

## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:11 PM  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** Boychuk, Dave HLTH:EX; Ranta, Michelle HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: N95 Masks

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Moulton, Holly HLTH:EX"  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 at 14:58:14 PDT  
**To:** "Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX"  
**Cc:** "Pokorny, Peter HLTH:EX"  
**Subject:** FW: N95 Masks

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Thank you.

Holly

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**To:** BCPSA Agency DMC List  
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Hey Philip,

I just went down and chatted with Patti and Wayne, we are coordinating floors, I'm doing 4<sup>th</sup>, I've got my old co-workers on 7 doing that floor and Patti and Wayne working on the others, we'll get this done!

### Michelle Ranta

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We will action this directly, noting the DMP's request. Like most buildings, we are down to skeletal physical presence at 1515, so this may take slightly longer than it would under optimal conditions.

Dave

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Thanks. I'm surprised that we have N95 masks in the earthquake kits. They were only planned to be regular dust masks

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**From:** Patti Laanstra  
**Date:** Friday, March 27, 2020 at 3:30 PM  
**To:** Philip Twyford  
**Cc:** Dave Boychuk , "Ranta, Hlth:Ex"  
**Subject:** RE: N95 Masks

Hi Philip,

We do have staff on hand to support this request. And will action ASAP.

Many thanks,

**Patti Laanstra | A/Facilities Manager**

Facilities Management and Support Services  
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**Sent:** March 27, 2020 5:25 PM  
**To:** Crocker, Joel SDPR:EX; Owusu-Nyamekye, Kwabena CITZ:EX; Treloar, Jeff T MCF:EX; Chen-Mack, Betty AG:EX; Samis, Jordan CSNR:EX; Holt, Mike W MAH:EX; Carr, Stephanie AEST:EX; Akam, Shelly L FIN:EX; Edmonds, Bruce EDUC:EX; Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX; Miyoshi, Fiona TRAN:EX; Bates, Sheri MMHA:EX  
**Cc:** Coles, Tina I CSNR:EX; Turner, John CSNR:EX; Hamann, John CITZ:EX; Dye, Carrie CITZ:EX; Gene, Verna CITZ:EX; Taylor, Robert CITZ:EX; Springer, Michael CITZ:EX; Gullekson, Valerie CITZ:EX; Szczepanowski, Jesse CITZ:EX; Gorman, Kelley CITZ:EX  
**Subject:** FW: COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities  
**Attachments:** N95 Collection Location List.xlsx  
  
**Importance:** High

Hi all

Please see the urgent request for action below.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

John.

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**From:** Dhaliwal, Sunny CITZ:EX  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 5:15 PM  
**To:** ADMCS, Secretariat ACSS:EX ; Azam, Salman AG:EX ; Bain, Nancy TRAN:EX ; Bawa, Reg R EDUC:EX ; Boyd, Wes CSNR:EX ; Brewster, Kevin AEST:EX ; Byers, Rob A MCF:EX ; Curtis, David MAH:EX ; Dohan, Trish CSNR:EX ; Dube, Jonathan SDPR:EX ; Fischer, Carl M FIN:EX ; Harris, Colleen AEST:EX ; Kortum, Melissa FLNR:EX ; Landry, Dara M MMHA:EX ; Ma, Tiffany J FIN:EX ; Richmond, Bruce A PSA:EX ; Skinner, Dean C CITZ:EX ; Spaven, Teri FIN:EX ; Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX ; White, Joanna JEDC:EX ; Wood, Heather FIN:EX  
**Cc:** Schmidt, Tracee CITZ:EX ; Sadler, Bobbi CITZ:EX ; DeLarge, Lorne CITZ:EX ; Hammond, John G CITZ:EX ; St Hilair, Diane CITZ:EX ; Turner, Judy CITZ:EX ; Taylor, Graham CITZ:EX ; Gaber, Leon EMBC:EX  
**Subject:** COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities  
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Colleagues,

