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Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Screening

Emergency Department screening criteria for patient isolation/testing are:

1. Fever, headache, joint and muscle aches, weakness, fatigue, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain and lack of appetite, and in some cases bleeding.

AND

2. Travel to West Africa (Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone or other countries where EVD transmission has been reported by WHO) within 21 days (3 weeks) of symptom onset.

If **both criteria** are met, the patient should be moved to a single room with a private bathroom and with the door to the hallway closed, and immediately implement STANDARD, CONTACT, and DROPLET precautions during further assessment.

Notify the hospital Infection control program and then **IMMEDIATELY** report the Person Under Investigation (PUI) for Ebola to the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) by calling the Public Health Emergency Line at **1-866-PUB-HLTH** (1-866-782-4584). All PUIs must be triaged by DPH prior to requesting testing.

