

Ebola Virus Disease Update

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Situational Update

On September 20, 2022, the Ugandan Ministry of Health confirmed an outbreak of Ebola virus disease (EVD) (species *Sudan ebolavirus*) in Mubende District, in western Uganda. While there are no reported suspected, probable, or confirmed cases in the United States, Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) reminds healthcare providers in hospitals, emergency departments, and clinics to routinely ask patients with signs or symptoms of acute and infectious illness about recent international travel.

Recommendations for Healthcare Providers

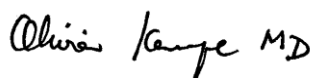
1. Consider EVD in their differential diagnosis for any patient who has:
 - a. [Signs and symptoms](#) consistent with Ebola virus infection (fever, severe headache, muscle pain, weakness, fatigue, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain, and unexplained bleeding) **AND**
 - b. Traveled to affected areas of Uganda within 21 days of symptoms onset.
2. If EVD is suspected based on symptoms and travel within the last 21 days to affected areas of Uganda:
 - a. Contact SCPH immediately at (916) 875-5881
 - b. Take EVD specific [infection control precautions](#), including:
 - i. Immediate isolation of the patient in a private room.
 - ii. Limiting healthcare provider contact with patient to essential patient care.
 - iii. Donning appropriate [Personal Protective Equipment](#).
 - iv. Minimizing procedures that create splashes or increase environmental contamination with infectious material or create aerosols. Use Airborne Infection Isolation Rooms when feasible.
 - v. Documenting all healthcare provider contacts.

More information and Resources:

CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/index.html>

CDPH: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/EbolaVirusDisease.aspx>

Sincerely,



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