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For The Employees of North Central Health Care



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WEEKLY CONNECTION WITH DR. ROBERT GOUTHRO



DBT at NCHC

NCHC has implemented the evidence-based practice of Dialectal Behavior Therapy (DBT) in our system. DBT is considered the gold standard treatment for borderline personality disorder, though is also applied to many other diagnoses related to problems regulating emotion. Its unique approach helps high risk individuals that need more intensive levels of care.

Neal Moglowsky is one of 8 certified DBT therapists in WI and has been instrumental in assisting NCHC develop our DBT program which accepted its first client in April of 2022. Currently, our DBT Consultation Team serves ACT team CCS and CSP consumers that had been prioritized based on

highest risk of suicide.

Participating consumers are assigned a DBT therapist and begin with 6 weeks of pre-treatment to establish understanding of the process and level of commitment needed. With a signed treatment agreement, consumers begin participating in DBT skills group, individual therapy, and 24/7 DBT phone coaching. Generally, consumer participation is expected for at least one year.

The consumers involved are making progress towards their life worth living goal and avoiding the stressful, frequent contacts with acute care services which were previously seen. Utilization expenses from these individuals have drastically decreased thus having a significantly positive impact on NCHC's

budget. Evidence is detailed in data collected from one participant reducing 38 inpatient days in the year prior to starting the program to 2 in the last 6 months. Another participant demonstrated a reduction from 27 adult crisis stabilization facility (ACSF) stays in the

DBT Team

Neal Moglowsky; DBT Certified Clini-

cian, Consultant

ACT Clinical Manager

Operations Manager

Karissa Nelson:

Rebecca Kopp; ACT

Jen Jacobson; Clinical Manager & Outpatient Therapist

ACT Case Manager

Tricia Klemp;

Cara Reed; Clinical Manager & **Outpatient Therapist** Sheryl Konig; Outpatient Therapist In Training

Outpatient Therapist

Sheryl Hemp;

Ciarra Kressel; Intern

year prior to 1 in the last 6 months. In total, hundreds of inpatient hospital and ACSF days have been prevented since the program began.

We are happy to share the early successes of this exciting new program, are thankful for the hard work of the NCHC DBT team, and most importantly are very glad to see the positive impact this program is making on consumers' lives.



Dr. Robert Gouthro Chief Medical Director

Occurrence Reporting Hotline 4488 or 715.848.4488

Only significant or sentinel events requiring immediate notification to this hotline

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Lee, Patient **Financial Services**

For helping with projects and always keeping a positive attitude while learning! :)

From: Gina Woodward



PHOTO OF THE WEEK



VIDEO CREW FILMS COMMERCIAL AT WAUSAU CAMPUS

Thank you to Chuck Kerstell, Cagney Martin, Sara Barnet, Spencer Scheidemann and our Wausau Campus Food Services Team for taking time out of their schedule to join us at the Wausau Campus to film a brand new recruitment commercial for NCHC. Many different departments and staff will be featured, so watch WSAW TV for commericals during December, January and February as well as online and social media.

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HARD HAT UPDATE December 6, 2022 - Demolition Begins at Marshall Street Suite A

On Tuesday, December 6, demolition is scheduled to begin in the interior areas of 2400 Marshall Street, Suite A (also known as the old Mount View Care Center, Floor 1). The construction crew will begin in the 1300 and 1400 Hallways on first floor. A barrier will be placed up and all demolition will take place behind the double doors entering that wing. We ask that all staff avoid this area of the building.

Loud noises and vibrations from construction can be disruptive to residents and patients. Please be sure to communicate to those we serve and our visitors, to ensure we are providing the best in Person-Centered Service.

Thank you for your attention and your commitment to Person-Centered Service.



SafetyZone SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE DOWN TIME December 7 • 8-11 pm

On Wednesday, December 7th from 8:00 PM until 11:00 PM CST, the Healthcare SafetyZone system will be unavailable due to server maintenance.

Please wait until after 11 pm to submit any occurrence reports.





Jingle Mingle

~ HOLIDAY DRESS UP AT NCHC ~

The Holidays are fast approaching. Get your wardrobe ready for **EIGHT days of Holiday Dress-Up** at NCHC. Join ALL of North Central Health Care for this Tri-County holiday dress up event and show us your holiday spirit!

WEDNESDAY 12/14

Deck the Halls Get decked out in your ugliest holiday sweater (or make one if you like!)

