Dear IRMC Community,

Not all Heroes Wear Capes – Some Wear Scrubs! These are challenging and uncertain times for all of us – our IRMC Family is no exception. As our community hospital stands ready, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to be on the frontline protecting and caring for our friends and neighbors during this pandemic, we are forever grateful to serve in such a generous community.

Each day we are both humbled and encouraged by the acts of generosity by businesses and individuals in support of our medical professionals and the patients they treat. Thank you! The support you are showing for our team, while we care for your families and loved ones, truly means the world to us.

As we know, COVID-19 has placed an incredible financial burden on our families, businesses, and our hospital as we all join together to protect our community. Our team at IRMC has been preparing for years for just such a situation. We’ve spent countless hours planning, built the most state-of-the-art Operating Rooms and Intensive Care Unit, have recruited the very best physicians and nurses; but still, never could have imagined the enormous demands of continuing to provide a safe hospital and workplace for our patients and employees.

Many of you have asked how can I help? How can I support our doctors, nurses, and the rest of the frontline employees? How can I be part of protecting our community?

Here are some of the most pressing ways our IRMC Family could use your support in the days ahead:

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) donations – N95 Respirator Masks, Gowns, Latex Gloves, Shoe Covers, Sewn Masks, etc.
- Financial Donations to support the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment as well as additional sanitizing robots.
- Funds to help start an Employee Catastrophic Fund to help us take care of the needs of our employees on the frontline protecting our community.
- Financial support for the construction of negative pressure rooms and purchase additional beds and linens for those spaces.

Our heroes are those on the frontline – our physicians, our nurses, our housekeepers, our food services workers and so many other employees that are serving during this stressful time. Many of our employees are coming to work every day, knowing they pose a risk to their own families when they return home at the end of a shift, yet they still come. They are here for you. We hope you will help be there for them. Donations may be made online at [www.indianarmc.org/waystogive](http://www.indianarmc.org/waystogive) or donations may be mailed to Indiana Healthcare Foundation, 835 Hospital Road, Indiana, PA 15701. To arrange for donations of PPE or masks, please call 724-357-7188 or email [info@indianarmc.org](mailto:info@indianarmc.org).

Thank you for your continued faith in us,

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