

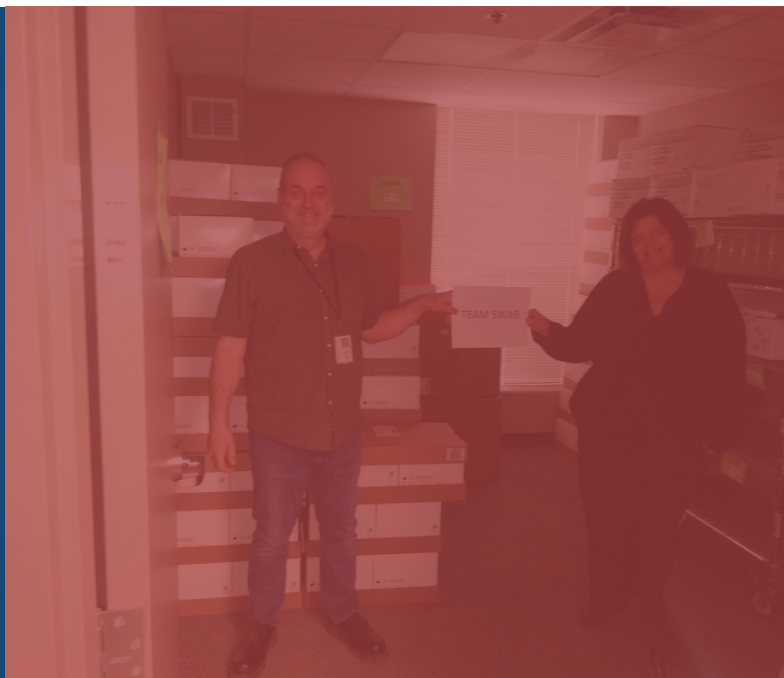
REGIONAL COVID-19 PORTAL



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WEEKLY UPDATE

PPE supply in the Ontario Health
West Region during COVID-19



Weekly Call to Action

All urgent requests for PPE should be made by visiting [HMMSCovid19.ca](https://hmmscovid19.ca) and submitting the online order form

What does URGENT mean?

For the purposes of distributing PPE received through the provincial pipeline, an urgent need is considered to be when an organization has equal to or less than 7 days of stock on hand. Please take this into consideration when submitting an urgent request.

Outside of Region Requests

There are different processes for urgent PPE requests outside of the West Region. If your organization has branches in several areas of the province, submit your request using the process for the location in need.

[Champlain Sub-region](#)

[All other parts of Ontario](#)

WHICH PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) DO I USE?

Healthcare workers must assess which PPE to use before each patient interaction.

To protect yourself from exposure, refer to the suggested PPE guide at hmmscovid19.ca



HMMSCovid19.ca also features other resources and information including:

- Conservation Status
- HMMS Acute Stock Status
- Latest PPE News
- Regional Allocation Committee Information
- Distribution Model Description
- Swab Order Form
- How to Donate Supplies

PPE Conservation Status



This represents the status of conservation efforts in the West Region for various PPE and N95 respirators, including those approved for current clinical use and under consideration for future clinical use. This regional supply can be made available to acute sector organizations under urgent circumstances.



Respirators		
	Conservation Approach	Mitigation Strategy
High Usage		
Mask N95 1870+	●	1) Fit test to available supply 2) Fit test to reusable (i.e. Elastomeric) 3) Utilize expired products 4) Investigate reprocessing
Mask N95 8210	●	
Mask N95 1870	●	
Mask N95 1860S	●	

PPE		
	Conservation Approach	Mitigation Strategy
Isolation Gowns	●	Converting to reusable where possible
Masks (Level 1)	●	Use alternate supply (Level 2)
Masks (Level 2+)	●	
Face Shields	●	
Gloves	●	Alternate supply sources under evaluation

PPE is an important part of safety, not only for our clients, but for our staff.

Good News

"I wish to convey to you the great experience the Alzheimer Society of Chatham-Kent had in acquiring PPE through the online request process. On April 23 at 11am, I filled out the required online form for surgical masks. At noon, I had a confirmation email. At 3pm, the masks were delivered to our door. I was extremely impressed with the quick response and delivery! Thank you to TransForm for this valuable and timely service."

- Mary Ellen Parker, CEO, Alzheimer Society of Chatham-Kent

Resources

Guidance for Mask use in Long-Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes
http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/2019_guidance_ltc_retirement_homes.pdf

Ontario's COVID-19 website
<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/>



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