



CONNECTIONS

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JOIN US AT THE FAMILY SUPPORT HOLIDAY EVENT

We hope you can join us for snacks, crafts, music, and a picture with Santa!

When: Tuesday, December 5th, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Where: Sisters of Holy Cross, 377 Island Pond Rd., Manchester, NH 03109

RSVP REQUIRED (Limited to parents, children receiving services, and siblings)

Contact: aida.schneider@moorecenter.org or 603-206-2714 by Monday, November 27th.

See you there!



CONFLICT FREE CASE MANAGEMENT

If you would like information about Conflict Free Case Management please go to www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/hcbs-waiver.htm. You can also contact Jennifer Pineo jsp@nhfv.org or 271-4525. There is an online survey that will be available until November 21st.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CAPCICMSurvey>

LEARN MORE ABOUT SERVICES AT THE MOORE CENTER

FAMILY CENTERED EARLY SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

The Moore Center's Family Centered Early Supports and Services program provides services to infants, toddlers, and their families. These supports and services are individualized to each family's specific needs.

FCESS providers enhance parent-child relationships through play based activities. FCESS services are typically provided in a natural environment, most often in the family's home or child care setting.



This child receives services from an Early Intervention Specialist. She works with the family to teach them play-based strategies for language development. In the photo mom is playing with her son with direction from the provider when needed.

FAMILY DIRECTED SERVICES (ALSO CALLED PDMS)

Participant Directed and Managed Services is a program that helps individuals and families self-direct their own services. This department is made up of four individuals: Diane Martines, the Program Director; Katelyn Meagher, the Program Manager; Bobby Bist, Manager of Staffing; and Ryan Russo, the Administrative Assistant. The PDMS team and families work together to help meet the individual's needs and to insure they receive adequate and safe services. We also help families manage their budgets and follow 521 and 525 regulation requirements.

ADVOCACY SUPPORT GROUP (ASG)

Our Advocacy Support Group (ASG) aims to help educate and empower parents and guardians throughout their child's time in school and transitional services. The ASG provides support and resources to allow parents to advocate for their children's needs. The group brings in guest speakers, they share experiences, and collaborate.

Meetings are held on the third Friday of every other month from 9am -11am at The Moore Center. The next meeting will be held on January 19th. Please contact Luis Raymundo, 206-2755 or luis.raymundo@moorecenter.org

FAMILY SUPPORT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The NH Bureau of Developmental Services established and supports the Family Support Advisory Council for each of the ten area agencies. The council advises the area agency regarding family issues and monitors the use of family support funds.

The Family Support Advisory Council is made up entirely of parents and family members of individuals who are served by The Moore Center and live at home. The Council provides a voice for families in our region to articulate the unique needs of loved ones with a disability and the families that care for them. We hope you will consider joining the council and sharing your voice.

Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 – 8:30 PM at The Moore Center. Please email Susan Goddard at susan.goddard@moorecenter.org for more information.

Want to find out more about The Moore Center's programs? Check out our website: www.moorecenter.org and like us on Facebook!

THE RISING STARS

Look out for The Rising Stars Self Advocacy Group because they are on the move! They recently enjoyed a fun-filled Halloween Party but they are getting down to business this holiday season. They prepared food collection boxes for their November food drive and already started selling holiday wreaths and kissing balls. The McGregor Street Office Wednesday Pizza Lunch fundraisers have continued to be a hit every week. Preparations have started for the 6th Annual Dancing with the Rising Stars and the DVD's from last season's show will go on sale soon. In spite of all their hard work they have scheduled some fun outings over the next couple of months: a movie night, bowling day, a crafts day and a Holiday party will fill up their calendar.

FUN WITH FRIENDS

The Fun With Friends (FWF) group is affiliated with People First of NH. They were founded in January of 2000. Individuals/consumers hire and supervise their own advisor. Their mission is to provide a comfortable meeting place where individuals can discuss their lives, gain maturity, create future plans, and continue to maintain and expand their social relationships beyond high school and into adulthood. They remain successful in this mission, planning monthly activities and expanding their social network.

Fun With Friends has adopted fundraising for specific causes, and are particularly proud of the fact that as a group they are contributing to the betterment of society. FWF continues to make bimonthly donations to the soup kitchen and annually volunteer labor and make clothing donations at the community center where they meet.

This group has given many young people a place to meet new friends, hang out with old ones, practice skills not easily practiced at home, to have fun, and grow from their experiences.

AARC: ALL ABOUT RECREATION COMMITTEE

There is more fun to be had. Come out for a night of dancing or afternoon bowling. Hang out with your friends or make new ones!

DANCES

Dec. 9, 2017 St. George's Greek Church 6-9 pm Christmas Dinner Dance
650 Hanover St, Manchester NH

Mar 17, 2018 Holy Cross Hall 7-9 pm St. Patrick's Day Dance
Island Pond Rd, Manchester NH

Apr 21, 2018 Matthew Thornton Elementary 7-9 pm Boot Scootin' Country Dance
Londonderry NH

BOWLING

Lakeside Lanes, 2171 Candia Rd, Manchester at 3 pm on the following Saturday
Bowling fee is \$6.00 for 2 strings, always at 3:00, our goal is to start on time, if you're late, you may only be able to bowl 1 string.

For more information contact AARC at AARC.Committee@moorecenter.org

RESOURCES

THE BIRTHDAY TREASURE CHEST

If you are or know of a parent/guardian struggling to pinch pennies to buy your child a birthday present please consider visiting us. We have a generous selection of new and gently used toys that we can wrap up for your child. We have an awesome selection of cards to choose from as well!

Contact us at: Natalie & Lucy Girouard, 281 Cartier St. Manchester, NH 03102, 603-493-4909
Thebirthdaytreasurechest@gmail.com

NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons is providing a turkey and all the fixings. No reservations needed. Please bring an I.D. and proof of residency. Don't forget to sign up for their Christmas basket during this time.

When: November 21st-24th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where: New Horizon 199 Manchester Street, Manchester NH phone: 668-1877

SALVATION ARMY

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Sign-ups are for Children up to the age of 12 years. To receive assistance, please go in person to the address below and bring the following: Proof of residency, child (children)'s birth certificates and a valid I.D.

When: November 30th; December 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th and 9th from 9:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

December 2nd and 9th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Contact Info: 121 Cedar Street, Manchester, NH 03101, (603) 627-7013 Service/Intake, (603) 622-8332

HOOKSETT TOWN OFFICE

Service description: Eligible Hooksett families can sign up for any and all of the following:

Thanksgiving basket, Outdoor Winter clothing for kids, Christmas food basket, Supplemental Christmas gifts for kids

Contact info: 35 Main Street, Hooksett, NH 03106, (603) 485-8769 Service/Intake

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Christmas Day Meal on December 25th at 1:00 p.m. , 961 Valley Street, Manchester, (603) 622-8863

TOYS

If you are an individual family looking for help this year, please contact 2-1-1 New Hampshire, New Hampshire Catholic Charities, the Salvation Army, or your local Head Start program.

If you are in need of guidance to identify a specific resource. Please contact Susan Goddard at 206-2794



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