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**Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter Donates to Fight COVID-19**

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA – The Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter, NECA has donated to 20 health care facilities, systems, or foundations throughout Pennsylvania and Delaware to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

Each recipient has had a good relationship with NECA Contractors. These recipients include:

* Bryn Mawr Hospital (Mainline Health)
* Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
* Christiana Hospital
* Doylestown Hospital Health Foundation
* Einstein Healthcare Network
* Evangelical Community Hospital of Lewisburg, PA
* Geisinger Medical Center
* Guthrie Hospital
* Hershey Medical Center
* Jefferson Hospital Abington
* Lankenau Hospital (Mainline Health)
* Lehigh Valley Medical Center Mt. Pocono
* Paoli Hospital (Mainline Health)
* Penn Medicine
* Reading Hospital
* Riddle Hospital (Mainline Health)
* St. Luke’s University Health Network
* Temple University Hospital
* UPMC Pinnacle Foundation
* WellSpan Health

The recipients intend to use the donations to support their COVID-19 response efforts in several ways. These include purchasing medical equipment, funding research on the virus, and supporting other emergent needs of health care workers and facilities.

“It is my privilege to thank you for your gift to the Center for Research on Coronavirus Gift Fund at Penn Medicine.” said Julie B. Spaeth, Senior Executive Director of Services at Penn Medicine, “Your generosity contributes to our future successes in medical research, patient care, and education. Because of your support, we are ready to take on new challenges while continuing our proud tradition of excellence in health care. On behalf of Penn Medicine, thank you again for your partnership.”

Some of the donations were earmarked for the well-being of hospital caregivers themselves. This was done to express the appreciation of Chapter Board Members, Officers, and staff for the critical work frontline hospital workers are completing.

“Gifts like yours encourage our caregivers . . . who are working around-the-clock to care for others and let them know how much we care for them.” said Nancy Lawton-Kluck, Chief Philanthropy Officer at Geisinger Health System, “We are immensely grateful for your support. We are standing as one in this fight and will get through it together. Thank you, from all of us at Geisinger.”

The Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter is proud to make these donations. “These health care facilities have been great to our Contractors and their communities throughout the years,” said Sarah Bennett, Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter Director of Special Projects, “The least we can do is offer them support in a time like this.”

*To learn more about the Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter’s efforts to fight COVID-19, please contact Sarah Bennett at* *sbennett@neca-pdj.org**.*