

Care Provider Survey Summary – Assisted Living

Overview

- 114 respondents over a 7 hour period on Friday, April 10, 2020 during COVID 19 pandemic
- Respondents are non-profit and private assisted living organizations that serve seniors
- Some organizations also provide home support, long term care and community living services
- Respondents come from each of BC’s five health regions: Fraser (48); Vancouver Coastal (12); Vancouver Island (23); Interior (27); North (4)
- Two questions asked:
 1. **Is your organization experiencing a critical shortage of personal protective equipment? Yes or no?**
 2. **How many days supply do you have for surgical masks, N-95 masks, exam gloves, eye protection, hand sanitizer and protective gowns?**

RESULTS

Question One: *Is your organization experiencing a critical shortage of personal protective equipment?*

- Yes - **70%**
- No – **30%**

Question Two: *How many days supply do you have for the following critical supplies?*

ITEM	0 DAYS	1-3 DAYS	4-7 DAYS	8+ DAYS
Surgical Masks	12%	23%	38%	27%
N-95 Masks	47%	21%	18%	13%
Exam Gloves	3%	13%	31%	54%
Eye Protection	15%	30%	26%	29%
Hand Sanitizer	4%	23%	35%	38%
Protective Gowns	7%	37%	33%	23%

“LOWLIGHTS”

- **70%** of surveyed assisted living providers say they are experiencing a critical shortage of personal protective equipment
- **68%** say they have no N-95 masks (**47%**) or only have enough to last up to three days (**21%**)
- **45%** say they have no eye protection equipment (**15%**) or expect to be out by end of the long weekend (**30%**)
- **73%** expect to run out of surgical masks by the end of next week; **35%** expect to run out this long weekend
- **62%** expect to run out of hand sanitizer by the end of next week
- **44%** of assisted living providers have three days or less worth of gowns; **23%** more have only enough to last up to a week
- **46%** expect to run out of exam gloves by the end of next week