



Buncombe County Health & Human Services

Aging and Veteran's Services ~ Social Work Services
Public Assistance & Work Support Strategies ~ Public Health
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Health and Human Services Director

To: Buncombe County Medical Providers
From: Dr. Jennifer Mullendore, Medical Director
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2014
RE: Health alert from the Buncombe County Department of Health

Ebola guidance for non-hospital settings and provider update

Please see the attached documents providing updated guidance to North Carolina health care providers as well as non-hospital healthcare facilities regarding assessment for Ebola virus disease (EVD) and management of suspected cases.

- The guidance here is not intended to replace specific plans or policies that may be in place for your facility or healthcare network.
- These recommendations are likely to change as new information becomes available. Updates will be available at <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/ebola>.

The updates (highlighted on the attachments) include a **change in travel screening to reflect those countries designated by the CDC as posing a risk of Ebola exposure (Mali has been added to the list of countries) and updated information about infection control**. I've also attached the updated algorithm for the evaluation of ill persons who report recent travel.

If you suspect someone of having Ebola or encounter a person with travel to a country designated by the CDC as posing a risk of Ebola exposure, contact your local health department (828-250-5109 for Buncombe County; available 24/7) or the state Communicable Disease Branch (919-733-3419; available 24/7).

As always, if you have any questions or concerns related to this or any other communicable disease, please contact your local health department (250-5109 for Buncombe County Disease Control; available 24/7).

Thanks,
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"Health care is vital to all of us some of the time, but public health is vital to all of us all of the time." --
Dr. C. Everett Koop, former US Surgeon General

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