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To our DDDC Adult Program families,

The DDDC continues to monitor closely information being provided by both the New Jersey Department of Health about the COVID-19 virus. Through our Dean at the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology, we are also staying informed about the efforts of the task force mobilized by Rutgers University’s President Barchi to address the challenges the virus is posing.

All State Agencies continue to advise us to stay informed about COVID-19 and follow Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance on how to slow or prevent the spread of any virus. We will continue to update you as we get more information about the virus and how it may impact the university or DDDC’s operating status. Also, in addition to the daily cleaning of our buildings each night by Rutgers University custodial staff, we are doing the following things to prevent or reduce the spread of any illness at our center. DDDC staff are disinfecting all surfaces touched frequently at the end of each school day and are assisting your son or daughter to wash his or her hands thoroughly at the following times: upon arriving at school, before eating, after eating, after coughing/sneezing, upon returning from any community trip, and prior to leaving our building at the end of the day.

In addition, while we are hoping that a center closure will be unnecessary, we are planning for the possibility that our center may have to close for a period of time. Based on the resources we have should a closure take place, we will be putting together a plan to provide remote support for you as you manage your son or daughter at home.

Please feel free to contact me or Donna Sloan with any questions or concerns.

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