

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Resource
for Independent Direct Support Workers (IDSW) Working for Consumers who
do not receive Case Management or Service Coordination Services
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The Department of Disabilities, Aging & Independent Living in partnership with provider agencies developed this PPE supply resource for Attendant Services and Children’s Personal Care Services program participants and the IDSW providing their in-home services. These self-directed service programs do not include case management which provides resource assistance. IDSW may need Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) supplies support to provide in a home with a person who is COVID-19 positive or has been tested due to symptoms or exposure to someone COVID-19 positive and is waiting for the test results. **PPE through this resource is not guaranteed and may not be immediately available; IDSW are strongly encouraged to obtain a small amount of PPE proactively.**

COVID-19 and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

PPE works as a barrier between an individual’s skin, mouth, nose or eyes and viral and bacterial infections (Food and Drug Administration). **When used properly and with other infection control practices such as hand hygiene PPE minimizes the spread of infection from one person to another. For PPE to be effective it must be used when appropriate, fit correctly, be put on and taken off in a specific order and manner, properly maintained, stored, and disposed of. Due to COVID-19 pandemic obtaining PPE shortages** There are many on-line PPE training and information resources. Here are a few:

- **Direct Service Providers:** www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/direct-service-providers.html
- **Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/using-ppe.html
- **How to Put On (Don) PPE Gear, How to Take Off (Doff) PPE:** www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/using-ppe.html
- **How to Perform a User Seal Check with an N95 Respirator (OSHA Video):** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pGXiUyAoEd8>

Requesting PPE through this Resource Process:

When can PPE be requested through this process?

1. IDSW needs PPE to continue to provide care in a home where a person has tested COVID-19 positive **or** has been tested because they were symptomatic or exposed to a person who was COVID-19 positive and are waiting for the test results.
2. PPE cannot be obtained through other sources.
3. IDSW is not COVID-19 positive, symptomatic or been exposed.

What PPE can be requested?

The following PPE items may be requested: Gloves, Goggles, Gowns, Face Shields, N95/KN95 Respirators, Surgical Masks.

How much PPE to request?

Requests are limited to a maximum of a 2-week supply may. If PPE is needed for more than 2-weeks a second request can be submitted a few days before current supplies run out. The link below may be helpful to determine the PPE needed.

www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/SOV-Personal-Protective-Equipment-Guidance.pdf

Steps to request PPE?

- IDSW completes the IDSW PPE Request Form. When PPE is needed for more than one IDSW, one IDSW will manage and submit a single request for all.
- IDSW contacts an agency listed in this document for the **County the person receiving services** lives in.
- IDSW provides the agency with the request information and answers questions asked by the agency.
- The agency will confirm which supplies they can provide, amount and when it will be delivered to the home of the person receiving services.

If you need help figuring out what to request contact Melanie Feddersen at: **802 289-0015**

Additional Resources for PPE and COVID 19 Information

- Vermont Department of Health www.healthvermont.gov
- Centers for Disease Control www.CDC.gov
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Conservation Measures www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/HAN-PPE-Contingency-Ops-13March2020.pdf
- Infection Control Information
- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/hcp/faq.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fhcp%2Finfection-control-faq.html
- Handwashing: Clean Hands Save Lives: www.cdc.gov/handwashing/

Agency Contact List (to request PPE)

Please only contact one agency within the county

County	Agency Contact Information	
Addison	Addison County Home Health & Hospice Deborah Wesley 802-388-7259 dweslwy@achhh.org Age Well: Helpline 800-642-5119	Counseling Service of Addison County: Sara Mason 802 388-4021 smason@csac-vt.org
Bennington	United Counseling Services: Corinne Bakaitis 802-445-7318 cbakaitis@ucsvt.org	Bayada Home Health: Robert Karney 802-442-8855 rkarney@bayada.com
Caledonia	Northeast Kingdom Human Services: Karl Nitsche 802-535-5945 knitsche@nkhs.net	
Chittenden	Age Well: Helpline 800-642-5119 Transition II: Kara Artus 802 846-7281 kara@transitionii.com	Howard Center: Sarah Brooks 802-488-6972 sbrooks@howardcenter.org Bayada Home Health: Libby Greene 802-857-5030 lgreene@bayada.com
Essex	Northeast Kingdom Human Services: Karl Nitsche 802-535-5945 knitsche@nkhs.net	
Franklin & Grand Ise	Age Well: Helpline 800-642-5119	Northeastern Counseling and Support Services: Claire Thompson Claire.Thompson@ncssinc.org 802-582-8750
Lamoille	Transition II: Kara Artus 802 846-7281 kara@transitionii.com	
Orange	Transition II: Kara Artus 802 846-7281 kara@transitionii.com	
Orleans	Northeast Kingdom Human Services: Karl Nitsche	

	802-535-5945 knitsche@nkhs.net
Rutland	Rutland Mental Health Services: Dustin Redlein 802-786-7322 dredlein@rmhscn.org Bayada Home Health: Greg Stewart 802-774-5111 gstewart@bayada.com
Washington	Pride Inc.: Michele Corrow 802- 279-1736
Windham	Health Care and Rehabilitation Services: Marty Gawron 802-281-8528 mgawron@hcrs.org
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Questions or concerns on this information can be emailed to AHS.DAILCOVIDInquiries@vermont.gov

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