THURSDAY 12/15

Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer Holiday Glow-Up, wear something shiny and bright OR wear as much red as you can

FRIDAY 12/16

Baby it's Cold Outside Brrrr! Stay warm in your favorite flannel

MONDAY 12/19

Here Comes Santa Clause Bundle up in your comfiest PJ's

TUESDAY 12/20

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree Rock out your Christmas look

WEDNESDAY 12/21

Blue Christmas Wear various shades of blue

THURSDAY 12/22

Christmas in Dixie Christmas Cowboy Style (fringe, handkerchiefs, cowboy hats)

FRIDAY 12/23

Let it Snow Get ready for the snow by wearing your favorite holiday or winter hat and scarf







Got Junk Lights?



HOLDAY LIGHT RECYCLING to benefit Habitat for Humanity!



Bring in your old, junky, burnt out strings of lights. Habitat for Humanity of Wausau will recycle the materials and use the proceeds to benefit our local Habitat for Humanity efforts here in Central Wisconsin.

IT'S A HOLIDAY WIN FOR EVERYONE!





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Duclanot Charles, CNA at MVCC, and his wife welcomed a baby girl last week to the NCHC family.

Shasla Kiara Dec. 2, 2022, 6lbs, 7oz.

Do you have a birth announcement you want to share with our NCHC Family? Send your announcement and picture (if desired) to your manager for sharing in the News You Can Use. Monthly, we will include all the newest members of

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HOLIDAY BAKING BASKETS DELIVERED!





GIVING BACK For The Holidays

Last week, the North Central Health Care United Way of Marathon County Committee assembled 9 Holiday Baking Baskets for local families in need! Over the past few weeks, this committee hosted a Bake Sale Fundraiser AND a Baking Supply Drive, raising enough funds and ingredients to stock these kits to the brim! Complete with baking utensils, pans, decorations and enough supplies to bake multiple holiday treats, these kits are sure to set a few families up with a little extra holiday magic this year. Thank you to everyone who participated!





Below are donation suggestions for clients and residents of North Central Health Care. These items will directly benefit individuals and families receiving services. Donations will be delivered to Mount View Care Center, Adult Day Services, Group Homes, Community Treatment for Children and Adults, Behavioral Health Hospitals (Youth & Adult), Crisis Stabilization (Youth & Adult) and Outpatient clients in Wausau, Merrill and Antigo. *Items with an asterisk are most needed.

Personal Items

- Wallets and Coin Purses
- Sweat shirts all sizes: S 4XL
- WARM winter gloves and mittens*
- Winter caps and scarves
- Socks*
- Sweat pants* (S 4XL)
- Men's Undershirts, Underwear* S 4XL
- Women's Underwear* S 4XL
- Women's fashion scarves
- Watches with large numbers (slip-on type preferred)
- Costume jewelry*, necklaces especially with long chains
- Rubber soled slippers only all sizes
- Men's belts and suspenders
- Fleece blankets

Toiletries

- Body wash/ Bars of soap*
- Shampoo & conditioner*
- Hair accessories (brushes, barrettes, hair ties, rattail combs)
- New Make-up (lipstick, powder, blush, ChapStick, etc.)
- Men's shaving items*
- Hand Cream* small or medium bottles only
 Deodorant* (predominantly Men's)
- Nail Polish*, polish remover, cotton balls
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste*
- Cologne* for men and women or Aftershave
- Disposable Razors* for men and women
- Feminine Napkins/Tampons
- Polygrip
- Small bottles of dish soap or bleach
- Kitchen Sponges
- Laundry detergent, pellet packs and fabric softener sheets

Paper Products

- Bibles (Large print or soft sided)
- Stationary (small sets) and stamps for mailing
- New greeting cards
- Calendars

Unique Suggestions

- Sewing kits
- Anything Green Bay Packers, Badgers, Brewers, Bucks
- Cans of Soda (caffeine-free only) or juice
- Small packages of snacks, gum and candies (sugar-free or regular)
- Gift Certificates to McDonald's, Subway, Walmart, Kwik Trip, Target, etc.
- Kitchen dish towels
- Wash cloth sets
- Sunglasses
- Dish Towels
- Towel sets: 1 bath towel, 1 hand towel, 2 wash cloths
- Boxes of Chocolates (must be sealed)

Recreation/Craft

- Colored construction paper*
- New 100-300 pieces or less Puzzles or therapeutic puzzles with large pieces*
- Word Search* and Crossword Puzzle Books*
- Adult Coloring Books
- Colored pencils, markers, crayons
- New Board games
 - (Pictionary, Scrabble, Sorry, Yahtzee, Life)
- Trinkets (almost any small object) for Bingo prizes
- Inexpensive canvases (all sizes), art paint & brushes
- Glue or glue sticks*
- Tissue Paper
- Decks of Cards (new)
- Pony Beads

Thank You For Your Generous Support!

