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# WE MADE AN IMPACT TOGETHER



RWJUH recently unveiled the completion of the first phase of the hospital's surgical services expansion, including the construction of a new three-story building. Phase I includes five new state-of-the-art operating rooms (ORs), including the state's only intraoperative MRI and a hybrid OR. The hospital's new Central Sterile Processing (CSP) unit, which is responsible for cleaning and sterilizing all devices used in medical procedures at RWJUH, was also unveiled. The project, which broke ground in July 2020, will enable RWJUH to meet the increasing demand for complex surgical interventions. The facility integrates the latest technologies and process designs to enhance

quality, safety, and patient outcomes, while also increasing its capacity to treat more patients. **"Our new surgical services platform is smarter, enables full integration among the clinical teams, and is totally optimized for infection prevention and reduction in errors. I believe it will attract even more top surgeons, nurses and clinical staff to the RWJUH team, and will enable us to provide more care to our communities, as well as improve the quality of that care,"** says Bill Arnold, President and Chief Executive Officer. As surgical case numbers and complexity have increased, the need for expanded sterilization and decontamination has grown significantly. RWJUH's CSP unit footprint has nearly doubled to 16,000 square feet in this expansion, and is now located inside of the new facility.



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Recognizing the need to address staff fatigue, anxiety and stress after caring for patients during the COVID-19 pandemic, **Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (RWJUH) has dedicated a special respite and rejuvenation room to support its Nursing Team members. The room was made possible thanks to a generous donation from the Kaplan Family, as a tribute to the care they received in 2020 during the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.** The dedicated space is much more than a break room for nurses. It features soothing colors, custom furniture designed specifically for relaxation, and a quiet environment that allows nursing staff to step away from the hospital and take a much-needed moment for themselves. "We're thrilled that we at Kaplan Companies can do our part to help these wonderful people who risk their lives every day," says Jason Kaplan, President of Kaplan Companies. "Our recognition of nurses shouldn't go away after the COVID-19 pandemic ends. We should be clapping for nurses and doctors every day."

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