

IDENTIFY, ISOLATE, INFORM

Evaluation and Management of Patients Under Investigation for Infectious Diseases

1. IDENTIFY EXPOSURE:

- » Has patient recently (in the past 30 days) traveled internationally or been in contact with someone who has?

NO

- » Continue with usual triage and assessment.

YES

2. IDENTIFY SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:

- » Is patient displaying signs and symptoms of a possible infectious disease? Examples may include: fever, rash, respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath), headache, vomiting, abdominal pain and hemorrhage.

NO

- » Continue with usual triage and assessment.
- » Advise the patient on symptoms to self-observe for based on the location and time since travel.

YES

3. ISOLATE PATIENT AND DON APPROPRIATE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE).

- » Isolate patient in a private room. Only personnel essential to patient evaluation and care should have access to minimize transmission risk. PPE selection is determined by patient's clinical status.

YES

4. IMMEDIATELY INFORM AND REPORT A SUSPECTED INFECTIOUS DISEASE TO:

- » The facility infection control program and other appropriate staff.
- » ADPH, Division of Infectious Diseases and Outbreaks: 800-338-8374



KNOW YOUR RESOURCES

For more information on infectious diseases, appropriate protocol, PPE and guidance for travel, visit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at:

www.cdc.gov

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