



STATE OF OHIO

Emergency Operations Center

SITUATION REPORT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governor John R. Kasich
FROM: Ohio Emergency Operations Center
SUBJECT: Coordinated Response to Ebola Virus
DATE: October 20, 2014

This is the Situation Report for October 20th, 2014. This information is current as of 6 p.m.

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

October 10-13, 2014: A Dallas-area healthcare worker who tested positive for Ebola visited Summit County. When the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) learned about the healthcare worker in Ohio, they immediately reached out to local health districts and hospitals to coordinate response. Ohio EMA activated the State EOC Assessment Room and the Joint Information Center to support ODH's response to this incident.

EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

There are no state or local emergency declarations for this incident.

Currently there are no cases of Ebola in Ohio, but there are a number of low risk individuals being monitored. None of the individuals being monitored are symptomatic.

OHIO DAILY EBOLA CONTACT REPORT **10/20/2104, 5p.m.**

CONFIRMED EBOLA CASES	0
QUARANTINED OHIOANS	3
TOTAL OHIO CONTACTS	160

CONTACTS BY COUNTY AND TYPE

	QUARANTINE	ACTIVE MONITORING	VERIFIED SELF (PHONE) MONITORING	SELF-MONITORING	PENDING	TOTAL
	TIER 1	TIER 2A	TIER 2B	TIER 3		
	Enforced restrictions on movement/travel; temperature taken twice daily; public health contact; no commercial travel	Temperature taken twice daily--once in-person by a public health official; no commercial travel; other travel restrictions possible	Temperature taken twice daily--reported to public health official; international travel restrictions	Temperature taken twice daily; not reported, but will call if change		
	Any direct skin/membrane contact	No direct contact, but within 3 feet for more than 1 hour	No direct contact, in same enclosed space (not within 3 feet) for <i>more</i> than 1 hour	No direct contact, in same enclosed space (not within 3 feet) for <i>less</i> than 1 hour		
Cuyahoga	1	3	30	15	1	50
Summit	2	8	16	14	0	40
All Other Counties *	0	7	37	24	2	70
TOTAL	3	18	83	53	3	160

** 14 counties have seven or less contacts and those figures are not being broken out by county in order to protect the privacy of individual contacts. (Belmont, Erie, Franklin, Geauga, Hamilton, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Putnam, Stark, Tuscarawas and Wayne)*

GENERAL DISEASE SURVEILLANCE

Ohio is observing elevated levels of ED visits for fever symptoms in multiple local health jurisdictions, including: Cuyahoga, Ashland, Seneca, and Lucas Counties. Also observed was an increase in ED visits for gastrointestinal symptoms in Medina County. There were no unusual increases in hemorrhaging symptoms since the October 19, 2014 report. Ohio has observed no additional ED visits for Ohioans concerned about Ebola and seeking testing since 9 PM on October 17, 2014. As of Saturday, October 18, 2014, the following over-the-counter pharmacy sales were elevated (as compared to the previous 17-day average) in Ohio: antidiarrheal (28%), anti-fever pediatric (18%), cold relief adult liquid (16%), cough syrup adult liquid (39%), cough syrup pediatric liquid (64%), and nasal products (10%).

STATE RESPONSE AND RESOURCES

ESF-8 – Public Health and Medical Services

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is lead agency in response to the Ebola incident.

ODH epidemiology team held discussions with all parties regarding the revision of the daily contact report form. The contact report was posted to OPHCS and will continue to be posted on a daily basis for situation awareness. The ODH epidemiology team held multiple calls with the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine to maintain situation awareness. The Ebola crosswalk was also updated and distributed to local health departments.

ODH obtained controlling board approval for spending authority on personal protective equipment and clean-up expenses.

Hospitals were contacted by ODH to determine their Ebola drill status. Non-ASPR hospitals are 25% compliant. ASPR Hospitals report 96% compliant.

ODH purchased additional Tyvek 18” high boot covers and 5,000 pairs of disposable nitrile gloves. Gloves were purchased because longer length gloves were necessary.

ODH Environmental Health staff is working on revising a document to give guidelines on cleaning and disinfecting areas of exposure.

Also, ODH posted an Ebola memo for schools and talking points into OPHCS.

ESF 7 – Resource Support – Logistics

ESF 7 continues to work in support of ODH in several areas including:

- Identification and ordering of personal protective equipment (PPE), e.g. hoods, coveralls, booties, wipes, waste drums, Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) batteries, gloves and masks.
- Conducting research for EMS on sources for automated systems to perform the Vaporized Hydrogen Peroxide cleansing of ambulance interiors.
- Serving as a clearinghouse for logistical information and coordination issues (e.g. levels of protection given by ODH stockpiled PPE).

ESF 15 – Emergency Public Information and External Affairs

The JIC fielded media calls about the daily contact report and questions on why the numbers of affected individuals decreased.

Press releases sent today were the following:

- Daily Ebola Contact Report
- ODH Supports New Summit County Efforts to Inform, Protect First Responders and Health Care Workers
- ODH Secures Approval to Purchase Personal Protective Equipment
- Controlling Board approval of ODH’s request for additional funds to purchase PPE.

JIC personnel held a conference call with all local health department PIOs at 3pm.

The Joint Information Center continues to provide support in Summit County. Joe Andrews, ODPS Communications Director, was in Akron Sunday, October 19; Tamara McBride, Ohio EMA External Affairs Officer, is in Akron through the week.

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.