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RE: Free HEPA Air Purifier Units

Long-Term Care Infection Preventionists:

As a supplement to current infection prevention and control measures, Kentucky Department for Public Health, Healthcare-Associated Infection/Antibiotic Resistance Prevention Program (HAI/AR) is offering a limited number of high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filtration units to LTC facilities free of charge. They are portable, free-standing, plug-in units (120V) that require no installation and only minor maintenance. Five replacement filter packs will be included with each HEPA unit to sustain approximately 2 years of use. The HEPA air purifiers can be used in common areas where residents and staff congregate.

The HEPA units are certified to remove > 99.95% of sub-micron particles from the air and each unit will perform approximately 4 to 5 air changes per hour to improve air quality in its operational area. We are offering KY Long-Term Care facilities 2 to 3 HEPA units, each with 2 years of replacement filters, as an additional infection prevention and control tool to help decrease respiratory infection risks.

The Medify Air MA-1400 PRO can clean an area of 2200 square feet every 15 minutes (given normal room heights). More detailed unit specifications are included on the order form linked here:

[https://redcap.link/ky\\_ltc\\_hepa](https://redcap.link/ky_ltc_hepa) or use the QR code below to access our REDCap order form.

The units, purchased with funds from a CDC grant, will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Orders will be accepted through December 15, 2023. The units will be shipped directly from the manufacturer.

If you have questions or require additional information, feel free to contact us at [KDPHHEPA@ky.gov](mailto:KDPHHEPA@ky.gov).

Sincerely,

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**Our Vision:** Healthier People, Healthier Communities.

**Our REACH Values:** Responsiveness Equity Accountability Collaboration Honesty

