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Ebola Virus Disease contingency plans

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A territorial working group with the Nunavut Department of Health has developed Ebola virus disease contingency plans. This plan is a guide for health care professionals in the unlikely event of a patient presenting at a health facility in Nunavut with Ebola-like symptoms and a history of recent travel to an area of high risk.

Nunavut's Chief Medical Officer of Health and other health officials have had discussions and planning meetings with colleagues across Canada and the Public Health Agency of Canada on the Ebola virus disease.

There has never been a suspected case of Ebola in Nunavut. The risk to Nunavummiut remains very low. Ebola does not spread easily from person to person. The virus is spread through direct contact with infected bodily fluids from someone who is sick with Ebola, not through casual contact.

For more information on Ebola, please go to the Department of Health website: http://gov.nu.ca/health.

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