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## **MESSAGE: NOSM Support for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Learners in Community Settings**

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and dedication in supporting the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) and its placement of learners and residents in your community.

Key message (details below):

- NOSM will be able to provide either PPE shipped to your community or a subsidy to offset the extra cost of PPE.

It was recently brought to the attention of the Council of Ontario Universities that many non-hospital clinical placements would require learners and residents to come prepared with their own Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

In order to alleviate this urgent and critical need for the months of July and August, the Ministry of Colleges and Universities and the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS) have developed a process to provide PPE supplies directly to educational institutions, including NOSM.

To provide an appropriate supply of PPE for upcoming NOSM clinical placements at your facility **in July and August only**, please provide shipping information to [scheduling@nosm.ca](mailto:scheduling@nosm.ca) including:

- Contact name, phone number, email
- Shipping address (PO boxes are not acceptable for shipping)

An appropriate amount of PPE (based on number of learners) will be shipped directly from NOSM or the MGCS to the address provided. The type and quantities of PPE shipped may vary depending on the PPE supplied to NOSM by MGCS.

We are not sure how long after August the two Ministries will provide PPE for learners – if they are not able to provide PPE NOSM will provide a subsidy to each clinical setting based on the number of learners.

NOSM will continue to provide updates on the provision of PPE supplies or PPE subsidy to support the placement of learners and residents in your community on the NOSM COVID website **NOSM's Response to COVID-19** under "PPE for communities".

The PPE supply order for July 2020 has been approved by the MGCS and delivery dates of the PPE supplies will be confirmed when provided. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Grace Vita, Director Planning and Risk ([gvita@nosm.ca](mailto:gvita@nosm.ca)).