



INFECTION CONTROL PRACTITIONERS
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NIOSH Docket Office
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Dear Sir:

We were extremely pleased to receive the proposed revision of your TB respiratory protection requirements. This revision will improve many aspects of TB patient care by: 1) increasing staff and patient compliance (and thus better ensure staff safety); 2) minimizing costs to hospitals, patients and taxpayers; and by 3) reducing the fear imposed upon patients and family members who see their healthcare providers donning overly excessive protective equipment. By allowing us to utilize the CDC's 1990 recommended dust/mist respirators, we will be able to provide quality patient care without unnecessary fiscal and logistic costs.

We therefore strongly support your proposal, and eagerly await seeing the revisions reflected in your final recommendations.

Yours truly,

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