

# Respiratory Protection Week 2022



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Respiratory protection has always been a key component of personal protective equipment to keep individuals safe from workplace airborne hazards, but over the last few years more people have become aware of just *how* important. This year marks our fourth Respiratory Protection Week, but our virtual shout-out for respiratory protection goes back to 2012 when we began observing N95 Day. N95 Day highlighted best practices and resources specific to the most commonly used filtering facepiece respirator, the N95. We continued with the N95 focus for seven years until we expanded our campaign in 2019 to be inclusive of all types of respiratory protection.



Each year we continue respirator research to address knowledge gaps and use this observance week to share our findings and educational tools to promote proper respiratory protection practices.

Whether you are a newcomer to Respiratory Protection Week or been with us since the N95 Days, you can check out the resources available from our previous years' observance kick-off blogs.

### Respiratory Protection Week

2021: [Respiratory Protection Week 2021 Resources and Review](#)

2020: [Supplementing the Supply of N95s with Reusable Elastomeric Half Mask Respirators](#)

2019: [NIOSH Launches Respiratory Protection Week in Celebration of 100 Years of Respiratory Protection](#)

## N95 Day

2018: [Getting Down to the Particulars about Filter Class](#)

2017: [When to think Beyond the N95 FFR](#)

2016: [Proper Use, Filtration, and Fit – The Three-Legged Stool of Respiratory Protection](#)

2015: [The tools to build a culture of proper respiratory protection practices](#)

2014: [Respirator Preparedness – Where Technology Meets Good Practices](#)

2013: [A Guide to N95 Resources](#)

2012: [Happy N95 Day! \(aka, What is N95 Day?\)](#)

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## How to Participate

How can you participate in Respiratory Protection Week? We highly encourage hosting activities within your own organizations, whether that be training sessions with your staff, educational messages pertaining to your specific workplace hazards, or just fun pictures on social media of your staff showing off their proper respiratory protection practices (and general love of a safe workplace environment!).

Like every year, we will be active on our social media platforms promoting information and new resources. We encourage you to join the conversation. Follow our observance hashtag (#RespiratorWeek) to stay up to date on the latest information. Interacting with our posts helps spread the information far and wide.

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### NPPTL Fact Sheets



### NPPTL Infographics

