



NJOEM / NJDOH Joint Statement on Resource Requests

In the last several days, LANJDE has worked diligently with our colleagues with HCANJ to address concerns with regard to PPE resource requests for long term care providers. We are in daily communications with the ESF #8 Support Desk at the State Emergency Operations Center. Our office learned yesterday, that some county emergency management agencies were not willing to accept direct resource requests from healthcare entities. This issue has been addressed via NJDOEM and NJDOH who issued the following statement to all Emergency Management Agencies Statewide late evening:

"NJ Office of Emergency Management (NJOEM) & NJ Department of Health (NJDOH) Joint Statement on Health related and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) resource requests.

All resource requests regardless of originating agency, inclusive of health care facilities should be routed through the NJOEM E-Team Resource Request Process. This process requires requesting agencies initiate the request through their respective County OEM.

All agencies are encouraged to follow the recommendations of the CDC/NIOSH on extending use and limited re-use of your PPE supply."

The NJOEM E-Team Resource Request Process is managed entirely by Emergency Management Agencies

As such, when making resource requests to emergency management agencies - your healthcare facility MUST be as descriptive as possible with regard to the resources that you are requesting and should ONLY place requests after all internal avenues have been exhausted. For example, if you are in need of "gloves" - indicate "type" of glove, "amount" of gloves, "size need", etc. Additionally, make certain to provide adequate contact information - facility name, address, cell phone, main phone number.

***Be Advised - There are currently NO supplies on hand for deployment at this time. An additional request for resources has been made to the Federal Government. When these resources become available, additional instructions will be disseminated.

The list of County Coordinators is enclosed in this link.
<http://ready.nj.gov/about-us/county-coordinators.shtml>

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