

Webisode 57DHYAFZM January 9 2026 Surgical Masks should be replaced by Respirator Level Masks

Cartoon 1 of 4 Surgical Masks should be replaced by Respirator Level Masks! Cell 1 A group of experts is urging changes to World Health Organization guidelines! Cell 2 given their inadequate protection against airborne pathogens! Cell 3 At the height of the Covid pandemic an estimated 129 billion disposable face masks! Cell 4 were being used around the world every month, by the public and healthcare workers!

Cartoon 2 of 4 Surgical Masks should be replaced by Respirator Level Masks! Cell 1 Respirators designed to filter tiny particles, such as masks meeting FFP2 3 standards in the UK or N95 in the US! Cell 2 should instead be standard practice for medical interactions! Cell 3 This is said to result in fewer infections in patients and health professionals! Cell 4 and reduce rates of sickness, absence and burnout in the health workforce!

Cartoon 3 of 4 Surgical Masks should be replaced by Respirator Level Masks! Cell 1 Surgical masks are still better than nothing but! Cell 2 studies suggest Surgical Masks block around 40 percent of Covid-sized particles in the air! Cell 3 compared with 95 percent Covid sized particle blockage for respirators! Cell 4 Physical tests showing that respirators stop particles, conducted in laboratories, offer sufficient evidence of 95 percent block of Covid sized particles!

Cartoon 4 of 4 Surgical Masks should be replaced by Respirator Level Masks! Cell 1 Covid 19 spread via airborne respiratory particles! Cell 2 An airborne virus that does not get inside someone cannot make them sick! Cell 3 By sealing against the face, respirators force airflow to pass through them, filtering out the airborne virus! Cell 4 Respirators are designed to fit closely around the face and meet high filtration standards!