

# **National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory**

## **REQUEST YOUR ASSISTANCE**

### **Our Need**

The National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory (NPPTL) is interested in learning more about the potential barriers to the proper selection and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (surgical/isolation gowns, scrubs, gloves, respiratory protection, eye protection, facial protection) by healthcare workers (HCWs).



### **How You Can Help**

Tell us your PPE concerns related to the selection and use in the following areas:

- Problems when selecting PPE
- Ability to access and acquire the proper PPE
- Identifying the comfort and burden of PPE
- Selecting appropriate PPE for different procedures and length of exposures
- Ability to perform work tasks while wearing PPE
- Multi-tasking and the need for changing or removing PPE between activities and/or patients
- Maintenance of PPE
- Other barriers to selection & use of appropriate PPE

### **How Will NIOSH Use This Information?**

Your assistance will help NIOSH improve workplace safety and health practice for healthcare workers.

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