



LHA COVID-19 ALERT



LHA COVID-19 Alert: March 20, 2020 LDH Releases New PPE Request Process

The Louisiana Department of Health's (LDH) new Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Request Process is now in place. Previously, you may have been going through your Parish Emergency Operations Center (EOP) or using the ReadyOps app; however, **effectively immediately, please discontinue using those avenues.**

To streamline the PPE Request Process, **LDH has developed the following protocols for hospitals to seek needed PPE and test kits:**

1. To the extent possible, continue to use the vendor/supply chains that your hospital would normally use to request such supplies.
2. LDH has posted a [list of vendors](#) on its website, which will be updated as new vendors are identified. In addition, the LHA has begun to compile a [list of vendors](#), which will also be updated continuously. Your hospitals may be able to receive supplies more quickly by purchasing from these vendors directly.
3. Hospital staff members can call the **State Supply Hotline at 225-325-5900** to be added to a list as supplies become available. This line is open 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CST.

This and other local, state and national hospital-specific resources and guidance from trusted sources can be located on the LHA's COVID-19 [webpage](#). We will continue to monitor developments and update resources as necessary.

Note: This Alert is being distributed to hospital C-Suite personnel in the LHA database.