

COVID-19

Patient
Care Services

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*In appreciation for your selfless work and dedication
during these extraordinary times*

Boston still STRONG



April 15th, #OneBostonDay, marks the anniversary of the Marathon bombings in 2013. This year, Mass General joined in the observance by saluting the strength, resilience, and generosity of the people of Boston and those around the world who responded with such grace during that tragedy. The Bulfinch and White Buildings shone brilliant blue, and Boston's finest drove through the city flashing their lights in appreciation of the healthcare workers and first responders who are stepping up once again during this COVID-19 pandemic. (Click here for video.)

A hero's welcome

It's not every day you get a round of applause for just walking in to work, let alone have an entire department cheer for you at 7:30 in the morning. But that's what happened to physical therapist, Lauren Detmer, PT, when she returned to MGH, April 16th, after being out of work for 28 days because she tested positive for the coronavirus. Detmer was greeted by co-workers whose smiling faces may have been hidden by masks but whose love and joy were clearly visible.



Random acts of kindness

While chatting with unit service associate, Neusa Monteiro, in the Blake 8 Cardiac Surgical ICU, nursing director, Vivian Donahue, RN, admired her scrub cap. Monteiro mentioned that she'd made it herself. The next day, Monteiro presented Donahue with a scrub cap that she'd made by hand especially for her.

Said Donahue, "It brought tears to my eyes. It was such a kind and generous gift. Those random acts of kindness mean so much at times like this."



NICU nurses created re-fueling bags for their colleagues in the ICUs, Respiratory Therapy, and Police & Security.

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