

SUBJECT: DONATION REQUEST: Critical PPE Needs for Local and Regional Medical Sites

To the MSU Research and Extension Community,

In the last 48 hours, the human medical community locally, regionally and nationally has been experiencing a **significant shortage of desired personal protective equipment (PPE)** (<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/19/health/coronavirus-masks-shortage.html>) for use with suspect- and positive COVID-19 patients in clinical centers and hospitals.

EHS, CAR, Extension and others are coordinating an **MSU-wide PPE donation effort from those research labs and groups that have needed supplies** for collection and distribution to our medical partners to protect them as they attend to their essential healthcare duties. **This outreach is intended to cooperate with other donation requests that have originated through faculty and depts; please forward this call-out to your professional networks.** For questions and clarifications, the **point person will be Brian Smith** (smithb97@msu.edu) from EHS.

Requests for **UNOPENED and UNUSED** gear and supplies include:

- PAPRs (powered air-purifying respirators)
- Surgical/face mask
- Nitrile gloves
- N95 (respirator) masks
- Face shields
- Safety glasses
- Disinfectant wipes
- Eyeglasses shield
- Ethanol/rubbing alcohol
- Disposable surgical gowns
- Microbial culture swabs

To donate and track your supplies for reimbursement:

1. Visit this EHS website for more information: <https://ehs.msu.edu/news/2020-03-20-ppe-donation.html>
2. Use the modified 'Hazardous Waste Pickup' form to enter what you have to donate: <https://db.ehs.msu.edu/chem-waste/new.htm>
3. Complete the top items with your name, phone, PI, location, etc.
4. For the donation portion enter the following:
 - Waste ID: **0000**
 - Description: **description of items being donated**
 - Container Size - Units: **select "box" or "case"**
 - Number of Containers: **number of containers**

EHS and CAR will coordinate pickup of items (with appropriate distancing), as we have staff members working across research buildings (EL and GRRC), using our transportation vehicles to bring items to the 4000 Collins Rd Annex warehouse for distribution.

We will work with the MSU Health Teams and Dr. Beauchamp and Dr. Weismantel to determine priority delivery for these items to medical sites in need.

Thank you for your rapid assistance with providing critical PPE and supplies that you can spare from your research areas to address the scarcity.

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