Interested in adopting a client or creating a Giving Tree at your organization or business for the holidays?

Please, contact the NCHC Volunteer Office at 715.848.4450 or volunteer@norcen.org





The annual Rose Parade is viewed by millions of people around the world and has become an iconic part of New Year's Day celebrations. This year, the Eight area high school programs will take part in this historic event and perform together as the Wisconsin Northwoods Marching Band. The nearly 400-member Northwoods band will be the second largest marching band to ever perform for the Rose Parade, second only to Allen High School Marching Band from Texas in 2016, which had 716 members. Students will march along the 5.5-mile parade route in front of nearly 1 million attendees from around the world.

North Central Health Care is showing our support by sharing opportunities for our community to donate to support the effort. Thank you for your support and best of luck to the students and families that will be traveleing to California this New Year!

Cindy Franklin, Laundry

Cindy worked at NCHC for 19 years and celebrated her last day before retirement on 11/25/22! Thank you for your hard work and commitment to NCHC. Congrats Cindy!

Congrats to the following employees on



RETIREMENT NEWS!





Sandy Lang, MVCC

Sandy worked at NCHC for 24 years at Mount View Care Center. She celebrated her last day before retirement on 12/2/22!

Thank you for your dedication to those we serve. Congrats Sandy!

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TUNE IN MONDAY, JANUARY 2 10AM CST CHECK LOCAL TV LISTINGS

The Wisconsin Northwoods Marching Band — the second largest marching band in Rose Parade history - will perform in the 134th 2023 ROSE PARADE.

Performing

"BEAUTIFUL WISCONSIN" a combination of "On Wisconsin" and "America the Beautiful" that celebrates our nation and Wisconsin.

Rose Bowl 2023

PERFORMANCE

VIEWED BY 1 MILLION+

JOIN US IN OUR EFFORT TO RAISE \$1 MILLION.

Everest Band Boosters is a 501(c)(3) non-profit ora est Band Director Joe Finnegan at: jfinne

400 STUDENT MUSICIANS





In an effort to increase staff coverage on our most needed shifts North Central Health Care is launching a **BRAND NEW** Weekend Warrior Program. Shifts are scheduled solely on weekends and holiday rotations and cannot exceed 30 hours per pay period on average, annually.

These positions are not eligible for shift differential pay, pick up pay, or benefits.





Know a friend looking to pick up a few extra hours as a CNA, LPN, or RN? Refer them for North Central Health Care's Weekend Warrior position and you could score a \$500 referral bonus after 90 days!

FOR ADDITIONAL INFO OR TO APPLY VISIT NORCEN.ORG/CAREERS



Looking to make extra cash for the holidays? Contact Connie Gliniecki or Sara Barnett for additional shift availabilities at Mount View and Pine Crest!

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New Position Posting

Title: Cooks & Culinary Artists

Status: Full Time Location: Wausau

Prepares and cooks food in compliance with State, Federal, and County safety and sanitation regulations. NCHC is looking for new or experienced cooks. NCHC does not mandate employees and have flexible scheduling options available. Starting pay is \$16.00 per hour and experience of 2 or more years is starting at \$18.00 per hour. 0.8 Full-Time (64 hours per pay period) Monday-Friday 11 am - 7:30 pm, works every other weekend and holiday.

https://bit.ly/3VWipxU

REFERA FRIEND FRIEND EARN 500 Si,00 Here's how it works...

Step 1: Have Your Recruit Tell Us About You

Complete the "Referred by" section in their employment application including your name. No other forms or email are necessary.

Step 2: Meet Required Criteria

You and your recruit must be in good standing throughout this period and have no written warnings for attendance or other performance.

Step 3: Get Paid!

When your recruit joins the NCHC Team, and you both have met the referral requirements \boldsymbol{YOU} will earn the following:

\$1,000 After 90 days (Employees 0.5 FTE status or above)

\$500 After 90 days (Employees below 0.5 FTE status)

Refer A Friend For Your Opportunity To Earn Referral Cash! We value your referrals and know that together we can strengthen our North Central Health Care team. That's why earning some extra cash for your employee referrals has never been simpler. So text that friend, and get the ball rolling. "Car additional during and the previous classes of the the Referral Bonue Relieve



Check out all the latest Job Opportunities





OPEN INTERVIEW EVENT HELD IN MERRILL AND WAUSAU

NCHC held two Hiring Events last week at Pine Crest and at the Wausau Campus to conduct Open Interviews and hire for all the open positions we currently have. Thank you to all those who referred colleagues, friends or family our way. And welcome to all those who joined out organization as a result of these hiring events.







