The goal is to keep healthcare organizations safe by promoting safety awareness. Healthcare workers can be exposed to hazardous airborne agents. The following information and tips can help to keep you safer.

Respirator Safety

**You can protect yourself.**

* **Medical Evaluation**
  + Ensure that you have been medically cleared to wear a respirator.
* **Fit Testing**
  + Receive annual fit testing.
  + Obtain additional fit testing if facepiece is changed or if your physical condition changes.
  + Perform a seal check each time you put on the respirator.
* **Procedures**
  + Choose appropriate respirator type.
  + Use your assigned respirator only.
* **Training**
  + Know why a respirator is necessary.
  + Understand how improper fit, use, and maintenance can compromise effectiveness.
  + Learn the capabilities and limitations of your respirator.