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To: CMOH

Subject: Ebola Virus Disease -- Revised CMOH Directive #1 -- October 30, 2014

Dear All,

Please find attached a revised version of the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) Directive for Acute Care Settings concerning precautions and procedures for Ebola virus disease (EVD). This version replaces the Directive #1 that was issued on October 17, 2014. A fact sheet summarizing changes to the Directive has also been attached.

Please note, specific to this Directive, there is reference to an algorithm to support decision-making on the selection of personal protective equipment for health care workers conducting screening/triage in emergency departments (ED). The tool will be available **shortly** on the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Ebola virus disease website at www.ontario.ca/ebola, and when ready, will also be disseminated electronically. In addition, the ministry is working as quickly as possible to consult on and finalize the other priority Directives on Emergency Medical Services, Primary Care and Training and these will be issued as soon as possible.

This Directive is being shared with CEOs of Hospitals, Local Health Integration Networks; Public Health Units, health system associations, unions and regulatory bodies. Please share with your staff, partners and members. This Directive will also be made available on the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Ebola virus disease Website at www.ontario.ca/ebola in English and French.

Health care workers and health sector employers may contact the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Health Care Provider Hotline by phone at 1-866-212-2272 or by email at emergencymanagement.moh@ontario.ca with any questions or concerns about Ontario's health system readiness for EVD.

Thank you,

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