As many of you would be aware, front line health care workers across British Columbia are facing a shortage of personal protective equipment as the COVID-19 pandemic has increased demand around the world. We have directions from Don Wright and EMBC to collect the N95 masks that we have as part of our earthquake preparedness kits in each of our offices under our desks, and forward these to health authorities. There was a message which was sent by Don earlier to all the DMs and collection of masks in Victoria is already underway. I believe each ministry is collecting these and sending these to Don's office today for further distribution. While that work will continue today and the masks will be delivered as directed by Don, I'm requesting your assistance in collecting masks that may not be collected today or masks that are in the regional offices around the Province, as per the plan below:

- Please direct your Facilities Management Units to arrange collection of all the masks that are part of the earthquake preparedness kits under each desk as soon as possible, in all your ministry locations.
- In addition, if there are additional N95 masks that are stored centrally as part of earthquake kits, the same to be collected as well.
- The masks from each location be collected and shipped by BC Mail or courier to 4000 Seymour Place, Victoria BC V8X 4S7, by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March.
- CITZ will arrange collection of all the masks at 4000 Seymour Place and ship these to the required health authorities in coordination with the Ministry of Health and EMBC.
- As a first priority, please focus your efforts on the biggest buildings/locations as per the spreadsheet enclosed- the list has the biggest locations on top and then going down to smaller locations as you move down the list, broken down by each ministry, so that you can focus on those buildings which will yield us the maximum inventory, and then continue to collect the masks from all other locations.
- Please keep a track on approximate number of N95 masks your ministry/agency has provided, so that these can be replenished as and when the supply situation improves.

If there are any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Thanks

**Sunny Dhaliwal | Assistant Deputy Minister**

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**From:** Vincent, Wanda L VSA:EX  
**Sent:** March 30, 2020 9:25 AM  
**To:** Wallace, Wayne HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX; Shewchuk, Jack VSA:EX; Jennings, Suzanne VSA:EX; Spearman, Mark VSA:EX; Malovec, Anita HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Special Request from DM office - N95 masks Collected

Hi Wayne,

All the N95 masks from Vital Statistics have been collected and are in a box ready for pick up. We are at 818 Fort St.

Thank you,  
Wanda

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**Wanda Vincent,**  
**Regional Manager, Greater Vancouver & Sunshine Coast**  
Vital Statistics Agency  
Health Sector Information, Analysis and Reporting Division  
Ministry of Health  
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**Sent:** March 30, 2020 8:43 AM  
**To:** hlth VS Victoria ; hlth VS Contractors  
**Subject:** Special Request from DM office - N95 masks

We have been asked to collect all N95 masks that are in your emergency kit under your desk. For the staff that are here, could I please ask that you take the mask out of you kit for pick up? If you are not in the office, your mask will be taken from your kit.

Once I have all masks an employee from the Ministry of Heath Facilities Branch will pick them up.

Thank you for your assistance.

Wanda

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**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC  
**Date:** March 30, 2020 12:03:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Amendments in red!

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- tried to deliver the masks and the location was already closed
- collection continuing Monday from 1483 Douglas and the remaining floors of 1515 Blanshard
- goal shipping to 4000 Seymour on Monday by 2pm
- up to 700 more masks will be send to 4000 Seymour today

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Confirmed! Thanks again

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No problem Jen, can you confirm receipt of the amended version I sent moments later?  
Jen

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The remaining masks have been collected. Did you wish them delivered to 4000S? I know Jennifer Walker has also been arranging items.

Please advise.

BTW – we were able to locate 690 masks, and 2 3/4 boxes of latex gloves. Hand sanitizer delivery is expected this week, so we may be able to share those items once we see the quantity delivered.

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## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** March 30, 2020 2:35 PM  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX; Boychuk, Dave HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** Ranta, Michelle HLTH:EX; Pokorny, Peter HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** Re: COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities

Patti, great work.

