Happy Holidays! Fortunately our weekly updates have been reduced to monthly. Unfortunately the Ebola outbreak continues.

**Latest News**

- On December 3, the CDC started the process of designating Ebola Treatment Centers, as of today there are 44. This list is updated weekly. [http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/current-treatment-centers.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/current-treatment-centers.html)
- Travel Warning/Notice has been expanded. “Countries with widespread Ebola transmission continue to include Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Mali has now been added to the list of countries with localized transmission. CDC has instituted a level 2 travel notice for Mali and US airport screening for returned travelers now includes persons who have been in Mali in the past 21 days”: [http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/diseases/ebola](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/diseases/ebola)
- Phase One for Campus Health is complete.
- The North Carolina Biotechnology Center and the Triangle Global Health Consortium hosted a 5 hour seminar on December 8th, 2014 entitled “Ebola NC: Local Response - Global Impact” As you can see from the following agenda we were well represented and David has provided us his slides; which can be found here: [http://ehs.unc.edu/emergency/docs/weber-ebola.ppt](http://ehs.unc.edu/emergency/docs/weber-ebola.ppt).

**Agenda**

8:30 am: Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Doug Edgeton, MPH, MBA president and CEO, NC Biotechnology Center
- Congressman David Price U.S. Congressman: 4th District Of North Carolina
- Aldona Wos, MD State Department of Health and Human Services Secretary
- Claire Neal, MPH, CHES Executive Director, Triangle Global Health Consortium

9:00 am: Understanding Ebola

- William L. Roper, MD, MPH Stuart Bondurant Professor, Dean and CEO, UNC SOM and UNCH

9:25 am: Federal Coordination with Local Efforts

- Kathryn Brinsfield, MD, MPH Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Acting Chief Medical Officer for the Department of Homeland Security’s (DHS) Office of Health Affairs (OHA)

9:50 am: A CDC Field Perspective & Response to the Ebola Outbreak

- Jennifer MacFarquhar, R.N., M.P.H., C.I.C. Career Epidemiology Field Officer, (CDC)

10:10 am: NC Preparedness: the Local Response

- Julie Casani, MD, MPH Director of Public Health Preparedness and Response, NCDPH

10:50 am: Duke and UNC: Coordinating Locally and Globally

- David J. Weber, MD, MPH, MHA Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics, SOM, UNC Professor of Epidemiology, Gillings School of Global Public Health, UNC
11:10 am: Panel: NC Companies at the Forefront of Ebola Vaccines and Therapies
Chris LeGrand, MS (Panel Moderator) GRM Futures Group
Donna Altenpohl Vice President, US Policy, GlaxoSmithKline
Jeffrey Spaeder, MD Chief Medical and Scientific Officer, Quintiles
M. Michelle Berrey, MD, MPH President and Chief Executive Officer, Chimerix, Inc.

12:10 pm: The Role of Technology in Preventing, Protecting and Containing the Ebola Crisis
Kate Tulenko, MD, MPH, MPhil Vice President, Health Systems Innovation and Director, CapacityPlus Project, IntraHealth International
Dykki Settle Director, Health Workforce Informatics and Human Resources Information Systems (HRIS) leader of the CapacityPlus Health Informatics team, IntraHealth International

12:30 pm: On the Ground: How is Ebola Affecting Communities in West Africa?
William A. Fisher II, MD Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, University of North Carolina School of Medicine (VIA Video)

12:50 pm: Reflections on the Personal Impact of the Ebola Crisis
Lyttelton Braima Rotary Peace Fellow

» We have two returning doctors from West Africa this weekend and UNC will work with Orange County Health Department on their return.

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Happy Safe Holidays!
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» Phase One for Campus Health continues.

» There were two worthy presentations on campus this week.
  - The Ebola Town Meeting Will FACTS or FEARS determine our FUTURE? on Monday evening was well attended and informative.
  - UNC Student Global Health Committee presented “Reality of Ebola on the Ground Learn Locally, Support Globally” FEATURING: Dr. Saye Dahn Baawo Assistant Minister of Health for Curative Services at the Ministry of Health & Social Welfare in Liberia on Thursday, Nov. 20th 10:45AM – 12:30PM


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Happy Thanksgiving!
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» Facilities & Campus Health finalized their plans for the isolation room in Campus Health. Phase one has started.

