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# **PPE Supply Source**

The Medical Association has been working with Jason Allman who is a practice administrator in Huntsville and has potentially found a source for much needed PPE. In working with the Medical Association, Jason has offered to open his source up to physicians across the state who are in need. Below is a letter from Jason to the medical community that he has asked us to share:

Dear Medical Community,

I am writing today to inform you there is some light at the end of the tunnel. Like many of your practices and facilities, we have been struggling to get basic necessities in order to treat our patients safely. Items like masks, hand sanitizer, gowns, gloves, etc. Today, I am excited to inform you we have found a source for various medical supplies. If you are in need of supplies I will be happy to add you to our order.

Simply email me a list of supplies and quantities you are looking for and I will reply promptly.

Also, if you would like to speak with someone about your questions or concerns then add your contact name and direct number where you can be reached and we will call you back.

## Please contact me by email only.

Stay safe and good luck.

Sincerely,

### Jason Allman

Administrator

Primary Providers of Alabama

The Medical Association is trying to assist providers in finding and locating Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). However, it has no indirect or direct business or financial relationship with Mr. Allman or any others in the production or supply chain. The Medical Association makes no representation about, and is not responsible for, the quality of the goods or PPE provided and encourages physicians interested in PPE to discuss these issues when ordering.

PPE Donation Day April 13, 2020

# PPE DONATION DAY The Medical Association of the State of Alabama and our partner county medical societies are hosting a PPE donation day on April 13, 2020 at various locations around Alabama. The following items are being requested: N95 masks surgical masks surgical masks isolation gowns gloves face shields bleach wipes alcohol wipes hand sanitizer

The Medical Association of the State of Alabama and our partner county medical societies, in an effort to assist our member physicians and other healthcare professionals during the COVID-19 pandemic, are hosting a statewide PPE donation day on April 13, 2020 at various locations around Alabama. The public and businesses from around the state are encouraged to donate any extra PPE they might have to help our physicians on the front lines striving to help our sick and keep the virus from spreading.

See a Full List of Donation Sites Here

# Medical Association Sponsored Conference Calls Scheduled This Week

The Medical Association is working with some of our strategic partners to provide several updates next week regarding COVID-19 issues. These updates include the following:

1. Recording of conference call with State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris

alacovid19@gmail.com

Monday, April 6th at 7PM

2. Recording of conference call with Warren Averett to discuss SBA loans for physician practices

Tuesday, April 7th at 7PM
Download Handouts Here

3. Conference with coding expert Kim Huey to discuss Medicare Telehealth coding policy

Wednesday, April 8th at 7PM Dial in Number: 1-877-271-1828 Passcode: 750761

**Download Handouts Here** 

# CMS Approves Approximately \$34 Billion for Providers with the Accelerated/Advance Payment Program for Medicare Providers in One Week



The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has delivered nearly \$34 billion in the past week to the healthcare providers on the frontlines battling the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). The funds have been provided through the expansion of the Accelerated and Advance Payment Program to ensure providers and suppliers have the resources needed to combat the pandemic.

See the Full Alert Here

# **Drug Assistance Programs**

Pharmaceutical companies already have drug assistance programs in place, but many are creating new programs for COVID-19 specifically. Feel free to pass these links on to your patients who might need assistance.

# Astra Zeneca

Eli Lilly

<u>Ipsen</u>

Merck

Novo Nordisk

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