



THE MIRIAM HOSPITAL  
WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Equipped for Exceptional Care

# Time For Exceptional Care

Portable Wheelchair and Stretcher Weight Scales



Please help us in supporting patients and medical staff at The Miriam Hospital.

Each year, The Miriam Hospital Emergency Department sees some 80,000 patients. To provide appropriate medication dosages and life-saving fluid resuscitation, caregivers often require immediate and accurate measurement of a patient's weight.

The Miriam Hospital Women's Association's gift of one wheelchair scale and two stretcher scales would meet an expressed Emergency Department need by enabling caregivers to obtain more timely weights.

The scales would directly strengthen care for a crucial portion of patients, including stroke and sepsis patients. In addition, many elderly, bariatric and unsteady gait patients would also be weighed in a safer, and more expedient and accurate manner upon arrival.

The wheelchair scale is portable and can be used with wheelchairs, straight-legged chairs or as a stand-on scale. The portable stretcher scale provides precision weighing for patients in gurneys, wheelchairs, and all common stretcher types.

The scales will be located so as to be easily accessible to all Emergency Department patients and will lead to improved patient outcomes. We hope you will agree and will support our effort for timely Exceptional Care.

Thank you.

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Equipped for Exceptional Care Committee