



**Medical Devices Criticality Assessment Group
Monday, 20th April 2020.**

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- Ventilators:
 - HSE is now satisfied that the gap between the current stock of ventilators and estimated requirements in the event of a surge scenario will be bridged through existing supply lines; no longer sourcing new ventilators. The focus will now instead be on delivery of existing orders.
 - No requirement for new supply lines for ventilators, including those in the field of innovative devices. HSE not planning on using ventilators of novel design.
- CRRT machines to be held centrally by HSE in order to manage storage and distribution.
- Prioritisation on opening new supply lines of reagents to continue, in order to service increase in testing recommended by NPHE.
- Gloves: new supply line from international supplier is in the process of being secured.
- Gowns: demand continues to be serviced in the short-term, but work ongoing to establish medium and long-term security of supply.
 - In order to strengthen supply, private sector innovation is ongoing, with materials being key to progressing production.
- Masks:
 - A domestic company is producing FFP2 masks. Supply lines will need to be broadened to address over-reliance on this producer.
 - Supplies of FFP2/3 masks are sufficient to meet ongoing needs.
- Syringe drivers: hospitals remain fully serviced and current procurement efforts are to provide contingency supplies.