Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) Instructions

1. Unplug the PAPR from the cord connecting it to the battery charger and electrical outlet.

2. Inspect the airflow tube for cracks. Pay close attention to the end that connects to the head cover.

3. Check to ensure that the airflow tube is securely connected to the PAPR. Look for any signs of damage.

4. Remove the tissue paper covering the clear plastic face mask.

5. Turn the PAPR on by Pressing the Black Rubber Button.

6. To check the airflow, place the black shaped cone into the upright end of the airflow tube.

To request a PAPR unit and hood:
UIHC Personnel: call Hospital Stores at 356-1784
IRL: Available in Pediatric and Medicine Clinics, IRL stores 467-2027 for hoods

Hood Sizes:
Large: Order # 924256
Regular: Order # 924337

If wearing in the O.R, a surgical mask needs to be worn underneath hood for your patient’s protection.

For questions, contact:
UIHC Safety Manager: 356-3598
7. The lower band of the cone will rise above the edge of the airflow tube if the air supply is adequate.

8. Connect the airflow tube to the plastic circle at the back of the head cover.

9. Place the PAPR with airflow tube up against lower back & fasten belt.

10. Guide the airflow tube upward behind you and put the head cover on. There are head-bands inside the head cover that fit snugly on your head.

11. Adjust the head cover so that the elasticized edge of the face seal fits under your chin. It is now safe to enter the isolation room.

12. Remove PAPR in a non-contaminated area. Disconnect the head cover from the airflow tube with care by firmly grasping both pieces by the hard plastic parts and connect them. Gently but firmly pull the apart.

RETURNING UNIT:
- Place machine, cone, hose, and belt in plastic bag. Place in your Central Sterilizing Service (CSS) pick up area. DO NOT DISCARD CONE.

Care and Storage
- Head covers can be re-used by the same employee as long as it is clean and not torn.
- Inspect before and after each use and replace if stained or torn.
- Disinfect hood with hospital approved germicidal wipes after each use.
- Store in a clean dry place, labeled with user name; do not store in patient room.
- Call for a replacement unit and/or hood if airflow is inadequate, the PAPR malfunctions, or there are cracks in the airflow tube or hood.
- Reconnect PAPR to the battery charger when not in use.