

Snapshot Report #17

HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTER

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SITUATION UPDATE

The World Health Organization (WHO) release an updated Ebola Situation Report, today. To date, there have been a total of 14,098 reported cases of Ebola worldwide, with 5,160 reported deaths. Transmission rates remain high in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, and case incidence is still increasing in Sierra Leone.

Mali is also experiencing an Ebola outbreak with a total of 4 confirmed and probable cases and 4 deaths. Approximately 90 people have been quarantined in connection to the outbreak in Mali.

There are currently no active Ebola patients in the United States.

KEY ACTIONS BY NORTHWEST HEALTHCARE RESPONSE NETWORK

- Network staff continue to monitor Ebola resources for information pertinent to healthcare in our region. The need for daily conference calls has abated. The Network staff will convene conference calls for information sharing as the need arises.
- The Network will hold a meeting on Ebola Preparedness for Outpatient and Ambulatory Care Clinics on Nov. 19 at Swedish Cherry Hill.

KEY ACTIONS BY OTHER REGIONAL OR STATE AGENCIES

- The Mutual Aid Plan for Healthcare Resource Sharing is currently out for signature by participating agencies and is expected to be returned by Monday, Nov. 24.

CURRENT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas reaches an agreement with the family of Thomas Duncan in lieu of a potential lawsuit:
<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/11/12/duncans-family-reaches-resolution-with-hospital/18898847/>
- The U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations held a full committee hearing today on the request for \$6.2 billion in emergency funds to fight Ebola:
<http://www.appropriations.senate.gov/hearings-and-testimony/full-committee-hearing-us-government-response-fighting-ebola-and-protecting>

- CDC has posted updated materials – Guidance for Screening and Caring for Pregnant Women with Ebola Virus Disease for Healthcare Providers in U.S. Hospitals: <http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/guidance-maternal-health.html>
- CDC has posted updated materials – Questions and Answers about Ebola and Pets: <http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/transmission/qas-pets.html>
- WHO has posted an update Ebola Situation Report: <http://www.who.int/csr/disease/ebola/situation-reports/en/?m=20141112&file=sitreps/20141112/20141112.html>
- WHO - Mali confirms its second fatal case of Ebola virus disease: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/ebola/12-november-2014-mali/en/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- On Nov. 18 at 7am – 10am PDT, the U.S. House Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations will hold a hearing with international NGO leaders on ‘Fighting Ebola: A Ground-Level View’: <http://foreignaffairs.house.gov/hearing/subcommittee-hearing-fighting-ebola-ground-level-view>
- On Nov. 18 and 19, the U.S. House Energy and Commerce Committee will hold two Ebola related hearings. The Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations hearing will be held on Nov. 18 at 10am PDT with an ‘Update on the U.S. Public Health Response to the Ebola Outbreak’ with senior government officials including CDC Director Dr. Tom Frieden. The Nov. 19 Subcommittee on Health hearing at 7am PDT is on ‘Examining Medical Product Development in the Wake of the Ebola Epidemic’ with witnesses to be announced: <http://energycommerce.house.gov/press-release/committee-continue-oversight-ebola-outbreak-two-hearings-next-week>.
- On Nov. 19 at 12pm – 1:30 pm, the Network will hold a meeting at Swedish Cherry Hill on Ebola Preparedness for Outpatient and Ambulatory Care Clinics.

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