Thank you and the team for crawling under desks and finding all these masks, I appreciate all that you have done through the COVID-19 work,

Philip

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**From:** Patti Laanstra  
**Date:** Monday, March 30, 2020 at 2:25 PM  
**To:** Philip Twyford , Dave Boychuk  
**Cc:** "Ranta, Hlth:Ex"  
**Subject:** RE: COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities

The remaining masks have been collected. Did you wish them delivered to 4000S? I know Jennifer Walker has also been arranging items.

Please advise.

BTW – we were able to locate 690 masks, and 2 3/4 boxes of latex gloves. Hand sanitizer delivery is expected this week, so we may be able to share those items once we see the quantity delivered.

Many thanks,

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 6:12 PM  
**To:** Boychuk, Dave HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** Ranta, Michelle HLTH:EX ; Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** FW: COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities  
**Importance:** High

Dave, I understand that staff have collected nearly 500 masks. Michelle tried to deliver the masks this evening and the location was already closed. Please arrange for collection to continue on Monday, esp from 1483 Douglas and the remaining floors of 1515 Blanshard, and to have them shipped to 4000 Seymour on Monday. I'd like to ensure that they arrive by 2pm.

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**To:** Crocker, Joel SDPR:EX; Owusu-Nyamekye, Kwabena CITZ:EX; Treloar, Jeff T MCF:EX; Chen-Mack, Betty AG:EX; Samis, Jordan CSNR:EX; Holt, Mike W MAH:EX; Carr, Stephanie AEST:EX; Akam, Shelly L FIN:EX; Edmonds, Bruce EDUC:EX; Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX; Miyoshi, Fiona TRAN:EX; Bates, Sheri MMHA:EX  
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**Subject:** RE: COVID- 19: Collection of N95 Masks for Health Authorities  
**Importance:** High

Hi.

Thanks for all your contributions to date and please keep them coming. Special thanks to TRAN, HLTH, EDUC, CITZ, ENV and FIN who have already sent their supplies to 4000 Seymour.

To confirm, please ship to 4000 Seymour Place, Victoria BC V8X 4S7, c/o Mailroom. We have staff in place at that location who will collect, sort and reship as directed by EMBC and others.

If you have shipped masks to another location, please confirm where along with the number sent.

Thanks.

John.

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**Importance:** High

Hi all

Please see the urgent request for action below.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

John.

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**From:** [Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX](#)  
**To:** [Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: PRIORITY: Shipping COVID critical supplies to PHSA & Status update  
**Date:** April 1, 2020 9:56:00 AM

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OK great, I will confirm that the Monday effort (including the gloves and additional masks that went to 400 Seymour) is where we got.

I will loop back with Philip to confirm that other buildings have been asked to contribute – unless you know that answer.

j

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**From:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX <[Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 1, 2020 9:38 AM  
**To:** Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX <[Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: PRIORITY: Shipping COVID critical supplies to PHSA & Status update

Facilities has no other supplies to provide.

Many thanks,

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**From:** Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX <[Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 1, 2020 9:22 AM  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX <[Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: PRIORITY: Shipping COVID critical supplies to PHSA & Status update  
**Importance:** High

FYI we may need an update sooner than expected.

j

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**From:** Gaber, Leon EMBC:EX <[Leon.Gaber@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leon.Gaber@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 1, 2020 8:30 AM  
**Subject:** PRIORITY: Shipping COVID critical supplies to PHSA & Status update

**Importance:** High

Good morning everyone. Further to the effort to redistribute critical PPE supplies from our ministry buildings and non-essential operations from our partners/stakeholders can you please arrange for those supplies to be delivered as soon as possible directly to PHSAs warehouse in Langley.

The address is: 8521 198A Street, Langley, BC V2Y 0A1

Further, Don Wright is expecting a full update on our progress to identify these critical PPE items and recall those from non-essential services. Therefore, we will be contacting you shortly to get a current status update and will require:

- 1) a full list of the institutions/organizations that were contacted and on what date
- 2) the items that have been identified to date (by organization/institution)

thanks

Leon

**Leon Gaber**

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**From:** Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX; Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** HECC Logistics HLTH:EX; Wood, Susan D HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC  
**Date:** April 1, 2020 10:29:00 AM  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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Fantastic, thanks Patti!

