Town Hall July 24, 2020 Chat Transcript:

00:33:08    swapan gandhi:    Will the slide show be shared?
00:35:30    cindy bloyer:   can Dick repeat his source for air exchange rate per hour
00:37:17    Vishakha Rawool: Guidance for General Laboratory Safety Practices during the COVID-19 Pandemic

00:37:42    Heather Malyuk:   If we use boothless technology (KUDUwave), that would just apply to the office/room, correct?
00:40:27    swapan gandhi:   Is there a list of approved air purifiers?
https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/environmental/appendix/air.html

00:41:34    Vishakha Rawool: Table B.1. Air changes/hour (ACH) and time required for airborne-contaminant removal by efficiency *
00:43:29    Nancy Green: Not sure about others, but my own audiometric thresholds change with the sound of my breath inside the mask.
00:44:20    Vanessa Gauthier-Davidson: MSHA states that no flammable agents should be used for cleaning. What have you been recommending in terms of infection control for headphones if alcohol or hydrogen peroxide can’t be recommended?
00:45:10    Kathy Gates: usairpurifiers.com
00:46:19    Vishakha Rawool: The masks with the visible lips (with a plastic) make it difficult to hear the person wearing masks.
00:47:02    Vishakha Rawool: Mostly from Amazon
00:47:12    Marvin Lewis: Oaktree products when not sold out
00:47:36    Karen Turner: I forgot to bring my IPAD and have no way to speak with you. Wondering if face shield can be used in lieu of masks
00:48:12    Vishakha Rawool: Face shields without masks are insufficient
00:48:19    Karen Turner: me is Karen Turner -
00:49:12    Kelly DeLange: EPA has LIST N: for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) that is helpful for cleaning disinfectants
00:51:49    Don Finan: Just to clarify, it would need to be a UV-C light, and disinfecting does depend on wattage and duration of exposure to the light.
https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/disinfection/disinfection-methods/miscellaneous.html

00:52:47    swapan gandhi: Some UVC produces can produce ozone dependent on specific wavelength......
00:53:43    John Eichwald: includes Ultraviolet Radiation (UV) guidance
Don Finan: Yes, UVC can absolutely damage the eyes and the skin. I would be very surprised if a brief passing by of a lower-wattage UVC light would be sufficient, as industrial UVC disinfecting systems use high-wattage UVC lights.

Nancy Green: Providing the Emp Ed. part of the HCP via telehealth, even if audiometrics are not possible in certain environments, would be proof of good faith compliance efforts to OSHA, MSHA, etc.

Swapan Gandhi: Can in the field temporary threshold shift measurements made via headphones be used to inform decisions?

Swapan Gandhi: Where was the recommendation for vacuuming from?

Gaye Chinn: Is anyone utilizing barriers inside the test booth, and if so what are you using?

Grant Talbot: I would recommend that people look into boothless technology. It does away with many of these contamination and health issues.

Vishakha Rawool: No barriers. Just face shields and masks.

Vishakha Rawool: We have plastic barriers at the receptionist desk.

Vishakha Rawool: THANK YOU!

Anne Sommer: Thank you all