

Ebola Update: August 27, 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.

Update:

- Nigeria has closed all its schools until 13 October to avoid spreading the Ebola virus. The academic year was to commence this Monday but the education minister has ordered the closures to allow staff time to be educated and trained to handle potential cases.
- On Tuesday British Airways announced they will extend the suspension of flights to Liberia and Sierra Leone through the end of 2014.
- The World Health Organization has removed its team from Kailahun, a region hit hardest in Sierra Leone near the Guinean border. Among others, three Canadian public health workers running a mobile laboratory testing for the virus and three WHO employees coordinating the tracing of victims' contacts have been pulled from the area. The aid group Doctors Without Borders will remain operating in Kailahun.

Clinics and Facilities Status in Affected Areas

Healix is in direct communication with those medical facilities that are still operating in the impacted regions. Please contact Healix directly for further information on the readiness of medical facilities in these areas.

Country Travel Advice Status

Sierra Leone: Warning Level 3 - Healix Recommend "Avoid Non-Essential Travel"
Guinea: Warning Level 3 - Healix Recommend "Avoid Non-Essential Travel"
Liberia: Warning Level 3 - Healix Recommend "Avoid Non-Essential Travel"
Nigeria: Alert Level 2 - Healix Recommend "Practice Enhanced Precautions"

Other African Nations Unaffected by Ebola

Healix recommend that travelers take usual precautions with vaccinations and travel arrangements but should be familiar with ["Ebola Precautions if Traveling to Africa."](#)

- Ebola Infection Table by Country (Updated as of 22 August):

Country	Suspected and Confirmed Case Count	Suspected and Confirmed Case Deaths	Laboratory Confirmed Cases
Sierra Leone	910	392	804
Liberia	1082	624	269
Guinea	607	406	443
Nigeria	16	5	12
Spain*	1	1	0
United States*	2	0	2
Saudi Arabia*	0	1	0
United Kingdom*	1	0	0
TOTAL	2,619	1,429	1,530

*Persons repatriated to these countries from affected countries