

# THE BOSTON MARATHON® BEHIND THE SCENES

Ever wonder what preparation goes on behind the scenes at the Boston Marathon to make sure the runners have a great race day? It takes an army of medics – and a few tons of equipment – to ensure that if a medical concern arises, runners can be checked and treated quickly to get them to the finish line healthy, safely and hydrated.



**1,600**  
MEDICAL PERSONNEL



**35,000**  
GALLONS OF WATER



**4,000**  
BANDAGES



**700**  
INTRAVENOUS BAGS

**20 i-STAT®**  
HANDHELD BLOOD  
ANALYZERS



As title sponsor of the Abbott World Marathon Majors and partner of the Boston Marathon, Abbott is providing i-STAT® Systems, handheld blood analyzers that perform commonly ordered blood tests within minutes, empowering the Boston Marathon medical staff with information to check heart function or monitor physical exertion and administer needed care on site.



**1,000–2,000**  
RUNNERS AND SPECTATORS  
ASSISTED EVERY YEAR



**39,575**  
FOIL BLANKETS



**28,200**  
BANANAS



**25**  
EKG MACHINES



**10,000**  
TRASH BAGS



**28**  
MEDICAL TENTS



**992**  
PORTABLE TOILETS