



PARKVIEW WABASH FOUNDATION

Giving Patients Peace of Mind at Parkview Wabash

Crash carts in Parkview Wabash Hospital help clinical staff respond immediately.



Care Services at Parkview Wabash Hospital, new crash carts are now standardized throughout the hospital. This means nurses or doctors can efficiently treat patients, wherever an emergency may occur.

Patients and their families should feel some comfort when they come through the doors of Parkview Wabash Hospital because at any time, anywhere they can receive immediate, thorough care. Because of the excellent staff and generosity of donors, this continues to be a reality for the patients at Parkview Wabash.

Crash carts are used by doctors and nurses to help a patient in distress. They contain medical equipment, such as respiratory equipment, and devices for inserting IVs and assisting patients in breathing, medication and defibrillation. According to Cathy Wolfe, Vice President of Patient

At Parkview Wabash Hospital, there are a total of five crash carts in the hospital: two in the emergency department, one in the coronary care unit, one in the medical-surgical department and one in the operating room. All of the registered nurses, physicians and respiratory therapists must maintain certification in the life-saving use of the equipment and must participate in mock codes throughout the year. When a patient's condition deteriorates rapidly, the availability and use of these crash carts may mean the difference between life and death.

It's not uncommon for staff to work across various departments, so standardizing these carts allows staff to work with equipment that is familiar to them. "Through the standardization of the crash carts, I believe that we can respond very efficiently and effectively no matter where the patient is and provide the emergency care that is needed," explained Wolfe. The result is peace of mind for any patient entering Parkview Wabash, because you know that you will be well taken care of, even outside of your hospital room.

"We're very thankful [to donors who] provide the funds [through the Foundation] for this very important equipment," Wolfe shared. "The crash carts are already in use and have helped multiple patients in emergency situations."

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Wabash High School Volleyball Teams Help 'Kill' Cancer

Local volleyball teams raise money for the Parkview Wabash Mammogram Charity Fund.

While many high school athletes only focus on season records and championships, Wabash High School junior varsity and varsity teams have rallied behind a cause that continues to provide hope to the community and countless women. To date, the teams have raised over \$30,000 for the Parkview Wabash Foundation Mammogram Charity Fund through their "Kills for the Cure" event.

According to team coach Katie Cromer, the project was developed after the national "Dig Pink" initiative. The girls wanted their efforts to benefit those living in the Wabash community. They purchased pink uniforms for the girls to wear for the month of October and worked with the Parkview Wabash Hospital Foundation, formerly Wabash County Hospital Foundation, to establish the Mammography Charity Fund. This fund provides mammograms and additional breast cancer screening for women who are unable to pay for these lifesaving screenings.

The girls put in enormous amounts of time and effort in support of their community and women's health. The girls make presentations to local business leaders and community organizations such as Rotary and Kiwanis, and they raise money in the form of flat donations or "pledges per kill." The girls present a slide show including information about the night and testimonials from women who have benefited from the Mammogram Charity Fund. The team then hosts a Pink Night during the last home game of the season and decorate the gym with balloons and streamers. Donors are recognized

during the game with banners hanging on the wall.

Katie is proud of the girls and recognizes the generosity they've received from the community. She attributes much of this success to the "continued and generous support from individuals and businesses in our community."

These annual efforts benefit not only those who use the funds, but also the girls on the team, Katie explained. Through their efforts, the girls experience giving back to their community and gain experience in public speaking. More importantly, they raise awareness about breast cancer. Katie hopes they look back on this experience as positive and rewarding because they were able to make a difference in the lives of the women in their community through generosity. Generosity Heals.



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Join Us for Upcoming

Wabash Foundation Connect Events!

Sept. 7, 5:30-6:30pm

Oct. 5, 11:00-Noon

Nov. 2, 5:30-6:30pm

Dec. 14, 11:00-Noon

An RSVP to Beth Squires Stein at 569-2254 is required if you would like to attend a Parkview Wabash Foundation Connect event.