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**MINISTER'S ORDER & DIRECTION
TO PROVIDE INFORMATION
RESPECTING CRITICAL SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT**

**Issued under ss. 77.7.1(1) and 77.5(6) of the
HEALTH PROTECTION AND PROMOTION ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7 (the
"Act")**

DATE OF ISSUANCE: June 8, 2020

NOTE: This Order replaces the Order to provide information respecting supplies of personal protective equipment (PPE) issued by the Minister of Health under subsection 77.7.1(1) of the Act on March 27, 2020 (the "MARCH 27 ORDER").

**THE MARCH 27 ORDER IS REVOKED AND THE FOLLOWING ORDER AND DIRECTION IS
SUBSTITUTED:**

ISSUED TO:

- a. Public hospitals within the meaning of the *Public Hospitals Act*;
- b. Private hospitals within the meaning of the *Private Hospitals Act*;
- c. Psychiatric facilities within the meaning of the *Mental Health Act*;
- d. Independent health facilities within the meaning of the *Independent Health Facilities Act*;
- e. All ambulance services operating under the *Ambulance Act*;
- f. Long-term care homes under the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*;
- g. Service providers within the meaning of the *Home Care and Community Services Act, 1994*;
- h. Local health integration networks within the meaning of the *Local Health System Integration Act, 2006* in respect of the home and community care services they provide;
- i. Homes for special care within the meaning of the *Homes for Special Care Act*;
- j. All centres, programs or services for community health or mental health whose primary purpose is the provision of health care; and
- k. Retirement homes within the meaning of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010*.

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to subsection 77.7.1(1) of the Act, where the Minister of Health (the “Minister”) is of the opinion that there exists or may exist an immediate risk to the health of persons in Ontario from a new or emerging disease, the Minister may issue an order directing any health care provider or health care entity specified under subsection 77.7(6) of the Act to supply the Minister or her delegate with any information provided for in the order;
2. Under subsection 77.5(6) of the Act, the Minister may issue a direction requiring any person to provide such information as the Minister considers necessary in order to identify persons who may have medications and supplies (as defined in subsection 77.5(11) for the purposes of that section);
3. Having regard to the emergency declared by the Government of Ontario on March 17, 2020 under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* in response to the outbreak of COVID-19 in Ontario, I am of the view that there exists an immediate risk to the health of persons in Ontario from a new or emerging disease;
4. It is within the public interest to maintain a centralized repository of information respecting critical supplies and equipment, including PPE, to assist in ensuring that these supplies are made available where and when needed across the province;
5. On March 27, 2020, I issued an Order under subsection 77.7.1(1) of the Act to require the daily reporting of PPE inventory information by the providers listed in that Order (the “March 27 Order”); and
6. I now wish to revoke the March 27 Order and issue a new order and direction under subsections 77.7.1(1) and 77.5(6) of the Act to require the reporting of information respecting critical supplies and equipment in accordance with the requirements specified below.

I THEREFORE ORDER AND DIRECT, pursuant to my authority under subsections 77.7.1(1) and 77.5(6) of the Act, that:

- A. For the purposes of this Order and Direction, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

“**Critical Supplies and Equipment Reporting Website**” means the website maintained by Ontario Health at www.ontariohealth.ca/COVID-supplies.

“**Provider**” means:

- a. A public hospital within the meaning of the *Public Hospitals Act*;
- b. A private hospital within the meaning of the *Private Hospitals Act*;
- c. A psychiatric facility within the meaning of the *Mental Health Act*;
- d. An independent health facility within the meaning of the *Independent Health Facilities Act*;
- e. An ambulance service operating under the *Ambulance Act*;
- f. A long-term care home within the meaning of the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*;

- g. A service provider within the meaning of the *Home Care and Community Services Act, 1994*;
- h. A local health integration network within the meaning of *the Local Health System Integration Act, 2006* in respect of the home and community care services it provides;
- i. A home for special care within the meaning of the *Homes for Special Care Act*;
- j. A centre, program or service for community health or mental health whose primary purpose is the provision of health care; and
- k. A retirement home within the meaning of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010*.

“Required Information” means information relating to a Provider’s inventory of critical supplies and equipment that is specified on the Critical Supplies and Equipment Reporting Website, as may be amended from time to time.

- B. Ontario Health shall act as my delegate for the purposes of this Order and Direction.
- C. Providers shall submit the Required Information at the times and in the manner specified from time to time by Ontario Health on the Critical Supplies and Equipment Reporting Website. Ontario Health may specify different requirements for individual Providers or categories of Providers.
- D. Requirements respecting the frequency and manner of reporting, and the content of reports, may be modified from time to time. Ontario Health shall provide advance notice to Providers of changes to reporting requirements through the Critical Supplies and Equipment Reporting Website.

Questions about this Order and Direction should be directed to Ontario Health at COVIDsupplies@ontariohealth.ca.

This Order and Direction remains in force until revoked.

Dated at Toronto this 8th day of June 2020.

Original signed by

Christine Elliott
Minister of Health