



## STERIS Announces Second On-site Decontamination Solution for Respiratory Masks

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- **U.S. FDA Grants Emergency Use Authorization**
- **STERIS Creates New Decontamination Cycle that Allows Hospitals to Use Their Existing Steam Sterilizers**

DUBLIN, IRELAND, May 26, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- STERIS plc (NYSE: STE) ("STERIS" or the "Company") today announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued another Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for respirator decontamination. The EUA enables healthcare providers to decontaminate surgical N95 respirators by utilizing certain AMSCO Steam Sterilizers that have been upgraded with STERIS's new "Decon" cycle.

This EUA is the second authorization for STERIS to temporarily provide a solution for decontaminating compatible N95 respirators. The first EUA, announced by STERIS on April 10, 2020, utilizes vaporized hydrogen peroxide to decontaminate respirators.

"It is encouraging to see a number of EUAs by STERIS and other companies being authorized for hospitals to safely reuse respirators during this pandemic," said Walt Rosebrough, President and Chief Executive Officer of STERIS. "Our people leveraged their extensive knowledge once again to assist the caregivers on the front lines. STERIS will install the upgraded cycle needed to decontaminate respirators at no charge for healthcare providers who coordinate the upgrade with other maintenance at their facility. Once again, we appreciate the collaboration with 3M and the guidance of the FDA."

STERIS recommends decontaminating masks after each use, up to a maximum of ten times, and maintaining chain of custody to minimize risk of cross contamination. Given the installed base of these sterilizers in the U.S., over thirty million respirators per day could be decontaminated if fully utilized for this method. For more information, please visit [steris.com/covid-19](https://steris.com/covid-19).

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