

Ebola Update: 10 December 2014

- Sierra Leone will launch a two-week lockdown in the Eastern district of Kono to control the rapid spread of Ebola. People will be allowed to move about within the district but not enter or leave until December 23rd.
- Junior doctors in Sierra Leone have gone on strike seeking the promise of better medical care should they contract the virus. Senior doctors have not gone on strike and the government's chief medical officer, Dr. Brima Kargbo, said he saw no disruption in medical service after a tour of the main government hospitals in the capital of Freetown.
- The rate of new cases reported in Liberia has decreased since mid-September but the country still records 12 new cases a day. Liberian President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf has announced a new campaign entitled "Ebola Must Go," which focuses on the community's role in ending the outbreak by observing health protocols and helping care for children whose caregivers have died. Kevin De Cock, the doctor leading the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Ebola effort in Liberia stresses that just because the rate of new cases is on the decline, the fight to contain the virus is not over yet.

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"
 Mali: 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 (based on WHO and CDC reporting, updated as of 9 December):

Country	Suspected and Confirmed Case Count	Suspected and Confirmed Deaths	Laboratory Confirmed Case Count
Sierra Leone	7798	1742	6317
Liberia	7719	3177	2830
Guinea	2283	1412	2035
Nigeria	20	8	19
Spain	1	0	1
United States	4	1	4
Senegal	1	0	1
Spain*	2	2	2
United States*	6	1	6
Saudi Arabia*	0	1	0
Germany*	3	1	3
United Kingdom*	1	0	1
France*	2	0	2
Norway*	1	0	1
Mali*	8	6	7
Switzerland*	1	0	1
Italy*	1	0	1
Netherlands*	1	0	1
DRC**	68	49	38
Total	17,920	6,400	11,270

*Persons repatriated to these countries from affected countries

**The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) outbreak is unrelated to the epidemic in West Africa

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