

State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Health Standards Section

TO: All Nursing Homes, ICF/DD, and Adult Residential Care Providers

FROM: Louisiana Department of Health

Health Standards Section

SUBJECT: PPE Requests

DATE: March 22, 2020

We understand that there has been significant requests for PPE and other medical supplies/equipment. Previously you may have been told to go through your Parish EOP (Emergency Operations Center) or use the app, ReadyOps — effectively immediately, please discontinue using those avenues.

In an effort to streamline that process, we have developed the following protocols for you to seek the PPE and testing kits that you need:

- 1. To the extent possible, please continue to use the vendor/supply chain you would normally to request such supplies.
- We are keeping a list of unique vendors (as they become made known to us) on our website, and you may be able to receive supplies more quickly by purchasing from them directly.

List here: http://ldh.la.gov/assets/oph/Coronavirus/resources/providers/PPEforweb.pdf. If you wish to be added to this vendor list, please email EOCPPE@la.gov with detailed information about your resources.

3. You can call the State Supply Hotline at **225-325-5900** to be put on our list as supplies become available. This line is open 8:00 am – 5:00 pm CST; 7 days a week.

Please note these guidelines are for NON-government entities. Additionally, this is not a guarantee that you will receive PPE – we are prioritizing supplies that go out based on need, so you may receive some of your request, rather than the entire ask at once. We understand there are shortages of supplies everywhere across the state and the United States, so please be patient as we look to distribute our limited resources the best way we can.

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