

# Oakland County Medical Control Authority EMS Advisory



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## **ATTENTION: Oakland County EMS**

As frontline EMS providers, you play an essential role in protecting the health and well being of our nation. In light of the recent presentation of Ebola-positive patients in Texas, we developed this plan for all EMS providers to prevent the spread of this disease. You can contribute to our country's response by being ready to detect a potentially infected patient; protect yourself, your colleagues, and other patients from exposure; and respond with appropriate patient care.

1. Detect: Oakland County Public Health is working with all PSAP's to incorporate the needed assessment questions of patients presenting with fever greater than 101.5, AND travel to West Africa or exposure to a sick person who traveled from West Africa, OR fever and direct handling of bats or nonhuman primates from disease-endemic areas.
2. Protect: Current recommendations for PPE include the following:
  - Goggles, mask, and face shield
  - Impermeable gloves or if using surgical gloves, double glove
  - Waterproof Gown
3. Respond: Minimize exposure to blood, vomit and feces. Wrap the patient in impermeable sheets (e.g. burn sheets) and place a surgical mask on the patient. Minimize touching any other surface after patient contact. Contact Medical Control early and transport to the closest appropriate facility.

The buddy system for doffing PPE at the hospital will take place and you will go through a decontamination process. All clothing will be destroyed. The EMS unit will be out of service until it is decontaminated.

The CDC website has all the up-to-date materials. Please refer to this website often!

**PLEASE CONTACT THE OCMCA FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS**

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