

## **Personal Protective Equipment Donations**

As the COVID-19 situation continues to unfold, Valley Medical Group is monitoring our supply needs. We have been getting calls and e-mails from grateful individuals and suppliers who are willing to donate personal protective equipment (PPE) for our staff.

To that end, and in hopes of preventing additional illnesses, we are now accepting donations of new and unused PPE.

Types of PPE that we are accepting include:

- Masks (N95, surgical, and procedure)
- Disposable gloves
- Disinfecting wipes such as Clorox or Sani-cloth wipes
- Hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Face shields
- Goggles and eye shields
- Isolation or surgical gowns

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## **Hand Sewn Masks**

We will accept donations homemade surgical-style masks for possible future use. At the present time we have adequate supplies of personal protective equipment. We are aware that might change, and having a supply of homemade masks in storage would be of use to Valley Medical Group. We thank you for the time and dedication you have given to making these masks.

Homemade mask instructions (copy and paste to your browser): https://www.cooleydickinson.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/How-to-make-a-Face-Mask.pdf

Video instructions (click on link or copy and paste to browser)
 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wcMhjFNEqCo
 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ueWkAuY3k6Y
 https://www.deaconess.com/How-to-make-a-Face-Mask

## Where to Bring your Donation

Please place donated items in a clean paper bag labeled "Donated PPE" and include your name and address so we can thank you.

PPE may be dropped off between 9am and 3pm Monday thru Friday at the Amherst Valley Medical health center, 31 Hall Drive, Amherst, MA at the main entrance, in the container labeled "Donated PPE". If you are not able to come to the Amherst location, please contact the Amherst Valley Medical Health Center at 256-8561 and press "0" for the operator and ask to be directed to Val Felton. Val will coordinate your drop off at the closest Valley Medical Group location.