Today, a new Showcase has been added to the RealSource homepage, titled “Internal Ordering Websites.” The Showcase will expand over time to include hyperlinks to university ordering systems that function outside of RealSource. The first Tile added is called “Researcher PPE Only.”

To ease the transition for Researchers to return to their labs, Procurement Services and The VCU Supply Center have join forces to centralize the ordering of supplemental PPE supplies for research laboratory use only. We realize research labs use PPE every day, including masks, gloves, disinfectants, wipes, etc. Since COVID19, PPE is on allocation and may not be available through your normal suppliers. Until the supply chain returns to normal, the VCU Supply Center may be able to supplement your needs on a limited basis.

Orders for research lab PPE can be placed through The VCU Supply Center, via the RAMS-FORCE system. For ordering instructions and the hyperlink to RAMS-FORCE, simply click on the “Research PPE Only” Tile in the Internal Ordering Websites showcase. Please note, the use of RAMS-FORCE to purchase PPE is strictly limited to meeting the needs of our researchers in the labs. COVID-19 kits for returning employees or other university needs are not covered by RAMS-FORCE.

Before accessing RAMS-FORCE, read all of the materials behind the Tile before clicking the yellow RAMS-FORCE login button. Orders placed through RAMS-FORCE are not pushed to or managed within RealSource.

Please stay safe everyone,
The Supply Center and Procurement Services Teams