March 13, 2020 (Phoenix, AZ) - The Arizona Medical Association (ArMA) has heard from several of its physician members over the past few days with concerns of being properly prepared and having enough equipment to collect COVID-19 samples. We have been working with appropriate local and state agencies to ensure that Arizona's physicians receive the proper amount of support as we prepare for an increase in needed tests for diagnosis of COVID-19.

We applaud the efforts of both the Arizona Department of Health Services and Governor Doug Ducey's office. They have been taking the appropriate steps to ensure that Arizonans may remain safe and that physicians are given the right tools and resources to control further spread of the virus. This is a quickly evolving pandemic and ArMA is working diligently to increase support for physicians and healthcare workers.

Physicians are encouraged to utilize the resources provided on the ArMA website, ADHS website, and their county department of public health website. ArMA will continue to work with stakeholders as the voice of Arizona's physicians throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

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