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Mount Evans Home Health Care & Hospice Requesting Donations of Personal Protection Equipment to Fight COVID-19

Mount Evans Home Health Care & Hospice remains committed to providing comprehensive hospice, palliative care and home health services to mountain residents throughout the duration of the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak.

To keep our team of nurses, nurse practitioners, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists and certified nursing assistants safe from the virus, and to slow transmission, there is a desperate need for Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), including:

- Facemasks (N-95 respirators/surgical masks)
- Latex gloves
- Sanitizer wipes and hand sanitizer
- Face shields or goggles
- Medical gowns

Mount Evans is asking businesses that have a surplus of these or similar items (dentists, restaurants, veterinarians, estheticians, etc.) to donate their PPE. Mount Evans has been working around the clock to secure this equipment but due to limited quantities of supplies available from vendors, and the high volume of supplies needed to properly protect our community and health workers responding to COVID-19, Mount Evans is asking for help from the mountain community.

Our patients are among the most susceptible to COVID-19. We are taking every precaution to ensure their safety. PPE protects against transmission of the virus either between patient and medical staff or medical staff and patient.

There are currently more than 300 patients receiving care from Mount Evans in Jefferson, Clear Creek, Gilpin and Park counties. We expect this number to grow, perhaps exponentially, as hospitals discharge patients to their homes. Home health care is uniquely positioned to deliver needed care at a safe social distance.

Businesses that would like to donate PPE supplies to Mount Evans are asked to contact Mark Guebert-Steward at 303-674-6400 or email MGuebertSteward@MountEvans.org. Donations can be dropped off at Mount Evans Home Health Care & Hospice, 3081 Bergen Peak Drive, Evergreen, CO 80439. In an effort to maintain social distancing, Mount Evans has placed a lidded bin outside our doors for donations.

Donations are tax-deductible.