Hillrom Announces More Than $5.5 Million In Donations To Expand Access To COVID-19 Pandemic Care

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Creates Critical Care and Respiratory Support Program, Supported by American Hospital Association
Donates $50,000 to American Nurses Foundation

CHICAGO, March 19, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Hillrom (NYSE: HRC) today announced it is donating an additional $3 million in medical devices well-suited for critical and intensive care environments to 25 U.S. hospitals fighting COVID-19. Combined with prior donations in Asia, Europe and other philanthropic activities in our communities, Hillrom donations to assist caregivers and patients in the current pandemic total more than $5.5 million to date.

"Hillrom's diverse portfolio is uniquely suited to help caregivers and patients fighting the COVID-19 pandemic," said Hillrom President and CEO John Groetelaars. "We feel a deep responsibility as a healthcare company to help our communities expand access to critical care. We are honored that the American Hospital Association is supporting our initiative by spreading the word among the nation's hospitals so that we can get the Critical Care and Respiratory Support products where they are needed most."

The Hillrom for Humanity Critical Care and Respiratory Support Program includes ICU beds, patient monitoring and respiratory health devices. Hospitals selected for the donations will each receive:

- Two Progressa® ICU beds
- One Welch Allyn Connex® vital signs monitor
- Three respiratory health technologies: the Life2000® non-invasive ventilator; the MetaNeb® System, for oscillation lung-expansion therapy; and The Vest®, which provides high-frequency chest-wall oscillation
Interested hospitals must meet certain eligibility criteria, including demonstration of need, community transmission of COVID-19, and the ability to put the devices to immediate clinical use. Applications may be submitted by any U.S. hospital and will be vetted solely by Hillrom’s Global Compliance Office and Medical Affairs and Informatics Department. Hospitals meeting the criteria will be chosen to receive the Hillrom for Humanity Critical Care and Respiratory Support Program donations on a first-come, first-served basis. The medical devices received as part of this program are unrestricted donations to the hospitals without any relationship to any current or future business opportunities. Interested U.S. hospitals should visit the Hillrom COVID-19 Resource Center on Hillrom.com for more information and to apply.

“The women and men of America’s hospitals and health systems are on the front lines every day, treating and helping prevent the spread of COVID-19,” said American Hospital Association President and CEO Rick Pollack. “We appreciate Hillrom’s important donations to help hospitals, health systems and health care providers expand access to critical care technologies as they respond to the novel coronavirus pandemic.”

“Close cooperation with the private sector has been a key piece of the Trump Administration’s response to the COVID-19 outbreak, and Hillrom’s donation of equipment for critical care units is the latest example of how those partnerships are bearing fruit,” said HHS Secretary Alex Azar. "The active engagement we’ve seen from companies like Hillrom will be essential to ensuring that American healthcare providers have the supplies they need to combat the COVID-19 outbreak and save American lives.”

Hillrom Donations Assist China and the American Nurses Foundation

In January, Hillrom donated more than $2 million in vital signs monitors to the Chinese Red Cross to assist with efforts to better diagnose and help treat COVID-19 during the initial spread of the coronavirus within China. Today, Hillrom made a $50,000 cash donation to the American Nurses Foundation to build upon the organization’s efforts to support the needs of U.S. nurses during and after the COVID-19 outbreak. And the company continues to provide local support in its communities as well.

Hillrom COVID-19 Resource Center


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Hillrom is a global medical technology leader whose 10,000 employees have a single purpose: enhancing outcomes for patients and their caregivers by advancing connected care. Around the world, our innovations touch over 7 million patients each day. They help enable earlier diagnosis and treatment, optimize surgical efficiency and accelerate patient recovery while simplifying clinical communication and shifting care closer to home. We make these outcomes possible through connected smart beds, patient lifts, patient assessment and monitoring.
technologies, caregiver collaboration tools, respiratory health devices, advanced operating room equipment and more, delivering actionable, real-time insights at the point of care. Learn more at hillrom.com.

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