

Ebola Awareness

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- Ebola is real and can kill you
- Ebola is spreading in communities now
- Antibiotics do not kill Ebola
- BUT getting immediate treatment at an Ebola centre increases the chance of recovery







Ebola is spread by direct contact

- To become infected, you must touch a sick person or their body fluids. People at highest risk are:
 - o Family members
 - o Healthcare workers
 - People attending funerals



Contact with **Dead bodies** can cause infection. BE CAREFUL

- DO NOT wash, touch or kiss dead bodies
- DO NOT wash hands in the same bucket as others who have touched the body





What does Ebola feel like?



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VOMITING May contain blood

DIARRHOEA May contain blood

RASH, RED EYES

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BLEEDING (including from nose, mouth, skin)



YOU CAN BECOME VERY SICK





MANY PEOPLE WITH EBOLA DIE BUT some people will recover – GETTING HELP immediately increases the chance of recovery







How <u>NOT</u> to catch Ebola?



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YOU CAN CATCH EBOLA FROM SOMEONE WHO IS SICK OR DEAD



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VOMIT

FAECES OR DIARRHOEA



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Dead bodies carry the virus. Bury carefully. Keep away.





DEAD BODY



Ebola can live on surfaces for hours, even for several days

Regularly clean things people touch

Use diluted household bleach according to the instructions



WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN Use SOAP





EBOLA is in animals and bats too.

- Only eat well cooked meat
- Avoid forest animals that are sick or found dead
- Avoid bats and bat meat







If you get sick



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If you touched a sick person or their body fluids







GET HELP EARLY!

Call your medical centre and tell them what has happened

Listen to the advice. You may be sent to a special hospital

Don't let anyone touch you

Be especially careful of your vomit and diarrhoea

Getting assessed and treated immediately at Ebola centres increases the chance of recovery



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