



## ***KCEMS COVID-19 Update***

***April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 1700***

### **EMS Drug bag Cassette Decontamination**

To ensure that everyone has seen this change in process we have included this information again. The latest recommendation from the hospital Infection Control is to consider all EMS cassettes entering the facility **as contaminated**. The updated procedure for cassette exchange will be:

1. Use cleaning supplies provided by the hospital.
2. Wipe down the outside of the drug bag cassette and all of the contents inside the cassette prior to exchanging at the receiving facility.
3. If you set down the cassette inside the hospital the EMS provider will wipe down the location(s).

### **Governor's Emergency Order**

There has been several questions posed since the release of the Executive Order. To help make sure that everyone has the same information the FAQ sheet provided by the state is included by clicking this [link](#). For a full review of the Emergency Order you may follow this [link](#):

### **PPE – surgical mask usage**

We have received several questions and concerns from first response agencies asking if they are able to receive a replacement for the surgical mask that they place on the patient prior to the arrival of the ALS agency. Today all three ALS services has agreed to provide a replacement for the surgical masks that are placed on the patient. Unfortunately, at this point, all other PPE used by 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Agencies must be replaced through their own agency's supplies due to the limited amount of resources.

### **State PPE Survey**

As a reminder, we are only asking that each Life Support agency completes their PPE weekly survey by the State's deadline of Sundays at midnight. If agencies are having difficulties in logging into EMResource they may still use the Google form. We just ask that if you plan on using the Google form to let Lance know by 1700 by Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> so we can know which agencies to update in EMResource. The link to the Google Form is: <https://forms.gle/mGKF6wqeYPAN42sFA>. Here is the link to [EMResource](#).

### **Meter Dose Inhalers (MDI's)**

Just a general reminder for all EMS providers to bring the patient's MDI's with them to the hospital.

### **Process Requesting PPE supplies**

Ensuring everyone has the correct link to request additional supplies

**All Fire Departments will continue to request supplies through the Kent County Emergency Management Office by following this link:**

[https://kentcounty.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5orYU7nBSs3ncrP](https://kentcounty.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5orYU7nBSs3ncrP)

If there is an urgent need for PPE, all fire departments should reach out to Chief Scott Siler as the FD EOC representative to explain the circumstances and the need.

**All transport agencies and hospitals will continue request supplies through the Region 6 Healthcare Coalition by following this link:** <https://www.miregion6.org/emergencyequipmentrequestform.html>.

If there is an urgent need for PPE, all transport agencies should reach out to the R6MCC – 855-734-6622 to explain the circumstances and the need.



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### **Current Statistics**

County	Cases	Deaths
Kent	233	9
Ottawa	59	1
Muskegon	53	4
Newaygo	3	
Montcalm	19	1
Allegan	18	

Age	Percentage of Overall Cases by Age	Percentage of Deceased Cases by Age
0 to 19 years	1%	0%
20 to 29 years	9%	1%
30 to 39 years	13%	2%
40 to 49 years	17%	5%
50 to 59 years	20%	11%
60 to 69 years	18%	21%
70 to 79 years	13%	28%
80+ years	9%	34%
Unknown	<1%	0%

\*as supplied by the State of Michigan at on their COVID-19 website at 1600 on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

State of Michigan data can be found by following the link below:

<https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98163-520743--,00.html>

### **Additional Information**

We would also suggest that you check the following locations to keep abreast of future developments:

CDC Coronavirus (general information): <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

MDHHS COVID-19 website: <https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>

Kent County Health Department COVID-19 website: <https://www.accesskent.com/Health/coronavirus.htm>

Ottawa County Health Department: <https://www.miottawa.org/Health/OCHD/coronavirus.htm>

John Hopkins worldwide status report:

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6>