** EMS Checklist: Suspected Ebola Patients **

EMS Screening

**Suspected Ebola Screening Criteria = Travel + Any one symptom below:**

* Have you traveled or been in direct contact with an individual who has traveled to an affected region in the past 21 days?
* Positive for Signs and Symptoms?
* fever > 101.5  fatigue  nausea/vomiting/diarrhea  muscle cramps  severe headache
* abdominal pain  unexplained hemorrhage

Exposure/Infection Control

**Proper PPE?**

* + Gowns, gloves, eye protection, N-95 respirator
  + Consider patient PPE and isolation from others
  + If available use full facial/body droplet protection, including boot/leg splash protection
  + Avoid intubation, nebulizers, suction etc. if possible

Transporting

**Providence is the hospital for Ebola patients in Snohomish County**

**Notify Snohomish County Public Health 24/7 425-339-5278 – On Scene Before Transport**

Clearly state in your short report to the ED the following:

* + “Transporting a possible Ebola patient”
  + Positive assessment signs and symptoms
  + Vitals including temperature
  + Supportive care and ETA

Documentation

* ePCR, all **suspected** Ebola patient reports must include a brief description of assessment findings that may qualify them for further Ebola screening in the ED

Disinfecting/Sanitizing

* Isolate transport unit
* Sanitize all equipment and interior with an EPA registered hospital disinfectant approved for Noro-Rota-Adeno and or polio virus in full PPE
* Remove and discard all PPE used in a sealed biohazard bag put into a biohazards waste bin

Refusal of Treatment or Transport

* Discuss the possible risks and hazards, if patient refuses treatment or transport or further ED evaluation
* In the event the EMS screening is positive, contact medical control from the scene stating the patient’s full name, DOB, gender, address and phone number of the patient refusing transport
* The ED requires this information when reporting to the local and state public health authorities that this patient now falls under PUI “Person Under Investigation” for EVD