

NOTICE

July 29, 2020



MEDICAL PPE: At this time, the NYS Stockpile is not providing COVID-19 emergency shipments of medical PPE for distribution. This is due to the availability of these items to be purchased and delivered within a reasonable amount of time. The shipments of medical PPE to county Emergency Management has always been on an emergency basis and usually distributed within 24 hrs to the agencies and organizations that needed it. Columbia County Emergency Management has not received medical PPE from NYS for many weeks.

HAND SANITIZER: Free hand sanitizer (provided by NYS) is handed out to municipal, private and nonprofit organizations on Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 9:00 am – 12:00 noon, at the Public Safety Facility (PSF 85 Industrial Tract, Hudson, NY 12534). No forms or pre-registration is needed. Just drive up to the front of the PSF on those mornings and you can pick up hand sanitizer for your organization. One authorized person can pickup hand sanitizer for two organizations. Hand Sanitizer can only be given to organizations from within Columbia County.

COVID-19 TEST KITS: Test kits received from NYS are given to the Columbia County Health Dept., who has held and continues to hold free COVID-19 testing clinics. In support of this program, Columbia County has purchased additional test kits with funds donated by county residents and organizations. The “turn around time” for test results is typically about two – five days, but can run longer depending on how busy the Wadsworth state laboratory is. Usually, test results from kits submitted to a private laboratory take significantly longer. Test kits for nursing homes are provided directly to the facility by NYS.