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PPE Update for Community-based practices

This evening, the NLMA was advised by the Department of Health that PPE will be provided to private physician clinics beyond the 3 emergency kits that were previously made available. The Department provided the following points:

- The following PPE will be available at the existing pick-up locations beginning Wednesday, May 27:
 - Face shields, procedural masks for patients, and EN standard surgical masks.
 - The EN standard surgical masks are pending delivery but they are anticipated for distribution on Wednesday, May 27.
- This PPE will be available on a go forward basis for pick-up once per week (Wednesdays) as supplies allow.
- It is requested that to control the flow of people in and out of hospitals pick-up be arranged for Wednesday only.

Providing private community-based practices with access to the RHA PPE inventories is welcome news. NLMA has asked the Department for additional clarification about ordering and specific quantities as these details were not included. We will provide members with additional details early next week.

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