



## All Clinical Department/Program(s) Elastomeric Half Facepiece Respirators May 13, 2020

<b>What's New?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• *Updated* EHFR Procedure to reflect changes to workflows for EHFR, including distribution, delivery, cleaning, storage, and return.</li> <li>• *New* EHFR Donning/Doffing Checklist</li> <li>• *New* EHFR Eduquick to support education on use of EHFR</li> <li>• *New* video links to for inspection of the mask, attachment of filters, and seal checks</li> </ul>
<b>Why?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EHFRs will be worn for airborne precautions by staff who are not able to fit a N95 mask, staff who wear a N95 mask that is not in stock, or in <i>designated areas</i> to preserve N95 supplies.</li> <li>• EHFRs must be kept with the health care provider, to allow health care providers to keep their designated EHFR secure and easily identifiable</li> <li>• EHFR must be completely dry before placing into storage bag to prevent transmission of illness and protect equipment integrity.</li> </ul>
<b>How does this affect my practice?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Let EHFR stand to air-dry for 10 minutes before placing in storage bag</li> <li>• EHFR to be clipped to uniform or pocket between uses</li> <li>• Fit testing for EHFR for staff in designated areas</li> </ul>
<b>How do I find out more?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See ePOPS to review the updated Elastomeric Half Facepiece Respirators Procedure (“Routine &amp; Additional Precautions” section)</li> <li>• See ePOPS for education resources (“Train the Trainer” section)</li> </ul>
<b>Who do I contact for further information?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speak with your supervisor/manager/charge nurse/infection control practitioner/senior practice leader/professional practice leader or other clinical leads</li> <li>• Connect with your program’s educator and attend education huddles</li> <li>• Contact Workplace Health</li> </ul>