



# We have ~15,000 N95 respirators

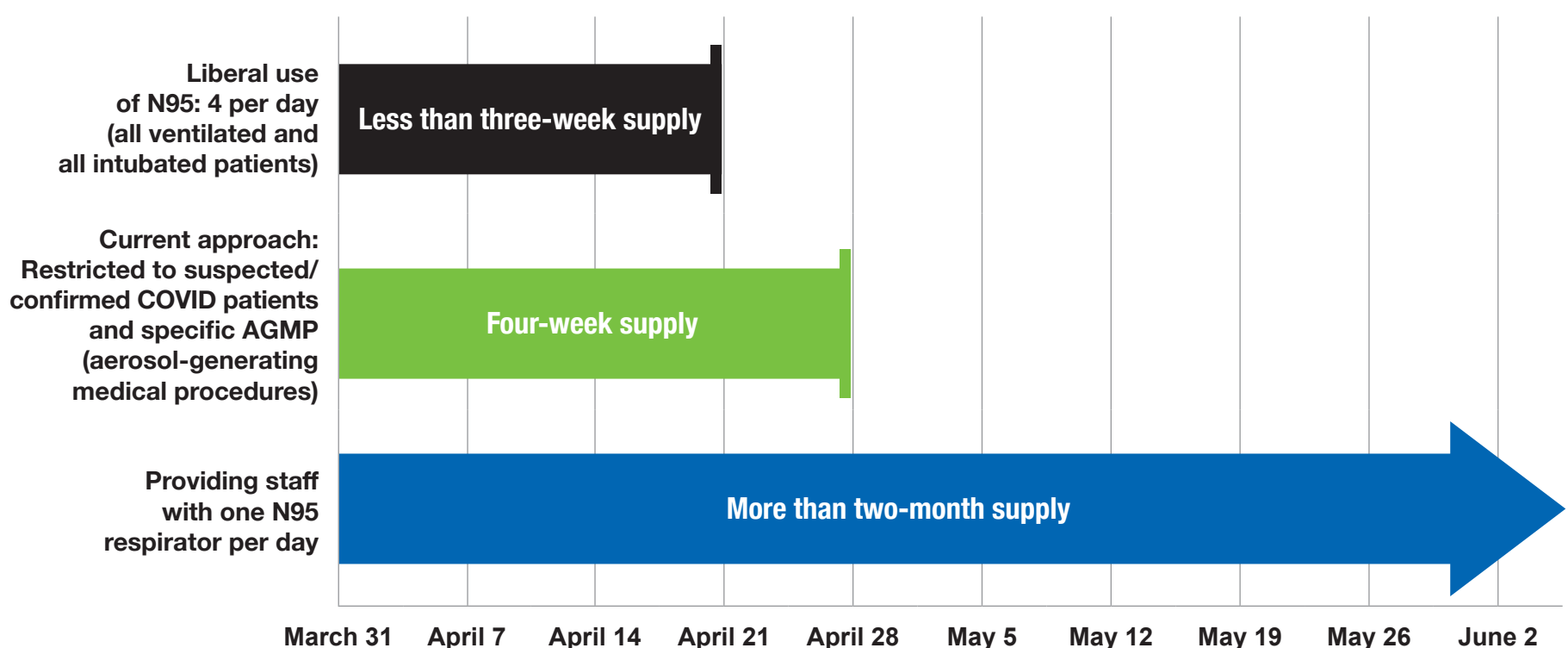


Based on current models of transmission, we have not yet hit our peak of COVID-19 patients. As these numbers grow, we need to do our best to conserve masks and use them wisely.

Sunnybrook is committed to ensuring the safety of its staff by directing personal protective equipment to the most appropriate use, where it will offer the greatest protection for high-risk procedures.

As you can see from the graph below, with our current approach, we have about one-month supply of N95 respirators remaining. If we allowed for an extended use of these masks in low-risk situations, we would have less than three weeks of supply. **If we pursue a limited distribution (one per staff, per day), we would increase our supply to more than two months.**

We are exploring every avenue to replenish our supplies of N95s and all personal protective equipment, but the reality is these items are in high demand and in scarce supply. We have to pursue every opportunity available to us to conserve our supply for when and where it is needed most. That said, we want to keep you safe. If your allocated masks require replacement, additional masks will be available from your manager.



## When is the N95 respirator needed?

**N95 respirators are needed for aerosol-generating medical procedures (AGMP) for patients on droplet & contact precautions.\***

\*Consistent with recommendations from Infection Prevention and Control leads across Canada, the Public Health Agency of Canada, and the WHO.