

## Ebola Update: August 7, 2014

Healix is closely monitoring the current outbreak of Ebola in West Africa, and will be sending regular updates and advice to our clients as the outbreak continues. For further medical and travel advice please contact Healix (more info below).

### EBOLA ALERT - 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2014

- The CDC (Centre for Disease Control and Prevention) has raised its alert level to 'Level 1 Activation' following the spread of the disease to Nigeria. 'Level 1 Activation' is the highest level possible, and is applied to only the most serious of public health emergencies. This is the first time this level has been reached since the Avian Flu threat in 2009.
- Liberia has declared a 'State of Emergency' that will be in effect for 90 days. Troops are being deployed to quarantine affected areas.
- Security forces have begun to quarantine the Kenema and Kailahun districts in eastern Sierra Leone. This quarantine will be in effect for at least 50 days.
- A Saudi citizen has died in Jeddah of an apparent Ebola infection after a business trip to Sierra Leone.
- Spanish authorities have today evacuated a Spanish citizen with Ebola from Liberia to Madrid. This follows the evacuations of two US citizens by American authorities earlier this week.
- We recommend suspension of all nonessential travel to Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea.
- Healix are in direct communications with medical facilities that are currently remaining open in Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia. Please contact Healix directly for further information on the readiness of medical facilities in these areas.

### Ebola Infection Table by Country

Country	Suspected and Confirmed Case Count	Suspected and Confirmed Case Deaths	Laboratory Confirmed Cases
Sierra Leone	691	286	576
Liberia	516	282	143
Guinea	495	363	351
Nigeria	9	1	0
Spain*	1	0	0
United States*	2	0	2
Saudi Arabia*	0	1	0

\*Persons transferred to these countries from Africa