

Wisconsin Medical Stockpile Resources Available

State supply cache an additional resource to respond to rising influenza and RSV activity

Seasonal respiratory illness levels, [especially very high influenza and RSV rates](#), are driving increasing emergency department visits at hospitals across the state. This week Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalitions—[HERCs](#)—reminded their partners of a resource that may be of assistance in responding to a severe flu season.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) [Medical Stockpile](#) is a cache of state-owned medical surge supplies and personal protective equipment (PPE) including gloves, gowns, coveralls, face masks, face shields and N95 respirators.

To reduce inventory in preparation for Stockpile transition to long-term storage, some supplies are currently available at no cost to governmental agencies and non-profit entities.

To request supplies, DHS directs eligible facilities or agencies to use the most recent version of the [DHS Stockpile Request form, F-02825](#). The DHS Medical Stockpile may be accessed by governmental agencies, non-profit entities and non-profit and for-profit health care entities.

You can reach out the WHA's [Jon Hoelter](#) or [Ann Zenk](#) for questions about the DHS Medical Stockpile or any other emergency preparedness issue.

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