BRINGING WHAT'S NEXT TO **SENIOR HEALTH Indoor Air Quality**



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Environmental Safety Becomes the Focus

The New York Times 'A Smoking Gun': Infectious Coronavirus Retrieved From Hospital Air

The Seattle Times

COVID-19 outbreak at Bremerton hospital possibly traced to aerosol-generating procedures, report says

Sep. 3, 2020 at 8:04 pm | Updated Sep. 3, 2020 at 8:19 pm

HEALTH

The Atlantic

We Need to Talk About Ventilation

How is it that six months into a respiratory pandemic, we are still doing so little to mitigate airborne transmission?

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COVID-19 Is Transmitted Through Aerosols. We Have Enough Evidence, Now It Is Time to Act

SARS-CoV-2 Can Accumulate and Linger In Indoor Air for Hours

 "[A] large proportion of the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) appears to be occurring through airborne transmission of aerosols [....]
 Aerosols can accumulate, remain infectious in indoor air for hours, and be easily inhaled deep into the lungs."

From "Reducing transmission of SARS-CoV-2" published in Science, May 27, 2020



Three Recommended Steps For Confronting SARS-CoV-2 In The Air

Use as much outdoor air as possible

Update your filtering

Look at additional treatment mechanisms

Increasing Air Changes Per Hour Speeds Up Contaminant Removal

AREA	MINIMUM RECOMMENDED ACH
Operating Room	15
Intensive Care	6
LTC Resident Room	2
LTC Dining	4

RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES

* ACH - Air Changes per Hour

Upside

• If your HVAC system supports changing outside air mix, this is a relatively low cost and low effort change.

Downside

- Not all HVAC systems support this change.
- Energy costs will increase as you condition more outside air

Source: NIOSH

Smaller Particles Require Higher MERV Ratings to Be Filtered Out



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- Relatively low cost and low effort change
- Downside
 - Mechanical wear and tear, higher energy and filter costs
 Source: NIOSH

Additional Treatment Mechanisms put a multiplier effect on air quality



HEPA Filter Systems



Needlepoint Bi-Polar Ionization UV Lighting

NPBI Treats the Air Everywhere in Your Building NPBI emits billions of (+) and (-) ions into the airstream



Inactivate pathogens | Break apart odors | Clump small particles together to filter out

Thanks for your time and questions! Please reach out with any questions:

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