

Ebola Virus Clinician Health Alert



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In May 2026, the CDC issued a Health Advisory about an ongoing outbreak of Ebola virus, a rare but highly fatal viral hemorrhagic fever, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Clinicians should consider Ebola virus in patients with qualifying travel or exposure history.



Identify: When to suspect

Exposure within the last 21 Days: Travel to DRC and/or Contact with a known Ebola Patient



Isolate: Protect Personnel and the Public

Wear: Faceshield, N95, Gloves, Gown, Boot Covers, Apron, or Impervious Suit



Common Symptoms

Fever, Chills, Headache, Muscle Aches, Chest Pain or Bleeding, AMS, Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Shortness of Breath



Post Transfer Issues

Clean and disinfect all exposed rooms and equipment using an EPA-registered hospital-grade disinfectant while wearing appropriate PPE. Handle soiled laundry and trash according to your organization's special-pathogen procedures.



Inform: Follow Local Notification Protocols

Clinicians should follow local protocols and promptly notify the appropriate public health authorities. For agency-specific guidance, contact your Infection Control Officer or Medical Director.

Questions or operational guidance?
Contact your Infection Control Officer or Medical Director.