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Update on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Private Community-based Physicians

On Thursday, April 9th we provided members with a [copy of the letter](#) sent to the Deputy Minister of Health and Community Services seeking equivalent access to PPE for community-based physician practices. Earlier this week we engaged with the Department in a direct discussion on this issue but we have no results to report today. We remain firm in our resolve that the health system must address the PPE needs of both RHA employees and community-based private physicians, and their staff. It is inappropriate to have one standard of protection for workers in one setting but not the other, especially at a time when the marketplace for PPE is so significantly disrupted.

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