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Subject: Important Update on the Minister's Order and Direction on PPE Data Collection/ CSE Survey

Please find attached an updated Minister's Order and Direction on PPE Data Collection and important updates pertaining to the COVID-19 Critical Supplies and Equipment Survey.

Updated Minister's Order and Direction:

- On March 27th, 2020, the Minister of Health issued an order under subsection 77.7.1(1) of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act, 1990*, requiring health service providers to report daily on PPE inventories
- Participation of health service providers in this important initiative has enabled a robust infrastructure for:
 - Up to date inventories and forecasted needs for supplies across the province
 - Centralized procurement of PPE in a globally constricted marketplace
 - Proactive allocation and distribution of centrally purchased critical supplies and equipment, particularly to vulnerable sectors and populations
- Following up on the Ministry's commitment to reduce data reporting burdens and in support of the first stage of the government's reopening framework, **the Minister of Health is now issuing an updated order and direction that allows for reduced frequency in reporting**
- The reduced reporting frequency does not impact current processes for accessing PPE – please see below
- The updated Minister's order and direction is attached and is available on the [MOH COVID-19 Website](#)
- Instructions for participation are published on the [Ontario Health Website](#)

Reminder: Accessing Emergency PPE

If health system organizations and providers have a supply shortage despite their own procurement, stewardship and conservation efforts, we ask that they do the following:

- Work with their regular supplier to determine when they will receive their shipment of PPE
- Work with other local health care providers to determine if any in the local area have supplies they can provide
- Submit a request via the appropriate [Personal Protective Equipment Intake Form](#). A Regional Table Lead will work to see if they can address the request within the region. If the need cannot be addressed regionally, the Regional Table Lead will escalate the request to the Ministry Emergency Operations Centre.

Changes to the CSE Survey:

A few changes to the survey have been made as a result of the updated Minister's Order:

- Survey instructions have been modified to reflect the new reporting frequency (you'll continue to report in the same way, just less often)
- The list of CSE items you are required to report on has been updated
- New functionality has been added to save your data prior to submission

Training Supports Available:

If you are a **new user** of the CSE Survey (and have not attended a webinar previously), please note the following training sessions:

- Thursday, June 11 - 2:00 - 3:00 - [Click here to join](#) (Password: CSESurvey)

If you are a **regular user** of the CSE Survey, and would like to learn more about the recent changes, please note the following training sessions:

- Thursday, June 11 - 11:00 - 11:30 AM - [Click here to join](#) (Password: CSESurvey)
- Friday, June 12 - 10:00 - 10:30 AM - [Click here to join](#) (Password: CSESurvey)
- Monday, June 15 - 10:00 - 10:30 AM - [Click here to join](#) (Password: CSESurvey)

Your continued participation is invaluable in ensuring we have the critical information needed to procure and allocate supplies effectively.

Thank you

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