

New Neighbors, Friendly Reminders, Noteworthy News, and more!

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#### **Noteworthy News**

**YMCA of the North Shore**, 200 Cummings Center, Suite 173-D, is serving as a critical community resource during the COVID-19 crisis. It is operating four emergency early learning and after-school childcare sites; partnering with local school districts and food pantries to distribute meals and groceries to food-insecure individuals and families; providing food and emergency housing for the homeless; hosting food, blood, and PPE donation drives; and much more. To learn more or make a donation to support these efforts, please contact Erica Cashman at cashmane@northshoreymca.org.

### **Special Offer**



**allConnex**, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 247-F, is offering free assessments for work-fromhome solutions. The company serves as the liaison between its customers and more than

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100 technology providers, including cloud solutions, data centers, security services, and more. Complete the <u>assessment</u>, and its vendor-agnostic engineers will help implement solutions rapidly and effectively to help your business bridge the IT gap. For additional information, contact Matt Walsh at 774-643-5777.

# **Thank You**

Thank you to our client firms that are leveraging their expertise in the fight against COVID-19. We are proud of all the important science happening on the North Shore to promote this effort.



- <u>Lexagene</u>'s LX Analyzer successfully detects coronavirus RNA using the CDC's tests. <u>Read more</u>.
- <u>Genomic Expression</u>, a North Shore InnoVentures incubator firm, has developed a COVID-19 test utilizing RNA detection. It will be submitting its testing protocols to the FDA shortly for approval.
- <u>Spectrus</u>, a North Shore InnoVentures incubator firm, is exploring proteomics methods to detect the virus in human samples.

# **Virtual Services**

**Loretta Cusick** and **Michele Chatelier**, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 307-L, are continuing to provide psychotherapy and medication services for current clients and new referrals via telehealth and phone. Their goal is to provide a supportive, professional resource that promotes more effective functioning and stability during this unsettling time. They hope to help clients manage increased feelings of anxiety and depression, as well as a sense of isolation and instability. For more information or to make an appointment, call Loretta at 978-922-3301 ext. 3.

# **Call for Submissions**



#### We want to hear from you!

Have you adapted your business to offer virtual services during the pandemic? Is your firm providing vital healthcare services or medical research during this challenging time? Hoping to share some helpful tips or special offers with other Cummings clients? Email your news, offers, and photos to Helen Jeffers at <u>newsbrief@cummings.com</u>.

#### **Friendly Reminder**

An <u>Emergency Order</u> was issued by the city of Beverly requiring, among other things, all persons entering a commercial building complex to wear a face covering over their mouth and nose. The Order went into effect at 12:01 AM, Sunday, April 12, 2020, and will remain in effect until notice is given. As required, Cummings Properties has posted the Board of Health Notice at all entry doors at its Cummings Center and Dunham Ridge campuses.

Because face masks are in short supply, the Beverly health inspector provided helpful links from <u>CDC</u> and <u>U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams</u> regarding "do it yourself" face coverings.

Please contact the city of Beverly at 978-921-6000 with any questions or concerns regarding the Order or the links above.

# **Simple Smiles**

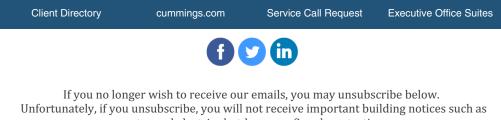
During these times of uncertainty, it can be difficult to see the sunnier side of things. We are inviting all North Shore News readers to submit photos of something or some place that without fail always makes them smile. The submission possibilities are endless: We only ask that these photos do not include people.



#### **Shoe Snippets**

Fun facts about the historic Cummings Center site, formerly known as "The Shoe"

United Shoe Machinery Corporation designed the original buildings at Cummings Center to have 75 percent of their wall space made of glass. This percentage climbed as high as 90 percent in a few buildings, allowing for plenty of natural light every day.



water and electric shutdowns or fire alarm testing.