



# STATE OF OHIO

## Emergency Operations Center

### SITUATION REPORT

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#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Governor

**FROM:** Ohio Emergency Operations Center

**SUBJECT:** Coordinated Response to Ebola Virus

**DATE:** October 17, 2014

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This is the first Situation Report for October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and the third Situation Report for this incident. This information is current as of 5:00 p.m. **All new information is in bold.**

#### **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

On the morning of October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) learned that a Dallas-area healthcare worker who tested positive for Ebola was in Summit County from October 10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>. Upon confirming that the health care worker who recently tested positive for Ebola had been in Ohio, the Ohio Department of Health immediately reached out to local health districts and hospitals to coordinate their response.

The Ohio EMA opened the State EOC Assessment Room on October 15<sup>th</sup> to support the Ohio Department of Health's response to this incident.

Governor Kasich contacted the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and expedited the arrival of a CDC task force. The task force arrived on the morning of October 16<sup>th</sup> at the State EOC where they were promptly briefed on the situation in Ohio. Following the briefing, the task force traveled to Summit County where they are currently embedded with the local health department.

The CDC contacted the mother of the health care worker, who had traveled to Dallas, and advised her to monitor her temperature. The mother and the health care worker's fiancé are now being quarantined at a hotel in Dallas. Her step-father is currently quarantined at his home in Summit County.

Currently there are 16 individuals (close contacts) actively being monitored in Ohio. It is important to understand that no people had a high risk contact (contact with bodily fluids while patient was symptomatic) while the health care worker was in Ohio. The individuals being

monitored are considered to have had low-risk contact with the health care worker. Currently there are no cases of Ebola in Ohio and none of the individuals being monitored are symptomatic.

### **EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS**

At this time there are no state or local emergency declarations for this incident.

### **STATE RESPONSE AND ASSETS**

**The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is currently supporting the contract tracing efforts by local health departments and the CDC. This effort includes contacting individuals that were on both flight 1143 and 1142. Currently, 79 of the individuals on the two flights have been identified as being of Ohio.**

**The CDC has had personnel on the ground in Summit County for more than 24 hrs. These CDC personnel are working closely with county and state officials to complete the contact tracing of people who made have had contact with the health care working with Ebola while she was in Ohio.**

**The Ohio Department of Health is also working to develop a plan that addresses any potential financial barriers that might restrict a local jurisdictions ability to handle situation with the necessary amount of caution.**

The Ohio Department of Health has activated a 24-hour-a-day call center to ensure Ohioans get accurate, timely information and to answer questions about Ebola. The ODH call center has fielded over 1,000 calls as of 2 P.M. on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The number for Ohioans to call is 1-866-800-1404.

**ESF-7 has joined ESF 5 (Emergency Management) and ESF-8 (Public Health) as activated in the State EOC. ESF-7 is working with Department of Administrative Services to identify sources and supply networks of personal protective equipment (PPE) to strengthen the already-existing regional supply caches. It is important to note that these supply caches are meant to assist when local supplies are exhausted.**

**While not active in the State EOC, ESF-6 (Mass Care) numerous ESF-6 partners have been participating in the State EOC Briefings. The American Red Cross is maintaining situational awareness and is standing by to provide support when needed.**

The State JIC is continuing to reach out to stakeholders to refine and craft messaging specific to the incident. The State JIC has also developed information to be distributed to the Ohio Department of Education and partners.

The State EOC is conducting daily information sharing phone calls with county EMA's, state and local stakeholders as well as state response partners. These calls will continue for the duration of the event.

**An incident has been established in WebEOC (20141015 Ebola Virus Disease Response). Local agencies or counties that need to request resources should do so through their county EMA and the established protocols in WebEOC.**

### **SUMMIT COUNTY**

**The Summit County Sheriff's Office is developing a screening procedure/questionnaire for prisoners arriving to the Summit County jail. The Summit County Sheriff's Office is also working with the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association and the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections to identify any potential space or resources that may be needed should an isolation or monitoring situation arise.**

### **Disease Parameters**

- See attachment on overview of Ebola Virus

### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

The State EOC is currently operating at a partial activation, 24 hours per day, and will continue to do so until no longer necessary.