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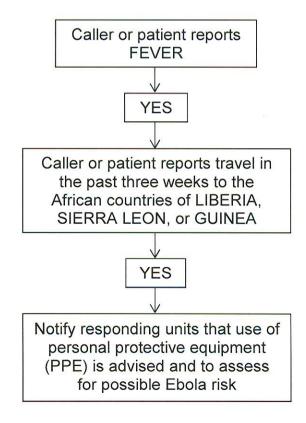
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SUBJECT:

EMS RELATED EBOLA UPDATE #3

Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) is authorizing medical dispatch call screening for potential Ebola victims. 9-1-1 EMS dispatch centers and OCEMS licensed ambulance dispatch centers are to incorporate, at a minimum, the following medical call screening:



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Dispatchers must document a positive travel history to any of the three African nations listed above for any call received with a complaint of fever. Calls for which there is a fever and positive travel history to Liberia, Sierra Leon, or Guinea should be reported to OCEMS at (714) 415-8980.

When patients with fever and positive travel history from an Ebola country are being transported, the receiving facility must be notified prior to arrival of the possibility of an Ebola infected patient.

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