

## Kim, Sabrina

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**From:** Stickney, Matt  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2020 4:31 PM  
**To:** Kim, Sabrina  
**Cc:** Theis, Rick; Deagle, Jordan  
**Subject:** Re: Thoughts on these procurement updates?

For tomorrow. I think we just go with NB and testing.

I'm nervous to touch swabs as we're still asking for help internationally and don't want to signal we're good.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 14, 2020, at 3:12 PM, Kim, Sabrina <Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Let me know which ones you think might be good for comms so I can poke around & get confirmation.

- 1) PHAC is supporting COVID-19 testing across the country by supplying testing reagents to laboratories. We have contracted with Luminultra in New Brunswick to keep provincial laboratories supplied with reagent so they can increase their testing capacity. This week, Luminultra will be providing enough reagent for 500,000 tests per week.
  - Sounds like we're good for this one. ☺ Maybe we ask DPMO to give Higgs a heads up given what Chris Fox said the other day about provincial pride & comms alignment.
- 2) ISED's call to action has received 5409 companies who have put their hands up to help – there have been 5351 callbacks in total.
  - This is from today's daily COVID update from officials to the DPM. If you want to include – maybe we also say – We're signed (x) LOIs & (y) contracts with domestic suppliers.
- 3) PSPC Buy & Sell website has gotten (x) potential suppliers, and we have signed (y) contracts from this.
  - If you think this is good for comms I can poke & fill in the blanks.
- More than 20 apparel firms are bringing workers back to make millions of medical gowns using these alternative fabrics
  - This was in PCO's little slideshow today. If you like, I can get more info.
- I see this from PCO today on swabs – let me know if you think it's good to have & I'll triple check w folks that we're good to use:
  - 282,300 additional swabs have been received in Canadian warehouses, with delivery of additional orders expected in the coming days.

- As of this morning (April 14), Cardinal Health Canada has begun delivering orders of swabs to provinces and territories in batches from the company's eight regional warehouses across the country.
- A separate order of 100,000 swabs from US-based Puritan Medical Products is expected to arrive in Canada tomorrow.

Thanks ☺

Sabrina

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