

Reprocessing of N95 masks, P-100 respirators and CAPRs

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A. N95 masks and P-100 respirators

1. This is a very important step to significantly prolong our N95 supply.
2. If you are using an N95 or P-100, write your name and contact number on the mask with a sharpie before donning.
3. At end of the day, place your N95 or P-100 in a brown paper bag with your full name and "ANES Main OR" written on the mask and bag.
4. Place the bag in blue container in room **B-1607 (near OR 16)**. There will be a marker and paper bags in that room.
5. The masks will be returned to the clinical coordinator's office in a clear plastic or white bag with the name and department outside (or visible from outside).
6. If not damaged, N-95s may be reprocessed up to 20 times. Add a tally mark to your mask each time reprocessed.
7. The clean mask may not be returned until **after** the next morning. Therefore if you are working consecutive days, please consider the following:
 - a. If using N95, you will need to alternate 2 masks.
 - b. If using P-100, reprocessing is only recommended approximately every week. The masks may be cleaned with disinfectant wipes at the end of each day. Reprocessing may be used when you are not scheduled to do clinical work the following day.

B. CAPR Face Shields

1. Face Shields are dedicated to a single provider. Please label with name and department of anesthesiology.
2. Re-use between patients:
 - a. Remove gowns and gloves per usual PPE removal protocol
 - b. Perform hand hygiene
 - c. Exit room
 - d. Perform hand hygiene and put on clean gloves
 - e. Remove CAPR and shield
 - f. Wipe down with hospital disinfectant
 - g. Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene
3. At conclusion of shift:
 - a. Perform hand hygiene
 - b. Don clean gloves
 - c. Remove shield from helmet
 - d. Wipe down inside of shield and inside plastic chin cuff
 - e. Remove gloves

- f. Perform hand hygiene
- g. Allow to dry completely
- h. Perform hand hygiene
- i. Put on clean gloves
- j. Wipe down outside of shield with hospital disinfecting wipes
- k. Remove gloves
- l. Perform hand hygiene