

COVID-19 Versaflo PAPR Filter Information – July 15, 2020 0930

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Spectrum Health uses two different types of filter cartridges for the Versaflo PAPRs

Each filter cartridge has a lifespan of five (5) years from the date of manufacture, whether the filter cartridge has been used or not. This date can be found on a sticker on the original packaging and on the filter cartridge. If the PAPR does not pass the flow test (performed each time the PAPR is assembled for use) or the filter cartridge is visibly soiled, it should be thrown away. Install a new filter cartridge and perform another flow test. Filter cartridges should be left unopened until needed for use.

How can I tell them apart?

Each filter cartridge has a specific colored label and a model number, as outlined below.

Which one do I need for protection from COVID-19 or other infectious diseases?

For respiratory protection when caring for a patient with COVID-19, you need model number **TR-6710N**. This filter cartridge uses a high efficiency particulate filter. You can easily identify this filter cartridge by its purple label and the model number, as shown below.



Which one do I need for protection when cleaning up a hazardous medication spill?

For respiratory protection when cleaning up spills of hazardous medication, you need model number **TR-6530N**. This filter cartridge has two layers of protection. This first layer is a high efficiency particulate filter. The second layer is a charcoal filter, which protects against harmful vapors from the hazardous medication. You can easily identify this filter cartridge by its yellow and purple label and the model number, as shown below.

- The charcoal portion of this filter deteriorates rapidly and should be considered unusable once finished with the spill cleanup.

