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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** DMHAS Private Non-Profit Providers  
**From:** Miriam E. Delphin-Rittmon, Ph.D.  
**Date:** May 8, 2020  
**Subject:** DMHAS COVID-19 Provider Update #16

This is just a brief update to provide additional clarification regarding the Rapid Testing Site in New Haven and the process for obtaining priority access for private-not-for profits. These changes relate to a new pathway to obtain priority testing for PNP's. Our understanding is that these changes apply to symptomatic and asymptomatic staff. The changes are described in greater detail below.

**CVS Rapid Testing Site in New Haven**

Last week's update included information regarding the Rapid Testing Site in New Haven. As we have indicated previously, there are several routes providers can follow in order to secure testing for staff. The most direct still seems to be to go directly to the CVS Registration site which can be found at the following link: <https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing>. The other route involves using a spreadsheet that was sent out earlier this week. The change to the procedure appears to relate to securing priority access for asymptomatic staff. Please note that the basis related to modifications that union representatives were seeking for PNP's with union members.

**However, please note that these changes apply to all PNP's regardless of whether they have union staff members.** These changes are explained below.

A: PNP symptomatic staff – go to CVS website and sign up to get tested. Symptomatic staff qualify for priority access.

B: (1) PNP Asymptomatic staff – send spreadsheet of requests to DMHAS contact [yvonne.addo@ct.gov](mailto:yvonne.addo@ct.gov) to get approvals for testing

B: (2) PNP Asymptomatic union staff – send spreadsheet of requests to DMHAS contact or your designated union person to get approvals for testing

B: (3) PNP asymptomatic non-union staff – send spreadsheet of request to DMHAS contact (same as B1 above)

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I recognize that some of these processes may appear confusing and they keep evolving. If you have questions about the procedure, contact Yvonne Addo [yvonne.addo@ct.gov](mailto:yvonne.addo@ct.gov). Our goal is to ensure that all provider staff are able to access needed testing in the most rapid manner. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at [Miriam.Delphin-Rittmon@ct.gov](mailto:Miriam.Delphin-Rittmon@ct.gov) or Deputy Commissioner Nancy Navarretta via email at [Nancy.Navarretta@ct.gov](mailto:Nancy.Navarretta@ct.gov).