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Hi Dr. Anthony Fauci,

I saw you on Meet the Press this weekend and you were so awesome! Very informative, calm, assuring but with the right amount of instilling the need for us all to move forward with the appropriate caution for ourselves. It's extremely reassuring to have you leading and guiding us during this time.

I'm emailing you because I work at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in (b) (6). Our administration initially said if any Covid-19 patient came into the hospital needing emergency care and needing to be admitted they would be given an N95 mask and put in a negative pressure room. Now they reversed that decision and said they'd be put in a regular positive pressure roomn even after I showed them the CDC's recommendation for both confirmed and possible Covid-19 cases needing to be placed in negative pressure rooms/AIIR.

Well tonight a possible Covid-19 patient came to the Emergency Room and had to be admitted to the ICU. The patient was given just a regular mask and put in an elevator to the ICU. Management would not confirm if the patient was in a negative pressure room and wouldn't give staff N95 masks. I again showed them the CDC website hospital protocol Covid-19 recommendations but same response. And even was yelled at by the hospital nursing supervisor for asking about it.

I feel this is not safe at all for other patients, visitors and staff if the air is being recirculated not vented outside or through a hepa filter before recirculating back