

### A Message from the Executive Director:

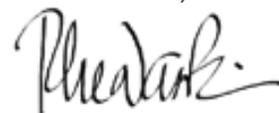
Happy New Year from Christie's Place! We welcome 2022 with open arms and hope in our hearts. As the new year gets underway, Christie's Place is excited to see our clients and the community while still maintaining the highest safety standards to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. As of now, our "new normal" will look like this:

- Staff will be working onsite with a staggered schedule to assist clients with their in-person needs. Our office hours are Monday-Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. All virtual and telehealth services will continue to be offered.
- Masks are required when on Christie's Place property. Staff will be wearing masks and will have free masks available to clients and the community. Staff will also be disinfecting high touch-point areas every few hours to maintain safety to the best of our ability. You can help us by making sure you stay home if you are experiencing any COVID symptoms. We're happy to meet with you via Zoom or over the phone.
- We highly encourage clients to make an appointments when they want to come onsite. We have prepared a welcoming outdoor sitting area in our courtyard where clients can enjoy a cup of coffee and wait prior to their scheduled appointment.
- For now, support groups are still being offered virtually and we will let the community know as soon as this changes.

We will continue to monitor COVID rates in San Diego and adjust our policies if necessary.

I acknowledge how hard the past 22 months have been and how much we miss seeing and hugging our clients. Your safety is paramount, so we will do what we can to reduce COVID transmission risk and still offer much-needed in-person services. The staff of Christie's Place is committed to our clients and the communities we serve, and I am amazed by their resilience and dedication. As Maya Angelou once wrote, "I can be changed by what happens to me. But I refuse to be reduced by it." COVID has been a tough road, but 2022 brings with it a renewed purpose and energy that we look forward to sharing through good work with all of you!

In wellness,



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Executive Director