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### **Oneida Health Receives \$25,000 Grant from CNY Community Foundation**

**Oneida, NY** – Oneida Health announced that it recently received a grant of \$25,000 from the Central New York Community Foundation. The grant was awarded to aid in the procurement of critical Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), testing supplies, thermometers, and technology.

“We would like to express our sincerest gratitude to the Community Foundation for their support during this time,” said Gene Morreale, President and CEO of Oneida Health. “Our ability to purchase and obtain adequate PPE supplies during this unprecedented time has been significantly challenged. The financial support received from the Community Foundation will further our efforts to maintain the highest level of safety for our patients, residents, staff, and providers.”

“Serving both as the main hospital and a major employer in its region, Oneida Health is vital to the health and safety of Madison County residents,” said Robyn Smith, director, strategic initiatives at the Central New York Community Foundation. “Our grant from the Madison County Rural Poverty Fund will provide the essential resources needed to keep workers safe and ensure they are able to assist the community in this time of crisis.”

The combination of the Community Foundation’s grant, and donations of both purchased and homemade PPE supplies has made a positive impact according to Mr. Morreale. “The support we have received during this time from community members, local businesses, and organizations like the Community Foundation, has been extremely beneficial to our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We continue to produce positive patient outcomes because of these generous efforts.”

Oneida Health is currently providing six ways that businesses and individuals can support them during the COVID-19 pandemic. These options include homemade or purchased PPE supplies, monetary donations, volunteer opportunities, supplies for staff break areas, food donations, and messages of support. For more information about ways you can help, please visit [www.oneidahealth.org](http://www.oneidahealth.org).

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#### **About Oneida Health**

Oneida Health serves an area comprised of approximately 29 communities in Madison and western Oneida counties with a population of approximately 100,000. Operated by Oneida Health Systems,



Inc, a New York State not-for-profit corporation, the organization includes a 101-bed acute care hospital, emergency department, state of the art surgery center, 160-bed extended-care and short-term rehab facility, primary care offices, internal medicine, comprehensive lab services, home medical equipment, comprehensive imaging services, outpatient therapy, and care specialties in: oncology, neurology, podiatry, vascular, sleep, OB/GYN, orthopedics, wound care, GI, and ENT. To learn more about Oneida Health, visit [www.oneidahealth.org](http://www.oneidahealth.org).

### **About the Central New York Community Foundation**

The mission of the Central New York Community Foundation is to foster a thriving Central New York community, inspire greater giving, celebrate legacy and steward charitable resources for today and tomorrow. The CNYCF is a public charity established in 1927 that collects contributions from donors, manages them to grow over time and then distributes funding to local charities to help them thrive. It is the largest charitable foundation in Central New York with assets of more than \$280 million and has invested more than \$200 million in community improvement projects since its inception. As a grantmaker, civic leader, convener and sponsor of strategic initiatives, the Community Foundation strives to strengthen local nonprofits, encourage better understanding of the region and address the most critical issues of our time. To learn more about the Community Foundation, visit [www.cnycf.org](http://www.cnycf.org).