

## **DOHS RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PROGRAM VIDEO SCRIPT**

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Welcome to the National Institutes of Health Safetycasts in a Minute.”

**[Silhouette of human lungs and respiration. “Respiratory Protection Program.”]**

In this episode, we will discuss the Respiratory Protection Program or RPP here at the NIH.

**[Six pictures of workers using respirators.]**

Do you wear a respirator at work? If so, you need to be enrolled in the Respiratory Protection Program and complete three requirements.

**[Book spins to left titled, “OSHA Standards.” Book spins to right titled, “NIH Safety Policies.”]**

Federal Regulatory standards issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration or OSHA at 29 CFR Part 1910.134 and the NIH Safety Policies have three requirements.

**[Three bars appear centered on screen. “1 - Medical Clearance,” “2 - Respirator Training,” and “3 - Respirator Fit Testing.”]**

The completion of medical clearance from Occupational Medical Service or OMS, respirator training, and respirator fit testing.

**[Left hand holding clip board and right hand writing on “Medical Clearance Form.”]**

All NIH employees who are required to use a respirator at work must be medically cleared by Occupational Medical Service.

**[Picture on left side of screen of woman working on a laptop computer.]**

Online respirator protection training must be completed upon initial enrollment in the Respiratory Protection Program.

**[Picture on right side of screen of man being fit tested for an N-95 respirator.]**

In addition, fit testing is required if you wear an N-95 respirator.

**[2016 Yearly calendar with arrows pointing to the year up top and a date in the calendar. Year changes to 2017 and arrows point again to the year up top and a date in the calendar.]**

Online training needs to be repeated every 12 months to maintain compliance with OSHA respiratory protection requirements.

**[Pictogram of Respiratory Hazard in center of screen; Biohazard symbol lower left; Particle hazard symbol center left; Gases hazard symbol upper left; Fumes hazard symbol upper right; Toxins hazard symbol center right; and Aerosols hazard symbol lower right.]**

There are many potential respiratory hazards associated with our clinical, research and facilities maintenance environments.

**[Beam from left to right with drawing of man using respirator with words: “Safe Science is Good Science.” “Important!” “Follow the rules!” “Avoid Exposure!” “Be Responsible!”]**

It is important that we ensure the safety of all NIH researchers, clinicians and employees who use respirators.

By practicing safe science, we can continue to make medical breakthroughs here at the NIH.

**[Picture of document entitled: “National Institutes of Health, Office of Research Services, Division of Occupational Health and Safety, Respiratory Protection Program, Technical Assistance Branch.**

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To download the NIH Respiratory Protection Program in pdf format, please go to <http://go.usa.gov/xDtEG>.

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For more detailed information on the Respiratory Protection Program, please contact the Technical Assistance Branch of the Division of

Occupational Health and Safety at 301-496-2960 or on line at

<http://go.usa.gov/xDtwA>.