

## GM, Ford finish making 80,000 ventilators

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(HealthDay)—General Motors and Ford have completed U.S. government contracts to make 80,000 medical breathing machines for the U.S. government to help treat COVID-19 patients.

Ford made 50,000 and GM made 30,000 of the machines designed by Ventec Life Systems, the *Associated Press* reported.

GM made the ventilators at a converted auto electronics plant in Kokomo, Indiana, at a cost of \$489.4 million. Ford's contract was worth \$336 million and it made the ventilators at a factory near Detroit that was converted to make the medical equipment.

The Ford plant will return to producing auto parts, while GM will turn control of its Kokomo plant to Ventec, which will continue to make ventilators there and in Bothell, Washington, the *AP* reported.

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