

Ebola Situation Report – 10/14/14

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Uncharted Territory

Managers should use CDC interim guidance to understand and explain to staff how to respond to suspected Ebola patients and stay safe. Individual providers can use guidance as well.

- * 9-1-1 Public Safety
- * EMS and Medical First Responders including Firefighters and Law Enforcement
- * Infection Control
- * Use of Personal Protective Equipment
- * Environmental Infection Control
- * Cleaning EMS Transport Vehicles
- * Follow-up and/or Reporting Measures by EMS Personnel



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DCHHS New Efforts

- * Requested Ebola lab testing capability; CDC considering
- * Translated and published Ebola information in 10 additional languages on DCHHS website
- * Disseminated guidance for management of patients with known or suspected Ebola to first responders, emergency managers, Sheriff's Office, and providers
- * Provided education and guidance to methadone clinic, acute care clinics and emergency clinics
- * Went door-to-door to issue Ebola information to citizens in the neighborhood of the latest patient
- * Delivered decontaminated personal items to family under control order

DCHHS Ongoing Efforts

- * Staff transporting specimens to Austin for testing
- * P-HOC still activated; call center still open
- * Community and local response partner outreach continues
- * Visiting/daily checks on family under control order; providing food and personal items
- * Still participating in communication with CDC and DSHS
- * Epidemiology Division continues to perform public health follow-up and monitoring of exposure groups
- * Nurse educator and health educators providing daily education and Q&A to the community/apartments
- * Partnering with DCMS to assist in answering citizen questions



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Latest Numbers

- * Total Case Count: 2
- * Total Deaths: 1
- * Laboratory Confirmed Cases: 2
- * Total Contacts: 48
 - 10 Definite Exposure
 - 38 Possible Exposure
- * Contacts showing symptoms: 0

** Numbers reflect information received at time of publishing and are subject to change.*



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Transmission

- * Direct contact with blood or bodily fluids of a person who is sick with Ebola (including but not limited to feces, saliva, urine, vomit, and semen)
- * Contact with objects (like needles and syringes) that have been contaminated with the blood or body fluids of an infected person or with infected animals

Most at risk

- * Health workers and family members or others in close contact with infected people





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REQUEST FOR NEW POSITIONS

No.	Position	Annual Payroll Cost	Total Cost
1	Performance Improvement Manager/Epidemiologist Lead (Grade J)	\$87,493	\$87,493
1	Epidemiologist II (Grade H)	\$81,607	\$81,607
5	Epidemiologist I (Grade G)	\$76,378	\$381,892
2	Operations Manager (H)	\$81,607	\$163,214
1	Nurse Health Educator [RN or LVN III] (Grade GM)	\$78,974	\$78,974
	TOTAL		\$793,180

BUDGET

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL and PREVENTION (CDC)