I will make sure that any update you can provide (#s, items) reaches EMBC.

Jen

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**From:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX <Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** April 1, 2020 10:21 AM  
**To:** Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX <Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca>; Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX <Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** HECC Logistics HLTH:EX <HECC.LOGISTICS@gov.bc.ca>; Wood, Susan D HLTH:EX <Susan.Wood@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC

All Victoria locations have been captured in the request, in addition 700 W Pender is mailing their masks to the Langley address provided (earlier email). I will reach out to the other locations, and request the same action be taken.

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Hello again Philip,

**EMBC has asked this morning for us to expedite this reply.**

Can you tell me if any additional Ministry buildings have responded to this request?

We have only been able to report on the work at 1515 Blanshard and 1483 Douglas so far and need to add to this today.

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Leased	BURNABY	4170 Still Creek Dr.	Office	1,588.65	HEALTHLINK BC
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**Cc:** Walker, Jennifer HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC

LOCATION	STAFF @ LOCATION	CANVASSED
700 W PENDER	3-4 STAFF	YES – 40 MASKS
4170 Still Creek Dr.	HLBC – 100+	YES – 0 N95s AVAILABLE
9440 202nd St.	HLBC – 100+	YES – 0 N95s AVAILABLE
9440 202nd St.	HLBC – 100+	YES – 0 N95s AVAILABLE
5785 Duncan St.	1 POSSIBLY	NO
4603 Kingsway	3	YES – 14 MASKS
VSA – VANCOUVER	0	YES - Unknown
VSA – KELOWNA	Unknown	YES - Unknown

Many thanks,

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Please let me know how many people we have at these locations and if they have been canvassed for masks.

thanks

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**From:** Jennifer Walker <[Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jennifer.7.Walker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 1, 2020 at 10:07 AM  
**To:** Philip Twyford <[Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Patti Laanstra <[Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca)>, "HECC Logistics HLTH:EX" <[HECC.LOGISTICS@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HECC.LOGISTICS@gov.bc.ca)>, "Wood, Susan D HLTH:EX" <[Susan.Wood@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Wood@gov.bc.ca)>  
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Hello again Philip,

**EMBC has asked this morning for us to expedite this reply.**

Can you tell me if any additional Ministry buildings have responded to this request?

We have only been able to report on the work at 1515 Blanshard and 1483 Douglas so far and need to add to this today.

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**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC  
**Date:** April 1, 2020 1:29:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Awesome and no problem – I will update!

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**Subject:** RE: MoH update: inventory and request for critical supplies across BC

I just found out we have 2 boxes of latex gloves and additional 15 masks from Vancouver in tomorrow's mail.

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## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**Sent:** April 1, 2020 1:51 PM  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: REQUEST FROM DM: N95 Masks from PPE

Hi Patti, both the Kelowna and Vancouver Vital Stats offices will mail the masks as requested.

Thanks  
Wanda

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**Sent:** April 1, 2020 10:37 AM  
**To:** Cardwell, James HLBC:EX ; Craig, Elinor HLTH:EX ; Vincent, Wanda L VSA:EX  
**Cc:** Comeau, Francois HLTH:EX  
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**Cc:** Comeau, Francois HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: REQUEST FROM DM: N95 Masks from PPE

28 masks and 2 boxes of gloves going out in tomorrow's mail to the address below – in 2 blue inter-office bags.

*Elinor Craig  
Investigations Clerk  
Ministry of Health - Eligibility, Compliance & Enforcement Unit  
#310 – 4603 Kingsway  
Burnaby BC V5H 4M4  
Phone (604) 660-2406 Fax (604) 660-3083*

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## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**From:** Ranta, Michelle HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** April 3, 2020 1:33 PM  
**To:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Cc:** Ryall, Karen HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** FW: N95 mask from earthquake kit messaging  
**Attachments:** N95 earthquake messaging 2APR2020\_er.docx

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Hi Philip,

Please see below/attached for the internal comms edited messaging around N95 masks. They have suggested you send this out, however, as it was a Government wide ask not a FCS specific one, I feel it could come from internal comms or elsewhere in CICR/OD.

