

For immediate release:

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## **Cooley Dickinson Accepts Donations; When, Where, What and How Explained Here; Resources for Blood Donations**

NORTHAMPTON – Cooley Dickinson Health Care is accepting donations of homemade masks and certain types of medical-grade personal protective equipment. Donations can be dropped off at Cooley Dickinson Hospital’s North Building Entrance, Monday through Friday, between 8 am and 4:30 pm.

### **Homemade Masks**

To ensure patient safety, we are currently following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance in accepting non-medical grade PPE (such as homemade masks). Here are the instructions for making a face mask:

- **[How to Make a Face Mask \(print PDF instructions\)](#)**
- **[YouTube video instructions \(two videos\)](#)**
  - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wcMhjFNEqCo>
  - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ueWkAuY3k6Y>

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### **Medical-Grade Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

If you are interested in donating medical-grade PPE\*, please drop donations off at Cooley Dickinson Hospital’s North Entrance, Monday through Friday, between 8 am and 4:30 pm. There will be someone at the North Entrance who will accept your donation during these times; you don’t need to leave your car.

These donations are being gathered clinical assessment and approval prior to being deployed. You will be asked to leave your name so we can acknowledge your donation. If you would like to make an anonymous donation, that is fine, too.

*\*Medical grade PPE includes the following [machine-manufactured](#) products:*

- Masks: N95, Surgical, Fluid Shield
- Goggles/Safety glasses
- Gloves
- Gowns: Disposable, Isolation
- Hand sanitizer
- Bleach/Sani-Wipes

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## **MONETARY DONATIONS**

All inquiries regarding monetary and non-monetary donations, should be directed to the Cooley Dickinson Call Center at **888-554-4234**, Monday-Friday, from 8am-5pm.

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## **BLOOD DONATION**

### **Baystate Medical Center Donor Center**

- Call for appointment at **413-794-4600**
- Stop at front entrance desk and let staff know you are there to donate. You will be allowed to proceed even though no visitors are allowed.
- Hours:
  - Sunday and Monday- 8am-12
  - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday- 12p-8p
  - Friday- 8am-4pm

### **Holyoke Medical Center Donor Center:**

- Call for appointment at **413-534-2591**
- Stop at front entrance desk and let staff know you are there to donate. You will be allowed to proceed even though no visitors are allowed.
- Hours: Monday through Friday- 8 am-3pm

### **American Red Cross:**

- Nearest location is [150 Brookdale Drive, Springfield, MA 01104](#)
- Schedule an appointment online [HERE](#).
- Enter the zip code **of 01104** for the nearest ARC location in Springfield to see available dates and times
- Call **1-800-733-2767**
- Hours:
  - Saturday- 7:45 am –4:00 pm
  - Sunday and Monday- 7:30 am – 3:45pm
  - Tuesday through Friday- 11 am– 7:15pm