COVID-19 Survey of Primary Care Clinicians and Patients
Topic: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

What does it mean to lack PPE?

60% have PPE limitations

1 in 4 say masks are hard to come by

1 in 5 say gowns are hard to obtain

1 in 3 have limited or no access

1 in 5 clinicians say they...

have had to purchase PPE at an extremely high price

are not able to test patients for COVID-19 because of limited PPE

are limiting patient volume because of limited PPE

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Results from surveys conducted by www.green-center.org, in partnership with www.pcpcc.org and www.3rdconversation.org.

Shortages in PPE have improved little over the last several months:

Consistently over 50% with almost no improvement over 14 weeks

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Availability of PPE differs by setting and geographic region; percent of practices lacking PPE:

Clinicians have provided care while facing a constant shortage in PPE.

Regional variations +/- percentage points
June 5-8 Survey: 48% on average lacked PPE

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