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SPECIAL EDITION: Reuse and Disinfection of Respiratory Protection

Hospitals are experiencing severe shortages of respiratory protection. At Rochester Regional Health, staff need to follow guidance on the COVID-19 Toolkit. This brief list highlights guidance from national associations as well as current protocols shared by healthcare organizations using best available evidence to guide practice during the COVID-19 crisis.

- Association for Professionals in Infection Control. APIC Position Paper: Extending the Use and/or Reusing Respiratory Protection in Healthcare Settings during Disasters (2009)
- CDC. Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of N95 Respirators: Crisis/Alternate Strategies (2020)
- National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. Recommended Guidance for Extended Use and Limited Reuse of N95 Filtering Facepiece Respirators in Healthcare Settings
- Stanford University. Addressing COVID-19 Face Mask Shortages (2020)

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