Pine Crest Person centered. Outcome focused. Star of the Month

CONGRATULATIONS SHEILA GRAAP!

Sheila Graap, Housekeeping, is our December Pine Crest Star! Sheila is extremely thorough and takes no short cuts! She keeps the West wing exceptionally clean, and residents are very appreciative and complimentary of her. She has a wonderful rapport with residents, spends time visiting with them as she cleans, truly listens, and works around their schedules. She is flexible, has worked in many other areas of the building, and is happy to help others. We often receive compliments on our cleanliness and lack of odor, and that is thanks to people like Sheila who work so incredibly hard! Sheila goes above and beyond with not only her own job duties, but picking up as a Hospitality Aide and decorating as well. She recently volunteered to help out with the Thanksgiving meal and she hopped right in keeping things moving. She has gone out of her way to make crafts and decorations, go shopping,

and even lends us some of her own decorations. She has a true eye for aesthetics and West wing looks like it came out of a magazine! Sheila takes immense pride in her work, does an amazing job and we are so grateful for her! Thank you, Sheila!

December 2022 Organizational Learning Modules



Each month staff are assigned 30-60 minutes of organizational training that needs to be completed by the due date.

Log into the learning management system (LMS), *UKG Pro Learning*, to complete the following training modules:

 Annual Healthcare Compliance Refresher 2022 (30 minutes)

• Work on any outstanding assignments

North Central Health Care Person centered. Outcome focused.



How To:

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KEY COMMAND: WINDOWS + L

Function: To lock the computer.



- 1. Hold down Windows key located left of space bar on keyboard.
- 2. Tap L key once while holding windows key.
- 3. Computer lock screen displays.
- To login again, hold down ctrl + alt + delete at the same time, then enter NCHC credentials.

Why is this command relevant at NCHC?

It is vital to lock your computer when unattended. This protects access you are granted to complete your job role. It is your role as an NCHC employee to abide by HIPAA standards. If someone uses your computer when unattended, this not only could lead to a HIPAA violation, but you could be held responsible for their actions. Windows + L will allow only the person who locked the computer to unlock it again with their credentials. Source: https://ts.weill.comell.edu/node/1596

STAY TUNED FOR FUTURE TIPS!





Recently, the WI Department of Health Services (DHS) released a notification about the increase spread of respiratory diseases impacting healthcare facilities, especially those in long-term care. From data presented by DHS (shown at bottom of email), COVID isn't the only illness we need to be aware of, but other respiratory viruses like RSV, Influenza, and Influenza-Like Illnesses (ILI).

Talking about these viruses seems antiquated – given our focus on COVID for the better part of 3 years – but this year's data has shown a dramatic increase in cases from years prior. While Wisconsin hasn't seen as many Influenza cases as the southern half of the U.S., the number of RSV cases has been at its highest levels in recent memory, resulting in numbers of hospitalization not seen since COVID the last two years.

RSV & Influenza Have Very Similar Symptoms Compared to COVID

So what do we need to do to keep ourselves and those we care for safe? Employees should understand what the signs and symptoms of these illnesses look like.

Signs and symptoms include:

- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Congestion
- Runny nose
- Sore throatShortness of breath
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Headache
- Body aches

If you're having any of these symptoms of respiratory illness you should:

Immediately report your symptoms to your manager and Employee Health 715.848.4396.

Get tested and stay home. Don't assume your symptoms are due to allergies or another condition.

Other Ways We Can Help

Beyond monitoring our symptoms before coming to work, employees should perform hand hygiene often and when required – utilizing hand sanitizer instead of hand soap when possible – especially during these cold winter months to limit the chances of contact dermatitis (red burning and itching hands from being dried out by soap).

Make sure to cover your coughs and sneezes – catching those in our elbows and not in our hands, or doing so uncovered.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please reach out to Reneé in Employee Health, or Tim and Shelley from Infection Prevention and we'll be happy to help you any way we can. 715.848.4396



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? WAUSAU CAMPUS EMPLOYEE CAFETERIA

BREAKFAST HOURS

9 AM – 11 AM

LUNCH HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM HOT FOOD BAR \$.45/OUNCE (Weekdays Only)

