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### TWIG 6 PURCHASES NEWSMARTMONITOR® APNEA MONITOR FOR FMC PATIENTS



**LANCASTER, Ohio (September 3, 2008)** – Fairfield Medical Center’s TWIG 6 (Together, Willingness, Imagination, Giving) division recently purchased a SmartMonitor® 2PS Apnea Monitor for use in the hospital by the Respiratory Department. The SmartMonitor® 2PS is mainly used on infants, but is also used for adults. With the new SmartMonitor® 2PS, healthcare professionals at Fairfield Medical Center can monitor infants with state-of-the-art technology that is designed for monitoring heart rate, respiration levels, and oxygen saturation levels using one piece of equipment.



Lyle Miller, Clinical Charge Therapist at FMC met with Alice Dupler, TWIG 6 Past President, and Judy Smeck, TWIG 6 President, to explain the need for this equipment and how it will benefit FMC patients. “We were in need of a more reliable apnea monitor to check on breathing patterns of infants with periods of apnea. Technology is ever changing and with this equipment came a more updated download, offering better features. The SmartMonitor prints out a graph showing the patients heart rate, respiratory rate, and oxygen level, all at the same time, offering more comprehensive information for healthcare professionals to assess their patients.”

When asked why such a generous purchase was made by the Twig members, TWIG 6 President, Judy Smeck commented, “From talking with Lyle, I feel that our money was very well spent. All of us at TWIG 6 understand the importance of having new technology to provide better care at Fairfield Medical Center. It is great to see that we picked a top-of-the-line, easy to use piece of equipment that will benefit our community tremendously.”

Mina Ubbing, FMC President and CEO, commented, “We appreciate the generosity, support, and involvement of the TWIG 6 group. I can’t say enough about how much they give back to the community and the Hospital as a whole.”

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