Viral Decay Plan for Gowns and N95s

**GOWNS**
As providers come out of rooms they will doff PPE and remove gowns by rolling them into a ball that keeps the inside (non-virus exposed side) on the outside. The gowns will be collected in brown paper bags or cardboard boxes.

At the end of the day, and any necessary intervals throughout the day, bags will be transported to an exam room upstairs. The exam room door will be labeled with the day that the gowns were USED. There will be 5 days worth of gowns.

After 5 days, gowns can be used again as the virus has decayed.

**N95 MASKS**
Providers are given N95 to use throughout an entire day. At the end of the day, providers will store N95 in a small brown paper bag with their name and date of use on them. The paper bag will then be placed into a grey bin with an OK to Use sign on it for 5 days from now.

The grey bins are stored in the PPE room and rotated to keep up with what N95s are currently ok to use now.

Nurses will keep up on N95 use and place N95s on the desk for providers to find when they start their shift. If a new N95 is needed, providers should check the OK TO USE NOW grey bin for an available N95.