





Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Screening for EMS

EMS patient assessment criteria for isolation/hospital notification are likely to be:

1. Fever, headache, joint and muscle aches, weakness, fatigue, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain and lack of appetite, and in some cases bleeding.

AND

2. Travel to West Africa (Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone or other countries where EVD transmission has been reported by WHO) within 21 days (3 weeks) of symptom onset.

If both criteria are met:

- A. The patient should be isolated and STANDARD, CONTACT, and DROPLET precautions followed during further assessment, treatment, and transport.
- B. IMMEDIATELY report suspected Ebola cases to receiving facility.

If patient is not transported (refusal, pronouncement, etc.):

- a. Inform Local and State Public Health Authorities: KY Public Health chfsdphdoc@ky.gov 888-9-REPORT
- b. Inform the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), available 24/7 at 770-488-7100, or via the CDC Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or via email at eocreport@cdc.gov.

Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/case-definition.html, http://www.bt.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/infection-prevention-and-control-recommendations.html