

# Rensselaer Ebola Safety Precautions

The 2014 Ebola epidemic is affecting multiple countries in West Africa and certain locations in the United States. The most effective way to protect the Rensselaer community is to be proactive and vigilant. The Institute is taking the following precautionary steps to help all members of the campus community avoid contact with Ebola.

## Up-To-Date Information: [rpi.edu/ebola](http://rpi.edu/ebola)



### RENSSELAER TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

The following protocols are in effect until further notice:

**No travel to Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Sierra Leone, Mali, Liberia, Senegal, Democratic Republic of the Congo, The Gambia, Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast), Benin, Ghana, Togo, Burkina Faso**

#### STUDENTS:

- **NO** university authorized travel to the above countries
- Personal travel to or through the above countries:

You **MUST** contact Dean of Students (276-6266) before traveling and you

**MUST** call Student Health Center (276-6287) before returning to campus

#### FACULTY & STAFF:

- **NO** university authorized travel to the above countries
- Personal Travel is **strongly discouraged** to the above countries. If you still plan to travel:

**Faculty** must contact the Provost (276-6487) before traveling

**Staff** must contact Human Resources (276-6302) before traveling

Before returning to campus, Faculty and Staff must be cleared by the Rensselaer occupational physician. Contact Human Resources (276-6302)

#### VISITORS:

- Visitors to either the Troy or Hartford campus from the above countries will be required to contact:

**Student Visitors:** Student Health Center (276-6287)

**Faculty Visitors:** Provost (276-6487)

**Staff Visitors:** Human Resources (276-6302)

- Complete a questionnaire prior to coming to campus. Questionnaires can be obtained from the Student Health Center website: [studenthealth.rpi.edu](http://studenthealth.rpi.edu)



### DETECTION & PREVENTION

Have you traveled to or through the restricted countries?

Have you had direct contact with an infected person?

#### SCREENING REQUIREMENTS:

You should be screened if you meet the following requirements:

- Travel to any of the above countries
- Accepting visitors from any of the above countries
- Caring for anyone who has been diagnosed with Ebola in or out of the country

#### SYMPTOMS:

- Fever
- Severe body aches
- Vomiting
- Severe headaches
- Diarrhea
- Unexplained bleeding or bruising
- Abdominal pain

#### TRANSMISSION:

You can get Ebola from:

- Direct skin contact with an infected person
- Touching bodily fluids of an infected person
- Exposure to contaminated objects, such as needles

You cannot get Ebola from:

- Air
- Water
- Food

*If you have been exposed and need to be screened: STUDENTS – Student Health Center (276-6287); FACULTY/STAFF – Human Resources (276-6302); VISITORS – Student Health Center (276-6287) and complete questionnaire on Student Health Center website: [studenthealth.rpi.edu](http://studenthealth.rpi.edu)*



#### CONTACT INFO:

Student Health Center: 518-276-6287 or [studenthealth.rpi.edu](http://studenthealth.rpi.edu)

Human Resources: 276-6302



#### KEEP INFORMED

**Rensselaer website:** [www.rpi.edu/ebola](http://www.rpi.edu/ebola)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

World Health Organization (WHO): [www.who.org](http://www.who.org)

New York State Department of Health: [www.health.ny.gov](http://www.health.ny.gov)