

BFR EMS Operational Changes

N95 Mask Operations:



- Lead Medic will don N95 mask prior to any pt. contact and continue to wear for the duration of the call
- Re-usable face shield is recommended over N95 mask as the first line protection from droplets
- Reusable face shields can be cleaned with disinfecting wipes and reused
- Lead Medic should discard N95 and get a new one after every patient
- N95 mask can be reused for the duration of a tour, but must be discarded in the following situations:
 - Discard N95 respirators following use during aerosol generating procedures.
 - Discard N95 respirators contaminated with blood, respiratory or nasal secretions, or other bodily fluids from patients.
 - Discard N95 respirators following close contact with patient with flu like symptoms or suspected COVID-19 positive
 - Discard N95 mask if it is obviously damaged or becomes hard to breathe through
- Perform hand hygiene with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer before and after touching or adjusting the respirator (if necessary for comfort or to maintain fit).



- If we run out of blue N95 masks and we start using these N95 masks, they ARE NOT reusable. Please dispose after EVERY call.