

# Hospital and Emergency Triage Assessment for Ebola

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## Ask Patient in Triage Area

### In the last 21 days:

Have you been in the countries of Guinea, Liberia, or Sierra Leone?

**OR** meet any of the criteria in the Risk Assessment below?

NO to BOTH →

Continue with normal triage and assessment

YES to EITHER →

## Patient Assessment

1. **Fever**  $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$  or  $38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  now?
2. Is patient **taking** acetaminophen, ibuprofen or other antipyretics?
3. **History** of fever  $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$  or  $38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  or a subjective fever in the last 24 hours?
4. **Severe** headache, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, muscle pain, or bleeding?

NO to ALL ↓

1. **Unlikely** Ebola
2. Continue routine assessment
3. **Provide** Ebola information and who to call if fever or symptoms develop
4. **Provide** patient name and contact to Local Health Department

## RISK ASSESSMENT

1. Direct contact with blood, vomit, feces, urine, saliva, sweat, breast milk or semen of a person with or suspected to have Ebola
2. Household member or others who had brief direct contact of a person with or suspected to have Ebola
3. Attended funeral or had direct contact with a dead body in Guinea, Liberia, or Sierra Leone
4. Health care worker in the patient care area or processing laboratory samples for an Ebola patient in the United States or elsewhere
5. On any public health monitoring list for Ebola or asked to self-monitor for fever or symptoms of Ebola

YES to ANY ↓

## ISOLATE PATIENT IN SEPARATE ROOM (WITH BATHROOM or COVERED COMMODE)

1. Medical providers to wear double gloves, impermeable gowns, face mask and face shield. Consider placing surgical mask on the patient
2. In the presence of significant body fluids (diarrhea, vomiting, bleeding) **OR** Aerosol generating procedures (e.g., intubation) **Add respiratory protection (N95 or greater), shoe covers, and PPE to cover all exposed skin**
3. Notify Hospital Infection Control and start written log of exposed personnel
4. Further evaluation and management with dedicated equipment.

## Immediately Call

Local Health Department  
**OR**  
Department of State Health Services  
Information and Referral  
at  
**(512) 776-7111** or  
1-888-963-7111