

<u>Clothing Distancing Solution for Health Care and Public Service</u> Frontliners

As a Nurse, Tonia Torrellas, Creator of It's MyBag, feels Nurse's Day 2020 should be shared: Frontliner's Day

American entrepreneurs are rising to the Coronavirus challenge. Micro-breweries are switching their processes to produce hand sanitizers. Numerous small businesses are responding to the need for more face masks. And now a Long Island, New York nurse is offering a clothing distancing solution for medical and public service front-liners.

Nurse Tonia Torrellas has developed a patented garment bag with a built-in hamper for soiled or used clothing. She calls it ItsMyBag. ItsMyBag enables a front-liner worker to carry a clean change of clothes in one compartment and to safely store their soiled front-line clothing in a separate compartment. This allows a front-line worker to change their clothing in a way that protects their families and the community.

The Front-liner Clothing Distancing Challenge

Front-liners have the challenge of managing their clothing against contaminating others. Too often, they wear their work clothing home. In doing so they are exposing their vehicles to contamination. If they use public transit or riding sharing they are exposing the general public. Once home, they run the risk of exposing their families by wearing their work clothing inside the home.

It'sMyBag's dual compartment design solves this problem. It provides front-liners with a way to separately store their clean clothing and work clothing within their work lockers. "It's like a traveling closet," Nurse Torrellas explains. "It keeps your soiled clothing and your clean clothing separate and organized. That protects them from spreading the Coronavirus to others."

Using ItsMyBag works like this. Front-line providers can wear their clean work clothes to work, storing a second set of clean clothes inside their It'sMyBag. It'sMyBag is designed to hang inside their work locker. After work they can change into their second set of clean clothes while storing their soiled clothing in a separate compartment inside It'sMyBag. They take their It'sMyBag home with them. At home they can safely remove their isolated work clothes for cleaning. They can then disinfect It'sMyBag for reuse.

Donate It's My Bag To Front-liners

New York Life Representatives Alex Bujacich and Shawn Swift joined together and bought a case of It'sMyBag for nurses at Northwell Hospital in Manhasset, New York. Long Island postal workers bought It'sMyBag for a front-liner at NUMC Hospital in East Meadow NY. Nurse Maggie McGovern working at Nassau Community College and her daughter, also a nurse working at LIJ/Northwell in Lake Success New York, were gifted It'sMyBag. Nurse McGovern then played it forward by buying It'sMyBag for other nurses.

Go to www.itsmybag.com to buy It'sMyBag for your local community's front-line providers.

Nurse Tonia Torrellas' Story-*quote from Bill Roth-Green Builds Business (GBB)

Nurse Torrellas exemplifies the big hearts carried by our medical and public service providers. She cares, a lot. She developed ItsMyBag as both a healthier best practice for service providers and as a solution that reduces the plastic bag waste generated through the dry cleaning process often used by service providers to clean their work clothing.

The American Way

Nurse Torrellas, and the many other Americans like her, are what defines America. They are the ones who run toward the battle. Failure is not fate. It is just another mountain that will be overcome on the way toward a better future.

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