

Personal Protective Equipment for Medicare and Medicaid Nursing Homes

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WASHINGTON — Under the direction of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, FEMA will coordinate two shipments totaling a 14-day supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) to more than 15,400 Medicare and Medicaid-certified nursing homes across the Nation, including all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam.

By the beginning of July, each facility will receive two, separate packages containing a seven-day supply of eye protection, surgical masks, gowns, and gloves. Each package will be individualized for each nursing home based upon their level of staffing.

“I would like to extend my gratitude to the President for his leadership on this project, as well as to thank fellow members of the White House Coronavirus Task Force for their continued partnership,” said FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor. “Together, we have fulfilled a critical need for America’s seniors and frontline healthcare workers.”

The first shipments begin next week and will continue throughout May. These initial shipments will focus on metropolitan-area priority sites, such as New York City, Northern New Jersey, Boston, Chicago and Washington D.C. The second shipment of supplies will start at the beginning of June.

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