Disability Rights Nebraska to Continue Providing Services to the Disability Community during COVID-19

Disability Rights Nebraska will continue to serve the disability community during this COVID-19 crisis. Both the Lincoln and Scottsbluff offices will be closed to the public and to walk-ins for two weeks, starting Monday, March 23, 2020 and will reopen Monday, April 6, 2020. We are doing this for the safety of our staff, their families and the community we serve.

We will continue to provide services to current clients and respond to new requests for services by telephone, email, internet and US Mail. All trainings, public meetings, outreach events, and travel have been suspended until further notice.

We are committed to continuing our services to protect and advocate for people with disabilities during this time. If you have been denied access to necessary services due to COVID-19 or feel that your legal rights have been violated, please contact us at 1-800-422-6691.

Through this unprecedented time:

- 1. Staff will work from home. Our Leadership Team is providing support and resources to allow staff to continue to do their work and offer services to our clients and the community.
- 2. The Disability Rights Nebraska staff will be available by phone during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.).
- 3. Disability Rights Nebraska will still conduct intakes by telephone from 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Call 402-474-3183 or 1-800-422-6691 (toll-free) to request assistance with disability rights issues.
- 4. Intakes may also be submitted online at: https://www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org/need our assistance/request for assist ance.html

You can follow us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/DisabilityRightsNebraska/ for regular updates on the rapidly evolving situation regarding COVID-19 and other issues of concern to our community.

Established in 1977, Disability Rights Nebraska is a not for profit public interest law firm, dedicated to protecting the rights of individuals with a wide range of physical, mental, psychiatric, sensory and cognitive disabilities. As part of the nationwide protection and

advocacy (P&A) system, we provide free legal services to persons with disabilities in Nebraska.

For more information, visit <u>www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org</u>