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SUBJECT:

EMS RELATED EBOLA UPDATE #6

This memorandum is to confirm that the country of Mali has been added to the countries in West Africa that are affected by the Ebola outbreak. Screening questions for travel to Ebola risk countries should now include:

Sierra Leon Liberia Guinea Mali

To review, EMS patients with <u>fever</u> should be asked if there has been travel within the past twenty-one (21) days to one of the above countries. If fever and travel history are positive, suspected Ebola precautions should be used.

Other symptoms of Ebola infection include:

Abdominal cramps

Vomiting Diarrhea Headache

Unexplained bleeding

For more information regarding Ebola, go to http://ochealthinfo.com/phs/about/dcepi/epi/disease/ebola.

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