

On Being a Respiratory Therapist

You are called upon to assist those to breathe
It may be nothing more than a simple wheeze.

You're always there with ambu bag ready;
You've learned early on your hands must be steady.

Sometimes you intubate and place on a vent,
Other times you extubate and know to heaven you sent.
Your role is important and vital to all
Which is why you are perked and listen for the call.

So never underestimate the role that you play
In keeping patients safe day after day.

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Please take time to show your appreciation for our Respiratory Therapy Department as we celebrate Respiratory Care Week, October 22nd – October 28th, 2017. Respiratory Therapy at LGH, also known as the Cardiopulmonary Services Department, offers a wide array of skills and interventions including: Arterial Blood Gases (ABG), Chest Percussion Therapy (CPT), Cardiac Stress Tests (Exercise or Nuclear), Electroencephalograms (EEG), Emergency Short-term Mechanical Ventilation, Hand Held Nebulizers (HHN), Holter Monitor Application, Incentive Spirometry, Intermittent Positive Pressure Breathing (IPPB), Oxygen Saturation (O2 Sat) Readings, Pulmonary Function Testing, and Pulmonary Stress Testing just to name a few.
Ben, Connie, Lori, Marquita, Misty, Otis, and Sarah - we are grateful for all that you add to the LGH family.