

Dear Care and Support Provider,

Care and Support Provider Update: 23rd September 2020

Please find below some information on PPE free supply.

In the Adult Social Care Winter plan announced 21st September, DHSC have committed to providing free PPE to all adult social care services for all their Covid-19 PPE needs.

The PPE portal can now be used by all adult social care homes and domiciliary care providers to order the following PPE items for their COVID-19 needs: aprons, gloves, Type IIR masks, hand hygiene and visors. Order limits for the portal will be increasing over the coming weeks, and we ask you to encourage any eligible providers in your area who have not already signed up to do so. All social care providers should have already received an invite to the PPE Portal, however, we will be re-sending invites from next week with the aim to increase these registration rates. The current registration rates for social care providers are between 30-60%. Additional information on current order limits and how to register is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ppe-portal-how-to-order-emergency-personal-protective-equipment>

Additionally, we will make the following PPE items available to all other adult social care services that will not be supplied via the PPE Portal: aprons, coveralls, gloves, Type IIR Masks, FFP3 Masks, eye protection, hand hygiene, and clinical waste bags.

How to register for the portal?

You can only log in and place an order if you've received an email invitation to register. This email may have gone into your Junk inbox.

If you're a provider in one of these categories, your invitation to register will be sent to your email account registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) or the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA).

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