

## Respiratory Protection Week, September 3-6, 2019 | NPPTL | NIOSH | CDC

Welcome to the first annual Respiratory Protection Week!



### About Respiratory Protection Week



Since 2012, NIOSH has recognized September 5 as N95 Day, a day to bring awareness to the importance of respiratory protection, specifically N95s. This year, NIOSH is doing something different. One century ago, the U.S. Department of Mines initiated the first respirator certification program in the U.S. Today, NPPTL carries out research, testing and related activities aimed at protecting workers through PPE. Therefore, as we recognize this important milestone, we are also utilizing this event as an opportunity to expand N95 Day

...because, we are also viewing this event as an opportunity to expand the event into a more inclusive observance to occur annually the first week of September.

This September 3-6 we are celebrating the first annual Respiratory Protection Week. This year's observance will recognize the history of respiratory protection as well as the research and standards work that is happening to protect workers both today and in the future.

This page is your one-stop-shop for everything related to Respiratory Protection Week, however we highly encourage you to see what your own organizations are doing to participate in the observance. We have well over two dozen partners who have pledged to take part with their own internal lectures, social media involvement, and educational products. Remember to search #100yrsRespirators while on social media and check out the [NIOSH science blog](#) to join the conversation!

Learn more about the long and complex history of respiratory protection by visiting our [100 Years of Respiratory Protection webpage](#).