If you could please advise how you want to proceed?

Thank you kindly,  
Michelle

### Michelle Ranta

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**Sent:** April 3, 2020 1:26 PM  
**To:** Ranta, Michelle HLTH:EX <[Michelle.Ranta@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michelle.Ranta@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: N95 mask from earthquake kit messaging

Hi Michele,

See below and attached for a revised message from comms. Erin's advice is that Philip can send this directly, and they will post to Health ePlace as soon as they see it.

Let me know how you and Philip would like to proceed.

Dave

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**Sent:** April 3, 2020 1:17 PM  
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Hi Dave – thanks again for looping me in. I've made some edits to simplify the message – see attached. I've also included a clean version below. Philip should now have access to the distribution list for all employees: HLTH All MOH Employees

My team will post the message on Health ePlace as soon as we see it in our inboxes.

Let me know if you need further assistance!

Cheers, Erin

Hello everyone,

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Because of the urgent nature of this action, some workspaces may have been slightly disturbed when the masks were retrieved. Thank you for your understanding! The masks will be replaced as soon as a supply is available for this purpose.

This health emergency requires extraordinary measures in what is certainly an unusual time. Thank you for doing all that you can to support our fellow British Columbians.

Take care,  
Philip

**From:** [Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX](#)  
**To:** [HLTH All MOH Employees](#)  
**Subject:** N95 masks from earthquake kit  
**Date:** April 7, 2020 3:35:42 PM

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Facilities staff went to each workspace and removed the earthquake kits to check for masks. As a result, some workspaces may have been slightly disturbed when the masks were retrieved. Staff placed the earthquake kits on the floor, and did not reattach them to desks and other surfaces, so we can replenish the kits when a supply is available for this purpose.

Thank you for your understanding,

Philip

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## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**From:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** April 7, 2020 3:55 PM  
**To:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: N95 masks from earthquake kit

HLTH provided 1265 masks and 5 boxes of latex gloves.

Many thanks,

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**Sent:** April 7, 2020 3:54 PM  
**To:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** FW: N95 masks from earthquake kit

How many masks did we contribute from health?

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**From:** "Shields, Sara HLTH:EX" <[Sara.Shields@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sara.Shields@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 3:52 PM  
**To:** Philip Twyford <[Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: N95 masks from earthquake kit

Hello Philip,  
That is just fantastic.  
Out of curiosity, how many masks were you able to free up?  
Sara

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX <[Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 7, 2020 3:36 PM  
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## Polkinghorne, Elise HLTH:EX

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**From:** Dutt, Shyla PSA:EX  
**Sent:** April 7, 2020 4:40 PM  
**To:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: N95 masks from earthquake kit

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No problem. I will head into the office sometime soon to see if there are any.

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX <Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** April 7, 2020 4:37 PM  
**To:** Dutt, Shyla PSA:EX <Shyla.Dutt@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Laanstra, Patti HLTH:EX <Patti.Laanstra@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: N95 masks from earthquake kit

Thanks Shyla, Patti will happily take them off your hands. We are fortunate in BC that we have been able to flatten the curve to date, and it's commitment like yours that makes that difference.

Philip

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**From:** "Dutt, Shyla PSA:EX" <Shyla.Dutt@gov.bc.ca>  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 4:32 PM  
**To:** Philip Twyford <Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: N95 masks from earthquake kit

Hi Philip – I just wanted to express my appreciation of this initiative and demonstration of how we all pull together as one big community in times of national crises. For myself, if I come across any more of these masks, I undertake to bring them to Facilities staff. Thank you again.

Shyla Dutt

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**From:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX <Philip.Twyford@gov.bc.ca>  
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**From:** Phillips, Kathy HLTH:EX  
**Sent:** April 8, 2020 8:12 AM  
**To:** Twyford, Philip HLTH:EX  
**Subject:** RE: N95 masks from earthquake kit

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I certainly hope we don't have an earthquake at this time!

Thank you,

*Kathy Phillips*

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