

**External Providers of Care including:
Care homes, Personal Assistants and others.**

From 3 August PPE will no longer be supplied by City of York Council to external providers of care except in emergencies. This reflects the situation nationally as PPE wholesalers come back on board and the Local Resilience Forum (LRF) plans to close.

In June the government opened a PPE portal for social care settings. Currently this portal accommodates small care homes of 24 beds or less and domiciliary providers of 99 clients or less. Data provided via CQC shows that the majority of our providers in York fit this description. It is anticipated that this portal will extend its reach to allow larger providers of care homes/domiciliary care to access emergency PPE.

The LRF is available for emergency supplies until 1 September, if you would like to access supplies via this route then please email:

covid19PPE@northyorks.gov.uk

If you need emergency supplies of PPE CYC will require the following information from you:

- The PPE items and quantities required
- The name of your normal supplier of PPE
- How many days PPE you currently have, and
- When you next expect a delivery of PPE.

Yorkshire Purchasing organisation has a dedicated section on their website for PPE which can be accessed from the home page (www.ypo.co.uk).

Advice and support on the use of PPE is still available and may be accessed by emailing PPE@York.gov.uk