

Public Service Announcement

Travel advisory for hantavirus and Ebola

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Nunavut-wide

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The office of the chief public health officer is monitoring recent outbreaks of hantavirus and Ebola (viral hemorrhagic fever). These include the Andes hantavirus outbreak linked to a cruise ship in Latin America, and the viral hemorrhagic fever outbreak reported in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, and neighbouring areas. The risk of an introduction of these viruses into Nunavut is low, however Nunavummiut are advised to take precautions, and to plan ahead to protect their health before travelling outside of Nunavut.

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) continues to work with border health partners, including the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), to reduce the risk of communicable diseases entering Canada.

Nunavummiut who have recently travelled outside of the territory, specifically internationally, and suspect that they may have been exposed to an infectious disease should call their local health centre or clinic for advice before seeking in-person care.

Nunavummiut with international travel plans should consult the travel health notices posted on the [travel health notices](#) page of the Public Health Agency of Canada website and check in with their health-care provider ahead of time to ensure their immunization is up to date and discuss other preventive health measures recommended for their destination.

Up to date information on hantavirus and Ebola is available on the [Public Health Agency of Canada](#) website.

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