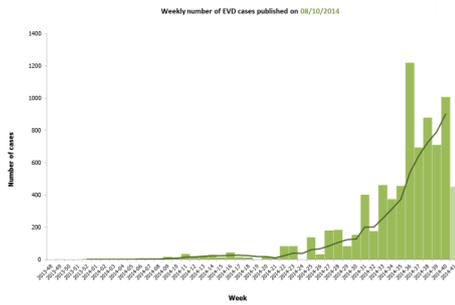




EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE (EVD) - West Africa Outbreak Update

Week 41,
5-11 Oct , 2014



Case Count:
Source - WHO



Latest News - Headline

Source - Internationalsos.com, CDC, WHO, Health Map, Promed

COUNTRY	CASES	DEATHS	Deaths/Total Cases (%)
Countries with widespread and intense transmission			
LIBERIA	4076 (201)	2316 (95)	56.8
SIERRA LEONE	2950 (129)	930 (95)	31.5
GUINEA	1350 (74)	778 (38)	57.6
TOTAL	8376 (404)	4024 (228)	48.0
Countries with initial case or cases or with localized transmission			
NIGERIA	No New case since 8 th Sept.14		
SENEGAL	No New case since 5 th Sept.14		
Separate un-related EVD outbreak			
DR CONGO *	71 (8)	43 (8)	60.5
OMAN	0	0	0

Note: Numbers in the parenthesis denote affected HCW's
USA - 1 Imported Case, Spain - 1 case (First H2H transmission outside Africa)

11 October:

Spain: The nurse's condition is said to be improving, following treatment with ZMapp.

10 October:

WHO: In Nigeria, all 891 contacts have now completed 21-day follow-up. A second EVD-negative sample was obtained from the last confirmed case on 8 September (32 days ago).

In Senegal, all contacts have now completed 21-day follow-up, with no further cases of EVD reported. A second EVD-negative sample was obtained from the single confirmed case in Senegal on 5 September (35 days ago).

In the USA, 48 possible contacts are being followed up for 21 days. In Spain, identification of close contacts for daily monitoring is under way.

Sierra Leone: Koinadugu remains the only district without confirmed cases of Ebola. Travel restrictions are in place for seven of the country's 12 districts - medical clearance and special permits are required.

Liberia: Unverified reports indicate that over 1300 peace-keepers of the Nigerian Army are under monitoring after unspecified contact with a Sudanese man who came to their camp, and died of Ebola.

9 October:

United Kingdom: Media reports state that UK authorities may add "enhanced screening" for travelers arriving from Ebola-affected areas at Heathrow and Gatwick airports and at Eurostar train terminals.

United States: The possible contact of the confirmed case who was under investigation in Dallas has tested negative for Ebola. Traveler's arriving from Ebola areas will be observed for signs of illness, asked questions about their health and exposure to Ebola, and reminded to monitor their health for symptoms. Their temperature will also be measured.

Liberia, Germany: A second member of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) team has been infected with Ebola. He has since been evacuated from Liberia to Leipzig, Germany for treatment in the St. Georg Hospital. He is the third Ebola case to be treated in the country.

8 October:

United States: The man hospitalized with Ebola in Dallas died.

Liberia: There are several reports that the government will restrict media coverage at health facilities to protect the privacy of patients and HCW's and to ensure the safety of staff and journalists. One has to take advance approval from the MoH.

Sierra Leone, Norway: A Norwegian aid worker has been infected with Ebola in Sierra Leone while volunteering with MSF in Bo district. She was isolated and has been repatriated to Norway to receive treatment in Oslo.

7 October:

Nigeria: The US CDC downgraded its travel advisory for Nigeria to its lowest level (Level 1 - watch). Risk of infection there has decreased as the nation's limited outbreak was brought under control. No new cases have been reported since early September.

Liberia: The World Health Organization (WHO) and Ministry of Health have launched a new training program for healthcare workers in Monrovia. At least six people who survived Ebola infections will participate and share their experiences.

6 October:

Spain: A nurse who cared for two Ebola patients evacuated from Liberia and Sierra Leone in August and September has been confirmed infected with the virus. This is the first known instance of a person being infected with Ebola outside Africa.

United States: Media sources have reported that the American patient, a photojournalist infected with Ebola in Liberia, will be arriving in the country today and admitted to Nebraska Medical Centre.

5 October:

Sierra Leone: The Public Health Agency of Canada has deployed a second field laboratory and staff to join an existing PHAC team working in Kailahun, eastern Sierra Leone. The laboratories will contribute to efforts to rapidly diagnose Ebola.

WHO: has issued a position paper on the use of convalescent blood or plasma in treating Ebola outbreaks. http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/135591/1/WHO_HIS_SDS_2014.8_eng.pdf

