Fit testing for respirators is still on for this Thursday and I've heard from about 35 of you plus the 16 on duty brings the total to 19 that I haven't heard from. If you have a current fit test for a Scott AV2000 mask, you do not need to attend (i.e. from your fire department). If you are on duty that day, we will rotate crews through and maintain coverage, so hang tight as we develop the schedule. Tomorrow's status report will include the schedule of when you need to show up.

Missouri BEMS released some guidance on re-using N-95 masks:

- Discard your mask or filter in the following situations:
 - o If used around aerosol-generating procedures,
 - If contaminated with bodily fluids,
 - If obviously damaged or difficult to breathe through.
- There is no maximum time a respirator/mask can be worn if it does not meet the conditions above.
- Use good hygiene:
 - Consider the outside of your mask dirty and the inside clean don't crosscontaminate when putting it on or taking it off.
 - Clean your mask from inside to outside (don't use a dirty rag from the outside on the inside).
 - Wash your hands after handling your mask.
- Keep the mask clean between uses and place in paper bags.
- Sources:

https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/hcwcontrols/recommendedguidanceextuse.html

Not much else today. Dr. Nicholes will be meeting with us in the next couple days and will be hitting the ground running as our new medical director.

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A draft protocol has been created for treating potentially infected COVID patients. It is NOT currently approved by any of our local medical directors. However, it is based on approved SW MO regional medical directors.

http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-330.php

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