



Metro Atlanta Crime Commission
Public Safety Crisis Management Information
**Using Masks and Making Strong, Safer Hand Sanitizer
(What You Are Not Being Told)**

THE N95 MISINFORMATION & BLOCKING CAMPAIGN

There has been a strategic, consistent, covert and overt effort to keep the N95 mask out of the hands of citizens who need these masks to protect themselves. And while we value our First Responders greatly, the lives of citizens and your families are just as important.

The effort to keep N95 masks away from citizens began when the Surgeon General of the United States told citizens to stop buying them because the N95 masks were needed for healthcare workers. Then the president stated he ordered 40 million N95 masks for healthcare workers. Then the vice president placed an order with the 3M mask company in Minnesota for 35 million masks per month for healthcare workers.

Unfortunately things did not play out like that and many hospitals and first-responder agencies never received the masks they needed. Masks designated for healthcare workers and first responders were rerouted or intercepted, stockpiled by the federal government and even sent to countries like China while our citizens and health care workers were in need of this PPE.

All this was kept hush-hush, healthcare workers and first responders did not receive what they needed and you didn't receive hardly any, if at all. To make do, many hospitals, medical facilities, senior citizen facilities and first responder agencies began using make the kn95 mask. But then the FDA banned at least 65 different kn95 masks they had previously approved.

You were told to wear bandanas or scarves, handkerchiefs or cloth masks. Or even sock masks in some cases. But none of these other type masks provide anywhere close to the protection of a properly worn and sanitary N95 mask.

Finally, now there is an apparent and deliberate misinformation campaign that has been launched to discredit the use of N95 masks and protecting against covid-19 and to discourage the public from believing that these masks will help.

Bogus, incomplete or manipulated studies are popping up everywhere, all with the intent directing you away from the mask that provides the most protection available to you. Those who are telling you not to

wear a mask (esp an N95) are wrong. Those who are telling you that the N95 is not among the best available protection for you are lying.

There is a reason the federal government is buying up the N95 masks. There is a reason the healthcare industry wants them so badly. So stop and think when people try to discourage you from getting them, what better alternative are they offering you? None. Protect yourself and your family with the best possible masks you can acquire. And this is the wrong time to be cheap.

AVOID BUYING & USING CHEAP MASKS

Real N95 and N99 masks properly worn and fitted do work in blocking airborne pathogens and contagions. If they did not work, President Trump would not have ordered 40 million masks for healthcare workers in February of 2020, not for those infected. If they did not work, the Vice-President would not have visited the 3M factory in Minnesota in March, 2020 and placed a standing order for 35 million N95 masks per month until further notice. If masks did not work, the head of the CDC would not have announced in a press conference that they need the N95 masks for healthcare workers. If they did not, N95 masks would not be so scarcely available to the public while they are being stockpiled by the millions. A mask is not a guarantee but a necessary precaution.

5 ELEMENTS OF MASK SAFETY & EFFECTIVENESS

Masks are only effective when all 5 of the following occurs:

1. When people have the right type of protective N95 or N99 mask.
2. When worn properly, using both straps, suction and the nose guard.
3. When re-sanitized on the outside.
4. When kept clean on the inside.
5. When stored properly under sanitary conditions until the next time you use it.

Leave any of these 5 factors out and you decrease the effectiveness and protection rate of the masks. Anybody who thinks they can just throw on a mask and that's it is a person who is sadly mistaken.

WEARING THE MASK PROPERLY

Wearing the N95 mask properly is very important. For masks with the top and bottom straps, place the bottom strap on first and let it rest on the bottom of your neck. Then position the mask securely on your face, covering your nose and mouth completely. Place the second strap around the back of your head. Then slightly pinch the metal strip on the top of the mask. Breathe normally. The N95 mask with the respirator on top allows the mask to stay cooler which allows you to keep the mask on longer.

WHAT ABOUT OTHER MASKS?

If you do not have an N95 mask, use the mask you have because a mask is better than no mask at all. Any mask offers some protection against airborne particles but some offer much more protection than others. And at the very least, masks of any type discourage people from touching their faces, thereby reducing the chances of getting COVID-19 into your nose from your hands.

ALL MASKS ARE NOT CREATED EQUAL

This year the FDA banned over 60 masks that were KN95. These cheap masks were originally approved by the FDA but then the test results came back and many failed to meet the standards. Also China began shipping fake or ineffective KN95 mask to buyers all over the United States. Many hospitals, government and law enforcement agencies had ordered and began using KN95 masks because they could not locate the real N95 masks. And cheap or counterfeit mask manufacturers took full advantage of the need.

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<https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.natlawreview.com/article/fda-reverses-decision-to-authorize-use-chinese-kn95-respirators%3famp>

RE-USING DISPOSEABLE MASKS

Under normal circumstances the best way for a company to sell more masks is to say they are disposable. But when there is a shortage of masks, you may have to wear what you have several times because doing so is better than having nothing. Because the droplets from a sneeze traveling 100 mph and deposit up to 100,000 droplets in the air from just one sneeze, you need to wear the mask. In order to re-use the N95, take it off, spray the outside lightly with Lysol then place the mask in a zip lock bag.

DO's and DONT's

- DO NOT spray disinfectant inside a mask.
- DO NOT place a mask in the stove or microwave.
- DO NOT touch the inside of your mask without clean hands.
- DO NOT share masks with anyone.
- DO NOT expect cloth masks, bandanas, handkerchiefs or cheap paper masks to protect you.
- DO NOT wear any of the 65 different kn95 masks banned by the FDA in May of 2020.
- DO wash your face before wearing your mak.
- DO place your mask in a clean zip lock plastic bag, not a paper bag.
- DO spray the outside of your mask lightly with a mist of disinfectant after use.

BEWARE OF FAKE MASKS: These masks are real.



The masks above are real masks but the cheap paper blue one does not provide maximum effective protection.. Keep in mind there are other brands of N95 so if the box or writing is a different color, don't panic. That being said, there are fake N95 masks which are now flooding the market.

KN95 masks, socks, handkerchiefs, bandanas and cloth masks do not block COVID-19.

THE MASKS BELOW ARE FAKES



These are fake masks. Notice where the staples are. Notice there are no side flaps. Notice 3M in large bold black print. Notice how thick the staples are and how they look on the inside of the mask. Notice closely the cheaply-made filter. And notice the black writing at the bottom of the outside of mask that seems to fade, even though the mask is supposedly brand new. Cheap printing. Look for printing that is not straight. All of these factors combined prove these masks are fakes.

<https://www.newsweek.com/alex-azar-coronavirus-masks-30-million-have-need-30-million-fight-america-senate-committee-1489058>

MAKING YOUR HAND SANITIZER

Regular hand sanitizer, the one everyone is running to find, has harmful chemicals in it, largely for color, scent and longevity. Ironically there are only 2 ingredients needed for hand sanitizer. The alcohol is the only active ingredient. The aloe vera, the other key necessary ingredient, is simply to soften the skin and keep it from drying out because of the alcohol. Pure aloe vera juice (not gel) is safer and healthier. Read the back of the hand sanitizer everyone is hunting for, especially the warning and the chemicals listed on the bottom.

To make the sanitizer stronger, use 91% alcohol (Isopropyl) and mix it with 100% or virtually 100% Aloe Vera JUICE (Wal-Mart, Public and Kroger), not the gel. Mix 1 part alcohol with 2 parts aloe vera juice. Place in small bottles. Keep one bottle in the car and one with you at all times, including and especially at work. Don't believe anyone who says making this sanitizer is unsafe.

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