VNA of NWI Needs
Currently, the VNA is in need of personal protection equipment, including masks, gowns, head & shoe coverings, hand sanitizer, etc. We have the items in stock but anticipate a greater need in the near future and are working to procure the necessary supplies. Any connection to resources would be appreciated.

VNA of NWI Hospice
VNA of NWI continues to provide hospice care for patients throughout LaPorte County. Patients in their own homes or home of a loved one continue to receive visits as scheduled/needed from VNA nurses, aides, social workers and chaplains. VNA staff also visit patients in skilled nursing or assisted living facilities as their policies allow. For those facilities on lock down, VNA staff coordinates care with the facility staff and communicates with family members. Patients are admitted to the VNA Hospice Center in Valparaiso as medically necessary. Policies are in place to screen staff, volunteers, patients and visitors.

Families and medical practitioners may contact the VNA at 462-5195.

VNA Companionship Phone Program
Socialization is encouraged for older adults to help maintain a healthy lifestyle; however, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, older adults are being encouraged to stay at home. The VNA of NWI has developed a new program to help community members continue to have the best days possible and is offering companionship phone calls for community members.

The VNA Companionship Phone Program is available for older adults, 60 and older, who are isolated from family members. The duration of the calls are approximately 15-20 minutes, once to twice a week. Medical advice will not be provided as these calls are for socialization purposes. If the recipient has a medical question, they will be directed to contact their provider or 911 if it is an emergency. The VNA is committed to continuing to be a resource for the community during this difficult time. If the recipient does have a question regarding the current situation that isn’t medical, the VNA will attempt to find an answer.

For those who are interested in receiving calls through the companionship program, please email Melanie Marshall at mmarshall@vnanwi.org or call 462-5195 for further information.