Clinical Advisory

To: EMTs, Paramedics, Advanced Paramedics, Call Takers, Call Dispatchers, Supervisors, Managers  
c.c.: NAS Leadership Team  
From: Medical Director  
Date: September 19th 2014  
Subject: EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE - UPDATE  

Dear colleagues,  

Further to Clinical Advisory on EVD issued on August 20th, please find below an update:  

1. The Risk Assessment Tool issued on August 20th (version 1.7 19082014) has been revised by Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC). **Version 1.7 is now withdrawn and should not be used. Effective immediately, version 2.0 08092014 is now authorised for use.** The phrase “Ambulance Service VHF Procedures Activated” indicates the following should be done:  
   - Don PPE as per the risk assessment tool  
   - Notify Control of the EVD status of the patient  

2. Countries now affected by EVD are as follows:  
   - Guinea  
   - Liberia  
   - Nigeria  
   - Senegal  
   - Sierra Leone  
   - Democratic Republic of the Congo  

The countries affected may change – ambulance practitioners should contact Control as required if assessing a patient’s travel or contact history.  

**Control staff should, on a daily basis, review the HPSC website [www.hpsc.ie](http://www.hpsc.ie) for updates on affected countries.**  

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