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Dear Medical Providers-

Thank you for your continued service and dedication to Tennesseans as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. I appreciate your ongoing commitment to providing the needed treatment and solutions to patients during these challenging times. As shared in recent communications, the supply of monoclonal antibody (mAb) available to states has tightened across the country over the last few weeks. States were tasked with the distribution of mAb last week without historical or prospective information to inform those decisions.

As a result of these changes, providers who are currently administering mAb, or who wish to do so in the future, should request product on-line at: <https://redcap.link/TDH-mAb>. Each week, as soon as the state's supply of mAb is known, we will work to allocate it out to providers who request it. It is very important to understand that unfortunately, because of restrictions on supply during this period, we will likely not be able to fill all orders fully, and in some instances, at all. A map of providers who receive mAb each week will be available at: <https://covid19.tn.gov/antibody-infusion-locations/>.

As a reminder, at this time mAb may not be used for post-exposure prophylaxis. For those with confirmed COVID infection, priority should be given to those at highest risk of progression to severe disease. These criteria are outlined by the NIH at: <https://www.covid19treatmentguidelines.nih.gov/therapies/statement-on-the-prioritization-of-anti-sars-cov-2-mono-clonal-antibodies/>. Of note, these guidelines do not exclude vaccinated individuals from consideration for treatment. However, in most cases vaccinated individuals are at far lower risk of severe disease, and this should be taken into consideration by providers when availability of product is limited.

This is an evolving situation, and we will keep partners updated as things change. Thank you again for your work to provide this life-saving resource to Tennesseans.

Sincerely,

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