



Make today a breakthrough.

July 17, 2020

Dear Employer,

Cure SMA is the leading national organization representing and supporting individuals and families impacted by spinal muscular atrophy (SMA), many of whom experience unique and complex health needs daily.

During the reopening phase of this public health crisis, it remains a high priority that people with SMA remain healthy and safe. The coronavirus (COVID-19) poses a greater threat to individuals with SMA, specifically as it relates to respiratory health. It is of utmost importance to keep this vulnerable community as safe as possible.

Therefore, as businesses and workplaces continue to reopen, it is imperative that people with SMA and their caregivers remain at home to continue isolation and social distancing for a longer time to ensure their health. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued guidance for employers with practical steps for helping to protect higher-risk workers, such as supporting telework options, reducing public engagement and travel, and promoting enhanced workplace social distancing. Cure SMA supports this CDC guidance and requests your continued support for a virtual work environment for an employee who is either diagnosed with SMA or lives with someone who has SMA.

If you have any questions or are in need of additional information about SMA, please contact us at info@curesma.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K.A. Hobby".

Kenneth Hobby
President

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Schroth".

Mary Schroth, MD, FAAP, FCCP
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