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Northern New England Chapter

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the citizens of Maine, I write this letter in recognition of International Central Service Week which is recognized from October 13th through October 19th.

As you may know, Central Service Technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies, and equipment in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, providing support to patient care services. The Central Service Department of a hospital is where tasks such as cleaning, decontaminating, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing, and distributing of medical devices and supplies needed for patient care takes place. Central Service Technicians are responsible for first-line processes surrounding instruments, supplies, and equipment required for operating rooms to ensure patient safety and prevent infections.

As Governor, I encourage all Maine people to recognize the contributions made by Central Service Technicians to keep patients safe.

Thank you,

Janet T. Mills
Governor