



[Theron Becker](#) Nov 11th at 14:01

Weekly status update from meeting notes:

- **IMPORTANT:** You MUST wear an N95 and eye protection when entering a long term care facility. We have received some complaints from LTC.
- CMH transfer policy has been updated and submitted to policy committee. As soon as it is approved, the priority calculator goes into effect (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-1-200-72.php>).
- A new printer/scanner has been ordered for Bolivar crews to use to attach PCS and face sheets to ESO.
- Contact Brice or Theron to return your Scott mask if you prefer the MSA mask or to get an adapter for the Scott if you prefer Scott over MSA.
- Contact your crew leader or manager to get your flu shot and fit test if you haven't already done so.
- In talks with Iconium and Chapel Hills fire departments about adopting our protocols and medical director.
- Working on some education from Security to help us identify and safely handle weapons on patients.
- Working on solutions to add oxygen capacity to ambulances (possibly adding a second M tank bracket) for these COVID LDTs with high oxygen volume demand.
- STEMI meeting identified PHS worsening performance with STEMI patients. Please review our Chest Pain protocol (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-220.php>).

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[Cynthia Bush](#) 2 months ago

If we've been issued Scott and MSA, are we supposed to choose one and turn the other in? Or do we keep both? Also, just to clarify because I can't remember, are Scott and MSA equal options, or is it preferred for us to use MSA instead of Scott?



[Theron Becker](#) 2 months ago

We are leaving the decision of which mask up to each person. Here is some info to help you decide:

- N-95 blocks at least 95.0% of particles. Blocks both inspiratory and expiratory. This is what we should wear into LTC if you can pass the fit test.
- MSA half-face blocks at least 99.0%. Blocks only inhalation. Does not need special eye glasses. Does not fog up glasses.
- Scott full-face blocks at least 99.8%. Blocks only inhalation. Need special eye glasses. Claustrophobia. Highest protection option.

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Cynthia Bush 2 months ago

Are we not required to wear N-95 masks with standard non-COVID patient contact?



Theron Becker 2 months ago

Current guidance (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-330.php>):

- All patient contacts: Wear at least a surgical mask and eye protection.
- Suspected COVID: Wear at least an N95 and eye protection.
- Entering LTC: Wear at least an N95 and eye protection.

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