N95 Respirator Decontamination and Re-Use Process

Key Points:

- All N95 Respirators MUST be labeled with your first initial, last name, date of first use and department location (this is important to ensure return of your mask)

- Please limit the daily donning of new respirators as much as possible (extended use, per policy, is strongly encouraged)

- All Used N95 Respirators are to be discarded in your brown “dirty” paper bag

- Respirators sent for decontamination will be returned to you in a new white “clean” paper bag stapled at the top
  - It will include a new brown bag to be used as your “dirty” discard bag. Tally marks will be added to the respirator by decontamination staff each time the mask undergoes the decontamination process. Ensure your name and return location are on supplied brown bag

- All decontaminated N95 Respirators will be kept in the white “clean” paper bag

- Note the location of your department/unit/site “dirty drop off” and “clean pick up” stations

- Each health care professional is responsible for ensuring the proper fit and integrity of each respirator upon re-use

Note to Float Staff-
You can choose to note your return location as your last worked unit/department/site
OR
You can designate your return location as “Float” in which case you can retrieve your clean white bag from the Decon. Unit’s holding area on 7th floor UT (old Adult Crisis Unit)

More detailed information, including a detailed training document, can be found on the link below or by scanning this QR code with your phone:
https://www.nebraskamed.com/covid