Better health through laboratory medicine.

All Systems Go: Lab Safety and POCT in the Ebola Assessment Center



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Objectives:

- Review our experiences with an infectious disease crisis.
- Evaluate the POCT options in the Infectious Disease Unit Laboratory.
- Outline steps to take to ensure patient and staff safety in the face of a potentially dangerous outbreak.



The Ebola Outbreak:

- Began March 2014
- Laboratory-Confirmed Cases: 15,255
- Total Cases (Suspected, Probable, and Confirmed): 28,646

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- Total Deaths: 11,323
- Officially Ended On March 29, 2016



Response in the U.S.





A Tiered Approach

	Treatment Centers	 >1 Month of care
	Assessment Centers	 Lab Testing, Hold patient 5 days or less
	Frontline Hospitals	 Identify, isolate, inform



Frontline

Healthcare Facility



Quickly identifies and isolates patients with possible Ebola



Notifies facility infection control and state and local public health officials



Has enough Ebola personal protective equipment (PPE) for at least 12–24 hours of care

Prepares for patient transfer, if needed

Ebola Assessment Hospital



Safely receives and isolates a patient with possible Ebola



5 days Provides immediate laboratory evaluation and coordinates Ebola

testing Cares for a patient for up to 5 days (including evaluation and management of alternative diagnoses) until Ebola diagnosis is confirmed or ruled out



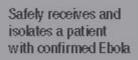
Has enough Ebola PPE for up to 5 days of care

Transfers a patient with confirmed Ebola to an Ebola treatment center in consultation with public health officials

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Ebola Treatment Center







Cares for patients with Ebola for duration of illness



Has enough Ebola PPE for at least 7 days of care (will restock as needed)



CERT

Has sustainable staffing plan to manage several weeks of care

CDC Ebola Response Teams (CERTs) are ready to deploy to provide assistance as needed

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Sentara Princess Anne Hospital





Assessment Facility Needs

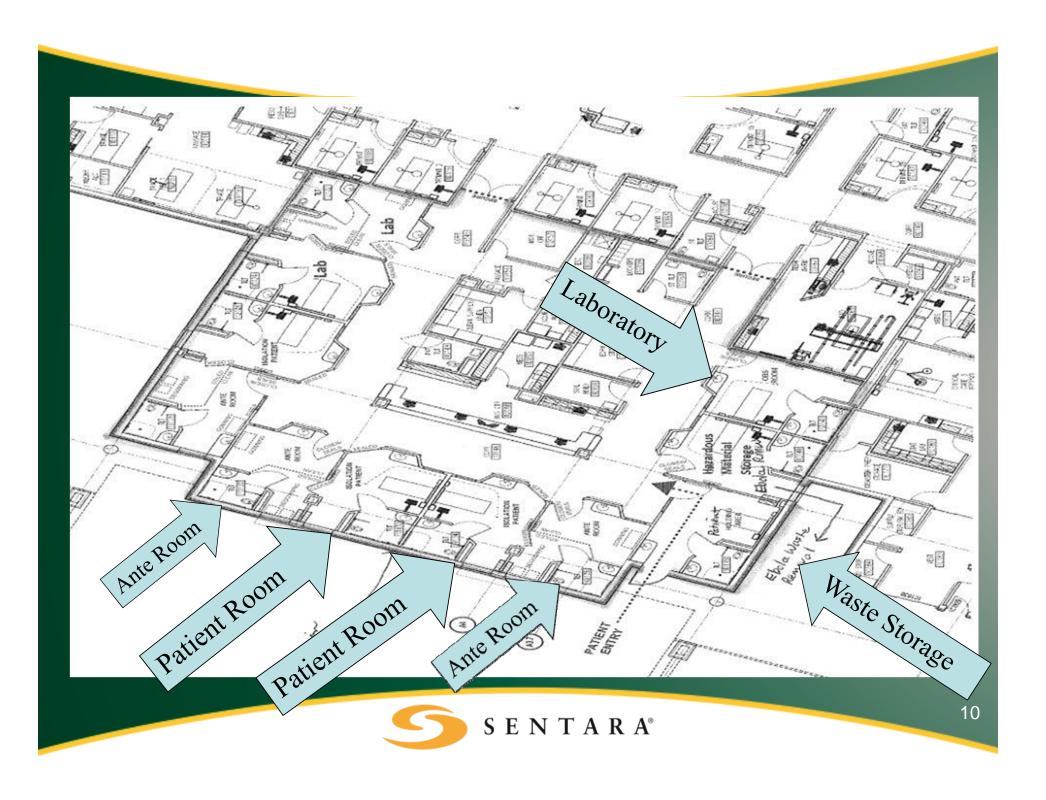
- Pre-hospital Transport Plan
- EMS and ED Preparedness
- Internal patient transport
- Patient placement
- Care team staffing
- PPE/Donning/Doffing procedures



Assessment Facility Needs

- Employee Health monitoring
- Lab Safety
- Infection Control
- Waste Management
- Communications
- Management of deceased
- Special populations











Laboratory Testing Pathways

• POCT

 Performed by RNs in patient room

• Lab

- Performed by Technologists in containment unit Laboratory
- Performed by External Lab (state, CDC)



Nurse Training

- Blood collection
- Hand offs
- POCT Test Menu
 - UA Dipstick (manual read)
 - i-STAT







i-Stat Test Menu

- ABG (G3+)
- Lytes, Gluc, BUN, iCA, H/H (CHEM 8)
- Measured HCT, Calculated HGB
- Lactate (CG4+)
- Includes ABG
- Glucose—i-STAT, not glucose meter
- Special considerations: All wastes disposed in designated container in room



Test Result Entry

- Urine Dipstick
 - Manual form
 - Hand off to Lab tech
- i-STAT
 - Downloader
- Quality Control
 - Lab Tech perform & document



Infectious Disease Lab Tests

- CBC
 - Automated 3 part differential





Infectious Disease Lab Tests

• Chemistries

- Chem Panel (Alb, Phos, Mg)
- Liver Panel (Alb, ALP, ALT, Amylase, AST, GGT, Tbili, Total Protein)





Infectious Disease Lab Tests

- Malaria Testing
- Influenza Testing
- Rapid Strep Testing
- Protime
- Blood Culture Analysis
 - Incubator
 - Gram Stains







- Analyzer Operation
- Result Entry
- Hand-offs
- Packaging & Shipping
- Special Safety Training

















• Working in PPE



• PPE





Equipment/Other Considerations

- BSC
- Centrifuge
- Incubator
- Refrigerator

- Chemical Waste
- Biohazard Waste
- Space



Lessons Learned

- Flexibility
- Keep Going
- Resources
- Ready for the Future



All Systems Go!



Questions?

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