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The Department of Developmental Services' Emergency Operations Center has secured Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) items for your Direct Support Professionals (DSP's).



***Kits will be made available for pick-up at four regional locations:**

Tuesday SEPT. 29th, from 9am to 1pm:

- 1) DDS East Hartford (155 Founders Plaza, East Hartford)
- 2) DDS Uncas on Thames Campus (401 W. Thames Street, Norwich)

Thursday OCT 1st, from 9am to 1pm:

- 1) DDS Ella Grasso Center (300 Armory Road, Stratford)
- 2) Southbury Training School (1461 South Britain Road, Southbury)

PLEASE NOTE:

These in person events are to receive both **Regular PPE kits** and Pre-ordered "**Specialty**" kits that are requested through the online process. COVID and/or RESPIRATORY "Specialty" kits must be requested through the online [EOR PPE process](#) and will be available at the designated in person sites that the EOR or their designee identifies on the request form. For Respiratory kits, EORs need to assure that the 3 OSHA requirements below can be met and if not the N95 masks will be replaced with the KN95 appropriate alternative equipment, as the KN95 does not require the following:

For Specialty Kits requiring N95 respirators the EOR must assure the following 3 questions are answered & met:

1. Can the EOR assure that the staff to use the N95 mask has had or will have a medical evaluation?
2. Can the EOR assure that they have a respiratory protection plan?
3. Can the EOR assure that the staff person has or will have a fit test with the specific type of N95 that is given to them?

See link: [PPE Letter to EORs 6-17-20](#) for more information on the DDS PPE process and explanation of the N95 use guidance. The person picking up the kits should show a copy or picture of this letter and give the name of the Employer of Record. The person picking up the kits must wear a mask at the time of pickup and should remain in their vehicle. Additional instructions will follow when they arrive.