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MEMORANDUM TO: Paramedic Service Chiefs, Ornge
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FROM: Preston Holmes
Senior Manager Operations
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RE: **Training Bulletin Issue Number 114, version 3.0
Ebola Virus Disease**

I am pleased to present the revised Ebola Virus Disease Training Bulletin Issue Number 114 version 3.0, which provides guidance to certified ambulance service providers and Ontario paramedics when addressing viral outbreaks in general and specifically, Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) that continues to emerge from West Africa. This Training Bulletin replaces version 2.1 that was issued on October 24, 2014.

The revised training bulletin includes:

- Addition of a definition section;
- Introduction of the three tier hospital model for managing EVD patients;
- Summary regarding the Updated *EVD Screening Tool for Paramedic Services*, issued on March 4, 2015;
- Outline of Point of Care Risk Assessment;
- Update to the requirements of PPE;
- Recommendations from MAC for the Paramedic Medical Procedures and Medication Administration;
- Outline of Transportation of Patients.

These changes and additions are consistent with the updated Ebola Virus Disease Directive #2 for Paramedic Services (Land and Air Ambulance), revised on April 13, 2015. This Training Bulletin also provides the direct link to the Directive and should be read in conjunction with the Directive to ensure consistency.

The responsibility for the maintenance of the *EVD Screening Tool for Paramedic Services* has been transferred from Public Health Ontario (PHO) to the Emergency Health Services Branch (EHSB).

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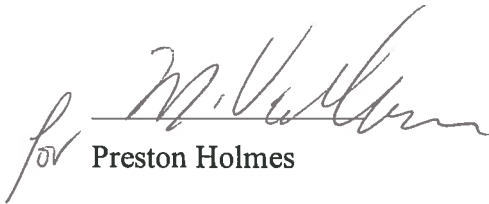
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The EVD Training Bulletin is considered to be in effect immediately. Therefore, you are urged to share this information among staff and peers at the earliest opportunity.

Training Bulletin Number 114 – Ebola Virus Disease is attached in PDF format. Additionally, the Training Bulletin will be made available on the www.ambulance-transition.com website shortly.

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Lyons, Paramedic Standards and Certification Coordinator at (416) 327-7852.

Sincerely,


for Preston Holmes

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