





# **Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Screening for EMS**

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

1. Fever of greater than 38.6 degrees Celsius or 101.5 degrees Fahrenheit, and additional symptoms such as severe headache, muscle pain, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, or unexplained hemorrhage.

#### **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 case to receiving facility.

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

- A. Inform Local and State Public Health Authorities:
- 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: <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/case-definition.html">http://www.bt.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/case-definition.html</a>, <a href="http://www.bt.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/infection-prevention-and-control-recommendations.html">http://www.bt.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/infection-prevention-and-control-recommendations.html</a>