends are groups of individuals who have, or have experienced, a disability. We meet monthly to share and learn about disability related topics, to advocate for change in our communities, and to have fun!

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*Location: To Be Determine. Call RCIL El Dorado Office at 316-322-7853 for details.

*Location: Broadview Towers Apartments 110 W. 6th Ave., Emporia, KS 66801

*Location: Magic Circle Apartments 301 Magic Circle Rd., Eureka, KS 67045

*Location: Park Place Apartments 207 S. 6th St., Osage City, KS 66523

Iola, Paola and Fort Scott Friends group meetings are cancelled until further notice.

RCIL Offices are CLOSED on December 23-26, 2022 and January 2, 2023!

Due to COVID-19 ALL Friends group meetings are subject to change. PLEASE CALL AHEAD to check the status of your meeting.

For more information about RCIL Friends group or To request accommodations 2 weeks prior to a meeting

Contact RCIL at: 1-800-580-7245 or info@rcilinc.org

In cases of inclement weather, please call ahead!
Enter For Your Chance To WIN A FREE Prize!

To be entered into a drawing for a FREE prize, complete the quiz below and turn it in to RCIL by December 12, 2022 in the following ways:
- By mail: RCIL P.O. Box 257 Osage City, KS 66523
- OR e-mailing your answers to info@rcilinc.org

The winning ticket will be drawn on December 14, 2022 and the prize will be mailed to the winner.

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Fill in the Blanks

1. RCIL is hosting _______________ Consumer Christmas parties.

2. RCIL Iola Office Open House is on December ______ from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.

3. The deadline to submit all nominations for RCIL’s DSW of the Year Award is ____________________________________.

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________

Phone Number: ______________________________________

Nominate a Direct Support Worker For RCIL’s DSW of the Year Award

The services Direct Support Workers (DSWs) provide are crucial to the health and independence of Kansans with disabilities that receive Home and Community Based Services (HCBS). RCIL wants to provide an opportunity for HCBS consumers and their families to recognize DSWs for their outstanding service and dedication with a “DSW of the Year” Award. This is your opportunity to nominate a Direct Support Worker that you feel is deserving of this recognition. All nominations will be considered. The RCIL Board of Directors will select a Direct Support Worker for the award and then all other nominees will be entered in a drawing for a prize. The winner will be announced after January 23, 2023.

Deadline: All nominations must be submitted by December 31, 2022. Please submit the following information listed below by email at info@rcilinc.org OR by mail at RCIL P.O. Box 257 Osage City, KS 66523.

1. Your Name:
2. Name of Nominee (Direct Support Worker):
3. What my Direct Support Worker means to me:

Pictured: The 2021 DSW of the Year Award Edwina Ware (seated on the left) and her DSW Jola Casey (standing on the right).

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1-800-580-7245 Toll Free
1-877-929-7655 Payroll Help Desk

Fax
1-785-528-3665

Satellite Offices

El Dorado
615 1/2 N. Main St.
El Dorado, KS 67042
1-316-322-7853 Voice
1-800-960-7853 Toll Free
1-316-322-7888 Fax

Emporia
215 W. 6th Ave., Suite 201
Emporia, KS 66801
1-620-342-1648 Voice
1-888-261-4024 Toll Free
1-620-342-1821 Fax

Iola
104 S. Washington Ave.
Iola, KS 66749
1-620-365-8144 Voice
1-877-944-8144 Toll Free
1-620-365-7726 Fax

Topeka
1507 SW 21st St., Suite 203
Topeka, KS 66604
1-785-267-1717 Voice
1-877-719-1717 Toll Free
1-785-267-1711 Fax