



The CWTC Insider

A Message From Patti

Dear friends of CWTC,

This month has been a transition month for CWTC. We are very slowly, and very carefully, bringing some of our consumers back to work. We are excited to see them! It truly puts into perspective what it is all about - our purpose is to assist our consumers in improving their work and home lives. It is been a long few months, but we are so happy that even if it is just a few, we can welcome back our friends.

We have all had to adjust to the “new normal” and realize some things may never go back to the way they were. It’s hard right now to tell our consumers, no to hugs and handshakes. We can’t see their smiles through their masks, yet we know they are glad to see us. Some of their “normal” has changed – there will not be a CWTC bowling league this fall; our annual awards dinner is cancelled and will have to be re-invented. They come in and get their temps taken every day and eat lunch at a social distance from their friends. The good news is, there is still laughter – they make us laugh and they are joyful, we get to see them back at work and being productive and earning a paycheck, and we are providing them some much needed support.



So as I have said the past few months we must dig down deep – laugh every day, count our blessings, be someone’s support system, trust that we can learn something new from the challenges we are facing and believe we can still make a difference.

Thank you to the consumers for providing us inspiration on a daily basis. We are so glad to have at least a few of you back!!

My best,

Patti Gratton

CWTC Receives CARF Accreditation

CWTC is proud to announce that it has received a three- year accreditation from CARF International. CARF is an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services, enhancing the lives of persons served worldwide. This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. CWTC conformance to CARF International standards, demonstrated to a team of surveyors during a virtual visit in July, CWTC's commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality.



The programs accredited by CARF include:

Community Employment Services: Employment Supports, Community Employment Services: Job Development, Community Housing, Community Integration, and Organizational Employment Services. The surveyors noted many strengths at CWTC, including services that are meaningful and valued by consumers and other stakeholders.

Consumers Carrying On!



Re-opening has begun at CWTC for some consumers, while others have been staying active in our residential facilities, enjoying different activities and learning some new things along the way. We are looking forward to having them all back soon!

If you would like to show your support...

Help by lifting the spirits of our consumers & staff!

- Donate delivery/take-out from one of our local restaurants.
- Send them greeting cards to brighten their day.
- Provide new items for activities like books, art supplies, puzzles, etc.



To hear more ideas on how you can help, contact Patti Gratton at (309) 686-3300.

Keep Up With CWTC on Social Media!

You can stay in touch with CWTC every day on social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, You Tube and LinkedIn. Just click on the icons below and be sure to "Like" or "Follow Us" to stay in touch with everything we're doing here and in the community. Of course, our website continues to be a source for information on programs and services for our consumers, as well as opportunities for you to get involved. We appreciate YOUR support of adults with disabilities!



CWTC is always looking for dedicated and hard-working employees to fill a variety of opportunities in Residential Support, Employment Services, Contract Packaging and others. If you know someone looking for meaningful employment, we would love to talk with them about a rewarding job at CWTC. You can download an application, see available positions and read more about CWTC employment requirements [HERE!](#)

Thank you!

A big thank you to all staff that have gone above and beyond during this pandemic crisis. We truly appreciate all your hard work and dedication to our consumers and our mission.

Mission Statement

Our Central Illinois organization provides programs and services to adults with disabilities; enriching their quality of life, promoting social change, and optimizing their potential for independence.

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