Peel the blue protective film off of the visor on the head cover.

The head cover has two adjustable Velcro straps to ensure a snug fit. One adjusts to fit your forehead.

And one strap adjusts to fit the top of your head. It may take several readjustments the first time to get a snug fit.

Snap the head cover onto the PAPR breathing hose.

The light on the battery charger is green when the PAPR is fully charged.

Unplug the PAPR from the cord connecting it to the battery charger.
Adjust the belt to fit comfortably and snap it on.

Pull the bottom of the head cover under your chin. You will adjust the fit after you have turned the PAPR on, next picture.

Aim your forehead towards the forehead Velcro strap and pull the head cover over your head.

Slide the PAPR over on its belt and turn it on by pressing the button HARD until you hear a click. The PAPR will beep four times to verify airflow, then the head cover will inflate.
With the head cover inflated, adjust the drawstring under the hood and move the head cover around on your head until the fit is snug and no air is escaping near your ears. If the fit is too snug or not snug enough try readjusting the two Velcro straps inside the head cover. Remember the approximate placements of the two Velcro straps for the next time you need to wear a PAPR.

Perform hand hygiene. It is now safe to enter the patient room. Keep all doors closed as much as possible. Open doors interfere with the room airflow. Wear gloves and/or a gown depending on your anticipated exposure to blood and/or body fluids.

When you exit the patient room, remove the PAPR, turn it off, disinfect the outside of the PAPR with hospital-grade disinfectant wipes. Plug the PAPR back into the battery charger. Disconnect the head cover from the breathing tube, write your name on the head cover and store it in the anteroom. Perform hand hygiene before leaving the area. Head covers can be re-used by the same employee for the same patient as long as they are clean and intact. For contact isolation the head cover must be either disinfected with hospital-grade disinfectant wipes or discarded in the regular trash.
SafetyTech *FlexAir* PAPRs

- Constant, intermittent “beeping” indicates a low battery—this is a 10 minute warning.
- A constant, non-stop alarm means exit the area immediately and take the PAPR out of service. Obtain a functioning PAPR before re-entering the isolation room.
- PAPRs are located in the anterooms of many Airborne Infectious Isolation rooms.
- For areas that do not have their own PAPRs or if additional PAPRs are needed - order them from Equipment Distribution through Maestro *(If computers are down between 5am-10pm, call the Service Response Center at 681-2727 and ask for Equipment Distribution and between 10pm-5am page 970-2107.)*
- Order disposable PAPR head covers from Material Services through SAP #330895.
- To return PAPRs borrowed from Equipment Distribution, place PAPR and charger with soiled equipment to be picked up by Clinical Engineering.
- For PAPR repair, tag PAPR as “Broken - Do Not Use”, and place PAPR and charger with soiled equipment to be picked up by Clinical Engineering.
- Call Biological Safety at 684-8822 (or page 970-2780) if you need additional assistance or instructions.