

**ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL RACINE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
AND THE CITY OF RACINE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Effective: March 23, 2020

Pursuant to Chapter 252 of the Wisconsin Statutes

WHEREAS, Emergency medical services (EMS) play a vital role in responding to requests for assistance, triaging patients, and providing emergency medical treatment and transport for ill persons; and


WHEREAS, unlike with patient care in the controlled environment of a healthcare facility, care and transports by EMS present unique challenges because of the nature of the setting, enclosed space during transport, frequent need for rapid medical decision-making, interventions with limited information, and a varying range of patient acuity and jurisdictional healthcare resources; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to protect EMS providers so they may continue to safely respond to calls for assistance during the state of emergency relating to the COVID-19 outbreak;

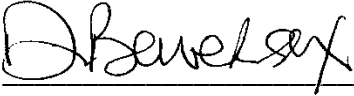
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that until further notice, ALL first responders and emergency medical services personnel shall be required to wear personal protective equipment when responding to all health emergency calls including those requesting assistance at long-term care facilities, and nursing homes. Personal protective equipment at a minimum shall include face masks, goggles, and gloves.

Dated this 23 day of March, 2020,

**IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL RACINE COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND CITY OF PUBLIC RACINE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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