



Guide to local PPE Drives

Follow the [PPE guide for use of PPE](#). Also appropriately conserve PPE based on [evidence-based usage guidelines](#).

We hope PPE will become available in the near future from the MOH and your usual suppliers. However, in the meantime we need to fill the local PPE need. This is not meant to compete with existing local drives or anything underway by your regional PPE leads.

This guide is meant to supplement and support your local drives, particularly in those areas that have not started a drive. If you need help and advice, please contact your OMA Regional Manager or contact info@oma.org. Your OMA Regional Manager will liaise with your regional PPE leads.

1. **Ask members to complete and update their PPE needs [here](#).** We recognize that multiple different surveys have caused confusion. The OMA survey documents demand in the community and is the mechanism we will use to distribute PPE when we have it. We ask that you update your responses frequently. OMA will provide your region an up-to-date list of Doctors/nurses/clinic in critical need (along with contact information) in each district
2. **Create a local committee to find PPE.** Your district chair (or designate) should create a committee to find all available PPE in your community. Your OMA Regional Manager can help with organizing the committee.
3. **Find PPE locally.** Supply may come from clinics which have more than sufficient short-term supply, other clinicians that have PPE to spare (e.g. dentists, optometrists et.), and other industries. Many hospitals will have similar drives, ideally you should work together.
4. **Find a distribution hub.** In some cases, PPE may go directly from the supply (e.g. a dentist's office) to a clinical in need. In most cases however you will want to collect the PPE in central area. The PPE needs to go to a secure and dry area. Your Regional Manager will work with your Regional PPE Lead if they have identified a hub, a hub may exist on the basis of existing drives, or you can use one of the local **St. John Ambulance depots**. Please work with your Regional Manager if you would like to use your SJA local site. Report back which site(s) are in use.
5. **Create a local committee to decide where to distribute PPE.** Your district chair (or designate) should create a committee to distribute available PPE in your community. Your regional OMA manager can help with organization. The work can be informed by the [ethical guideline of the MOH](#).
6. **Distribute the PPE.** local volunteers such medical students etc. can be used to deliver the PPE to clinics using whatever means is locally available.
7. **Update the inventory information.** Remind physicians to go on the OMA's website, immediately following the receipt of PPE, to update their information.

- **Definition of PPE: Surgical/Procedure Masks, Gloves, Eye Shields, Goggles, Gowns, Hand Sanitizers, Cleaning Supplies**

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