» HR updated the SPA Conditions of Employment and EPA Non-Faculty/Faculty AP-2a forms as a result of the Ebola outbreak. These revisions cover travel restrictions and screening and reporting requirements for employees. Individuals who travel to/from affected nations and/or may have been exposed to the virus, must contact NC Communicable Disease Branch and UNC Environment, Health and Safety for a risk assessment prior to their return to any UNC-Chapel Hill and/or UNC Health Care facilities. All employees who are subject to a Conditions of Employment or AP-2a will now be required to acknowledge their responsibilities in regards to Ebola. In addition, employees should register for all international travel in the UNC Global Travel Registry (http://globaltravel.unc.edu/). This registry provides specific travel and risk-related guidance.

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*Upcoming event at UNC-CH*

Ebola Town Hall: Will FACTS or FEARS determine our FUTURE?

Monday, November 17, 2014 5:30-7:30

Targeting health affairs faculty, staff, students and community partners

Location: G200 Genome

All Visitors to Campus – Should be following the requirements the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services guidance at:


» Assessment and Monitoring of Asymptomatic Persons with Ebola Exposure

  o All persons arriving in North Carolina who travelled to or resided in a country with widespread Ebola transmission within the past 21 days should contact their local health department or the Communicable Disease Branch epidemiologist on call to undergo a thorough risk assessment.

  o Control measures will be recommended by the local health department based on findings of the risk assessment.
Another busy week of activity.

The UNCH training program for PPE, if working with an Ebola patient has started. This training is being coordinated by the School of Nursing, School of Medicine and UNC Healthcare. It is an in-depth, well designed program.

Facilities is working with Campus Health to finalize the plans for the isolation room in Campus Health. Phase one should start next week.

**National & Local News**

» A second Ebola virus test on a patient at Duke University Hospital has come back negative, the N.C. Department of Health and Human services said Wednesday. Read more here: [http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2014/11/06/5295823/2nd-ebola-test-on-nc-patient-is.html#storylink=cpy](http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2014/11/06/5295823/2nd-ebola-test-on-nc-patient-is.html#storylink=cpy)


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Join our community as we learn together about Ebola and how UNCH is preparing. This informative evening will include:

» Dr. Mary Tonges, Senior VP and Chief Nursing Officer for UNC Healthcare providing welcome

» Dr. William Fisher II, Assistant Professor of Medicine, who has had boots on the ground caring for Ebola patients in Liberia, will provide his perspectives.
Dr. Carol Durham, Clinical Professor of Nursing and Director, Education-Innovation-Simulation Learning Environment and
Dr. Benny Joyner, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Anesthesia and Clinical Co-Director of The Clinical Skills and Patient Simulation Center. Will discuss the interprofessional simulation that is being provided to assist healthcare providers rehearse their preparedness skills in collaboration with Dr. Fisher.
Mr. Dalton Sawyer, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator for UNC Healthcare, will share about UNCH preparedness
Dr. Rumay Alexander, Clinical Professor of Nursing & Director Office of Multicultural Affairs, will provide reflections on how our fears impact the way we interact with people

We will save a large portion of the time together for questions and answers

Dr. Donna Havens, Dean, School of Nursing, will provide closing comments.
This has been a busy week in Ebola preparedness planning. This is a very fluid situation with guidelines, changing rapidly. Please find links to the latest news and some activities we are working on at UNC-CH. Also I have attached a presentation which defines the members of the team, responsibilities and activities. This is an information sharing document.


» On Tuesday October 14th, there was a Time Sensitive – Communicable Disease Mandatory Employees and Related Policies memo sent out to School/Division Human Resources Officers requesting update of their CDME employees and their Communicable Disease Emergency Continuity of Operations plans.


» 10-21-2014: Gillings School of Public Health created this Ebola portal: http://sph.unc.edu/global-health/ebola/

» Ron Strauss is leading the efforts on drafting an email to campus on the Ebola activities and the related policies. Thanks to everyone who has been part of this process.

» This is the list of conference calls and meeting folks have participated this week on Ebola.
  o UNC-GA conference call related to Ebola planning 10/14 &10/21
  o Orange County Emergency Management and Health Department “911 Suspected Pandemic Epidemic Outbreak Meeting” 10/22
  o N.C. Department of Health and Human Services - All Partner Ebola Call 10/24
  o EHS & Campus Health meet to review response and cleanup procedures
  o Campus Health and P2P discussing sick student transport
  o EHS met with Public Safety to review status of planning and address concerns


» EHS Ebola website is being updated daily: http://ehs.unc.edu/emergency/ebola.shtml

» 10/17/2014: Updated Travel Warning Information for Campus: Outbreak of Ebola in Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Democratic Republic of Congo

Thanks everyone for your efforts!