

Half a century ago, advocate parents who wanted something better for their children came together to start a new kind of compassionate care model for Nebraskans needing a helping hand. The result was ENCOR, Nebraska's first community-based service system program.

ENCOR was designed to help people who experience developmental and intellectual disabilities find ongoing support and thrive independently throughout their lives by learning new skills, finding meaningful employment and growing into contributing members of the community.

As we stand at the precipice of a new century of service, we at ENCOR are excited to share with you a new name that better captures the heart of our work. We are now called Duet, which stands for "Develop, Unite, Empower, *Together*." Just as a duet of musicians collaborates to create beautiful music greater than the sum of its parts, at Duet we bring together the diverse people of Eastern Nebraska to create inclusive, thriving communities.

Though our name has changed, our core services have not. We continue to provide day support services, residential support, job coaching and employment opportunities, continuing education and community advocacy and many other services across five Nebraska counties. To celebrate this new chapter of our organization, you are invited to Duet's Ribbon Cutting. We would be honored if you join our staff, community partners and the people we support as we celebrate the past 50 years and look forward to our next 50 years.

Duet Ribbon Cutting Thursday, February 27th 4:00-5:30 p.m.

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You can find out more information about this event and more on our current website www.encor-dd.org. Over the next few weeks and months, you will see the transition of ENCOR to Duet being showcased in areas like our website. We will be unveiling www.duetne.org soon and will redirect from the old one during the process. Your patience, support and understanding is much appreciated.

On behalf of the entire team at Duet, we thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to a new era of empowering Nebraskan children and adults with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities to live richly and contribute to their communities!

Sincerely, The Duet Team