Regional PPE Redistribution Leading Practices

Providers can create regional PPE and medical equipment trading partnerships that will allow a facility to lend and another to borrow urgently needed supplies during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Below is a short summary of how this can be accomplished.

Each participating organization has a customer support team that identifies and indicates their measures of readiness and needs. Each CST has a lead that meets regularly with the Regional Lead (to be chosen by full group) to validate each site’s inventory and determine what they can give and what they need.

Below is a breakdown of the process for a group that has already determined CST leads, forms of communication, deadlines, etc.

- Logistics status report updated daily by each facility
- Regional and facility leads meet daily to determine which facilities need what products
- Regional lead sends the PPE Need Directive to those facilities that have the needed products
- Facilities asking for supplies complete a form outlining exact needs based on certain set of thresholds, i.e. PPE dips below 50% or a 7 day supply
- Facilities sending equipment or supplies sends the logistics tracking number upon shipment within 24 hours or one (1) working day of request
- Receiving Facilities identifies received equipment in separate tracking device
- Receiving facilities inform Regional Lead of receipt
- Regional lead rebalances PPE to maximize facility critical PPE line reporting with a goal to achieve specific inventory requirements, i.e.