Three Key Factors Required for a Respirator to be Effective

Correct*

Incorrect

1. The respirator must be put on correctly and worn during the exposure.
2. The respirator must fit snugly against the user’s face to ensure that there are no gaps between the user’s skin and respirator seal.
3. The respirator filter must capture more than 95% of the particles from the air that passes through it.

*If your respirator has a metal bar or a molded nose cushion, it should rest over the nose and not the chin area.