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## Information from NYC Dept. of Health on Ebola

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Ebola is a severe, often fatal disease caused by a virus. A large outbreak is now occurring in West Africa. Please read below for instructions and information from the NYC Dept. of Health.

YOU CAN ONLY GET EBOLA FROM HAVING DIRECT CONTACT WITH ANOTHER SICK PERSON BY:

- Touching a person who is sick with Ebola.
- Touching a person who died from Ebola.
- Touching body fluids (blood, vomit, urine, feces, sweat) or objects soiled with the body fluids of a person sick with Ebola.

***You CANNOT get Ebola through the air or just by being near someone who has Ebola.***

IF YOU VISITED A COUNTRY AFFECTED BY THE OUTBREAK, AND DEVELOP A FEVER WITHIN 21 DAYS, SEEK MEDICAL CARE RIGHT AWAY.

- Alert the doctor's office or emergency room about your symptoms before going.

- Tell your doctor if you had direct contact with a person who might have had Ebola.

SYMPTOMS: FEVER, HEADACHE, WEAKNESS, VOMITING, DIARRHEA, STOMACH PAIN

Hospital staff WILL NOT ask you about immigration status. You WILL BE SEEN regardless of ability to pay.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 311