



PHG COVID-19 Update: June 10

Dear Valued Providers

We want to be a resource to our Premier Health Group Independent providers. As planning is underway for expanding access to health care services, we want to provide clinical information and operational updates to help you plan for re-entry.

In addition, we have created a resources page on the [PHG website](#).

Please feel free to contact us directly at **(937) 499-7441** with any questions you might have or if you would like to speak with our Medical Director, Scott Swabb, DO.

Yours sincerely,

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Action Required - Provider Screenings at Premier Health Hospital Entrances

Even though the COVID-19 pandemic numbers have stabilized in our region, the screening of visitors, employees, and medical staff entering our facilities will be required moving forward for an undetermined period of time. We have created a new process for physician and APP screening.

This is a two-step process. This process will require that you attest to self-monitoring and complete the three-question survey.

1. [Read the attestation](#)
AND
2. [Take the survey](#)

If you have already completed the above two steps, please disregard the request.

If you are already on the medical staff, there is no need to sign the form. The signature spot is for new physicians/APPs coming on staff on initial application. You only need to complete the survey that will capture names for our compliance counts. The attestation will be sent out quarterly to be renewed for regulatory purposes. It will be important that we achieve approximately a 90% response rate every quarter for this process to have long term success at meeting regulatory expectations.

You may not encounter a screener at entrances that require a badge. You may still use that entrance. Please note that more badged entrances will be opened as response to the survey improves. However, if you do encounter a screener, please comply with the questions, as the pace of removing screeners from these badge entrances may not be consistent at all campuses and entities. We please ask for your patience as we work through a two-week transition.



CompuNet Updates

[Please read the latest updates from CompuNet](#) regarding the following topics:

- UD Collection Center testing, focus change and, new hours
- Patient Service Center (PSC) Saturday hour change
- How PSCs work to keep your patients safe
- How to order lab supplies online

CMS Telehealth Waiver

We have been receiving questions regarding when CMS will no longer cover telehealth services under the waiver for the Public Health Emergency (PHE) and want to provide information regarding this. CMS has not declared the PHE to be over or announced a date of when coverage will end. Until a date is determined CMS will continue to cover the telehealth waiver through the end of the PHE period. **Please be aware that many payers have set an effective date for how long telehealth services will be covered.** Please reach out to the payor for the most up-to-date information.



Premier Health Group is continuing to try and assist with obtaining PPE for our community partners

Public Health Department

Public Health has a limited supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from federal, state and local resources. Most of these assets were initially targeted for first responder organizations, however we now have some available to support Responsible Restart Ohio. These resources are available for our Montgomery County healthcare partners.

Available PPE inventory includes the following:

- N95 Respirators
- Face Shields
- Surgical Masks
- Gloves

Please click on the following link to submit your request: <https://surveys.phdmc.org/s3/COVID-19-EOC-Resource-Request>

Please Note: while every effort will be made to fulfill all requests, due to the number of requests we may receive, we cannot guarantee that all requests will be met.

Action Required: the only action required is accessing the above link and submitting a request for PPE if there is a need.

For more information: Contact **Larry Cleek** at **(937) 225-4483** for additional information on PPE.

Steck Medical

Premier Health has procured a local distributor to help acquire PPE. Steck Medical, a local distributor, has developed a process to secure PPE from a local source that offers both ordering and fulfillment. [Click here for more information.](#)