

Hands of Heartland

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Summer is in full swing!

Can you believe July is here already? While the summer of 2020 has surely been different than many, we've still been very busy here at Hands of Heartland! Hopefully this newsletter finds all of our readers safely enjoying a few summer activities out of the house!

Introducing Jen Meints, our new Service Development Manager!

We are excited to welcome another new face here at Hands of Heartland, and would like to introduce you to Jen Meints, our new Service Development Manager for our Lincoln office.

Jen has worked in the disability field for almost 18 years, and was inspired by her daughter Grace, who has a rare syndrome

known as PHACE Syndrome. Grace has taught her more than Jen ever thought possible in the short 17 years she's been in her life. From her daughter, she's learned patience, determination, compassion, empathy, and dedication.

Jen has been the Arc of Lincoln board president for two years, and enjoys working with the community to educate and inspire families. She has been on the Nebraska Developmental Disability Council, and governor-appointed board chair for nearly a year. She has also attended the Assistive Technology Parent Advisory board for two years. She is the founding member of the PHACE Syndrome Community Foundation and was on the board from 2013-2020.

Jen loves spending time with her family and helping others, making her an incredible new asset to the Hands of Heartland team. Welcome, Jen! We're so happy to have you on board!

Team Member of the Month

Our team member of the month for July is Zach Abbott!

Each month, we love to highlight employees who are exemplifying what it means to be part of Hands of Heartland! This month, we're happy to recognize Zach Abbott, one of our Direct Support Professionals. Zach shines each day with his pleasant demeanor; always friendly, dependable, and eager to help out the people

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around him. By always completing a task properly and efficiently the first time, and taking any direction in a receptive, positive manner, Zach is a refreshing part of the supportive environment we work hard to maintain.

His patience and kindness are always evident, which we've seen even more recently as he encourages interaction and reduces challenging behaviors in some of the people he supports. Thanks for being such an important, wonderful part of Hands of Heartland, Zach!

Nominate Team Member of The Month

If you are a Direct Support Professional here at Hands of Heartland and want to make sure a team member is recognized for their effort and dedication, please contact Andile Mahlangeni-Byndon, abyndon@handsofheartland.com with your nomination!

Hands of Heartland Opens New Lincoln Location

We are pleased to announce that Hands of Heartland is opening a new location at 7501 O Street in Lincoln, NE on July 1st!

Supporting more Nebraskans across the state is important to Hands of Heartland, and this new location is an exciting step in support of that goal. We are grateful to now be offering supports and services to individuals in Lincoln and the surrounding areas.

We will be bringing the same unique and modern approach to this new location, and are thrilled to become a contributing member of the vibrant community that is Lincoln. We will be offering a wide range of services and supports starting in July of 2020. If interested, or if you have any questions at all, please contact Jen Meints at jmeints@handsofheartland.com or at 402-310-3950.

Celebrating July Birthdays!

GANNY P. (7/3)	JEREMY F. (7/12)	JONNITTA H. (7/23)	JEANETTE D. (7/28)
RHONDA H. (7/4)	SOLOMON F. (7/13)	IBREHIMA K. (7/23)	ANANI N. (7/28)
TYLER P. (7/4)	CRYSTAL B. (7/18)	BRETT C. (7/26)	JAMES B. (7/29)
KODJOVI P. (7/4)	ANDREW B. (7/19)	ANIS O. (7/26)	VERNADETTE O. (7/29)
KERRY E. (7/8)	MARK S. (7/20)	ADENECH A. (7/28)	

We'd love to hear from you

Share your content ideas with Jessica Lode at jlode@handsofheartland.com

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Honoring July Anniversaries

STEFANIE M. (1 YEAR)	LUCY S. (4 YEARS)	KIMBERLEY C. (8 YEARS)
CHARLES T. (1 YEAR)	SANDRA H. (4 YEARS)	JANETTE R. (9 YEARS)
A'MYA S. (1 YEAR)	DEBORAH H. (4 YEARS)	SCOTT E. (11 YEARS)
MASON M. (1 YEAR)	NIDA L. (4 YEARS)	CHERYL L. (21 YEARS)
WENDY F. (3 YEARS)	LISA H. (6 YEARS)	TEX J. (21 YEARS)
DAVID P. (3 YEARS)	MARK C. (7 YEARS)	

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