GRAB-N-GO HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY 9 AM – 5:30 PM

WEEKENDS: GRAB-N-GO ONLY

DECEMBER 5 – 9, 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Cheesy Meatloaf Baked Potato Wax Beans	Vegetable Beef Stew Biscuit Creamy Coleslaw	Turkey Dumplings Buttered Peas Dinner Roll	Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes Gravy Parslied Carrots	Teriyaki Chicken Breast Fried Rice Broccoli Florets
SOUP	Turkey Dumpling Soup	Cream of Tomato Soup	TBD	Beef Noodle Soup	Ham & Bean Soup
DESSERT	Cherry Delight	Bread Pudding with Caramel Sauce	Lemon Burst Poke Cake	Cinnamon Baked Apples	Pumpkin Fluff

DECEMBER 12 - 16, 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Smoked Paprika Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans	Lasagna Salad Garlic Toast	Apple Butter Pork Loin Stuffing Roasted Butternut Squash	Turkey & Rice Casserole Dinner Roll Corn	Baked Cod Herbed Rice Creamy Coleslaw
SOUP	TBD	Beef Barley Soup	Garden Vegetable Soup	TBD	TBD
DESSERT	Brownie Bottom Cheesecake	Peaches	Snickerdoodle Krispy Bar	Banana Strawberry Cup	Cranberry Crunch







MONDAY - FRIDAY | 7:30AM - 3PM HOT FOOD AVAILABLE UNTIL 2:30PM

PANINI OF THE WEEK

AMERICAN MUFFULETTA \$6.50

SALAMI | HAM | PROVOLONE | GARLIC & OLIVE SPREAD

PANINI FORECAST

12/12 | JALAPENO POPPER

BACON | JALAPENO | CREAM CHEESE

12/19 | BEEF OR CHICKEN NACHOS

WITH CHOICE OF TOPPINGS!

12/26 | TURKEY CLUB

TURKEY | BACON | SWISS | MAYO

LATTE OF THE WEEK



PEPPERMINT MOCHA

KICK START YOUR WEEK WITH \$1 OFF ANY LARGE LATTE EVERY MONDAY!

COME TRY OUR NEW EXTRA CREAMY RECIPE!

SMALL CONE/LARGE CONE 1.70/2.50

SMALL SUNDAE/LARGE SUNDAE 2.70/3.70

ONE TOPPING INCLUDED: * NEW - MINI BROWNIE BITES *

SPRINKLES, OREO CRUMBLES, CHOCOLATE SYRUP, WHIP, STRAWBERRY SYRUP, CARAMEL

ADDITIONAL TOPPINGS

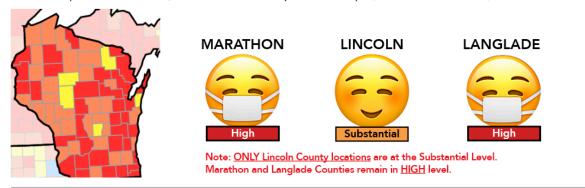
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CURRENT TRANSMISSION LEVELS BY COUNTY | DECEMBER 1, 2022

Temperature screening is **NO LONGER** required for Employees or Visitors at any NCHC location.



Based on your county's transmission levels noted above, please take the following actions for your county of service:



All Nursing Home <u>and</u> Hospital Locations (Adult & Youth):

Staff, visitors and patients are **<u>REQUIRED</u>** to wear masks at all times in all areas including hallways, waiting rooms and meetings that include residents or patients.

Non-Nursing Home and Non-Hospital Locations:

Face masks are **<u>RECOMMENDED</u>**, but <u>not required</u> by staff, patients and visitors, <u>except</u> for when social distancing cannot be maintained in private offices, therapy rooms, exam rooms and while transporting any patient, client or resident in a personal or NCHC vehicle.

All Staff at ALL locations may remove masks while working alone in private offices, employee-only access areas and in areas prohibited to patients or residents, like staff-only meeting rooms, offices or lounges.



- Surgical face masks of face coverings are NOT REQUIRED at any NCHC locations at these Levels.
- * Employees will follow all Covid-19 Confirmed/Suspected Precautions posted in all units or patient/resident rooms.
- * All units and program areas under outbreak precautions will continue to require masks until out of outbreak. Follow all outbreak signage posted within unit or facility.

VISITOR NOTE FOR ALL LEVELS:

• When visiting <u>Covid-19 Confirmed patients</u> or residents, visitors are required to wear masks and eye protection and practice social distancing.

EMPLOYEE REPORTING

Employees are **<u>REQUIRED</u>** to report any signs of illness to their manager immediately.

- Employees should STAY HOME if they are experiencing any signs of illness. Managers and Employee Health will provide return to work guidance.
- Staff are required to use PLT or take unpaid leave due to symptoms or exposure.