



# Respiratory Protection Protocol: Health, Safety, and Environmental Protection for Airborne Infectious Agents and Aerosolized Hazardous Drugs Protocols

## **Policy**

1. The Johns Hopkins Emergency Response Organization (HERO) will provide Respiratory Protection Devices, specifically N-95 masks, for use of on-call membership who may be exposed to airborne or aerosolized infectious agents or drugs.

## **Responsibilities**

1. It will be the responsibility of the Equipment Officer to ensure that proper N-95 masks are properly stocked and available for all on-scene crews.
2. It will be the responsibility of the Training Officer and any dedicated Fit Testing Trainers to ensure the membership is properly trained and fitted for N-95 masks annually and upon becoming an active member on HERO.
3. It will be the responsibility of the Personnel officer to maintain records of all members who have been fit tested.
4. It will be the responsibility of the membership to ensure he/she is aware of the proper N-95 mask, fitted by a designated Fit Testing Trainer.

## **General Information**

1. All active membership must be fit-tested at least annually with an N-95 respirator.

## **Education and Training**

1. It will be the responsibility of the Training Officer to ensure all active members on HERO are properly trained and are aware of when to use N-95 masks.
2. For all members, information on the use of respiratory protection will be incorporated in the required introduction onto HERO.