Texas Ebola Testing Process Algorithm

**History of travel to area with active Ebola**
- **Yes**: Fever (subjective or >100°F) AND Ebola-compatible symptoms: severe headache, muscle pain, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, or unexplained hemorrhage
- **No**: Continue with usual triage and assessment

**Symptoms: Suspected Ebola patient**
- **Yes**: Contact Local or Regional Health Department**
- **No**: Re-evaluate in 24 hours

**Contact DSHS EAI DB***
- **Epi screening criteria met**: No further action will be taken
- **Epi screening criteria not met**: Consult with CDC on case*** and DSHS leadership notified and updated as needed

**CDC screening criteria met**
- **No further action will be taken**: Submitter will be provided with sample submission instructions and shipping guidance

**CDC screening criteria not met**
- **No further action will be taken**: Specimen Tested by DSHS Lab or LRN† Lab

**Re-evaluate in 24 hours**
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**Additional Information**
- DSHS Ebola Virus Disease Investigation Guidance [https://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Investigation-Guidance/]
- CDC Ebola Website [https://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/]

**Facility**

A. Continue with usual triage and assessment

B. Notify local health department** to discuss possible monitoring recommendations

**Public Health**

*For more information about areas with active Ebola transmission, call your local health department**

**Find your Local Health Department:** [https://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/investigation/conditions/contacts/]

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†Laboratory Response Network.