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What is Ebola?

Ebola is a killer disease caused by a virus. It spreads quickly from person to person, kills in a short time, BUT can be prevented.

Signs & Symptoms



FEVER



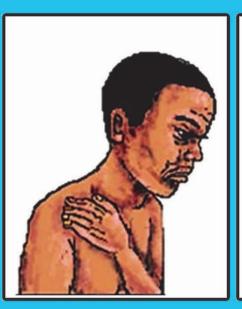
VOMITING Sometimes bloody



DIARRHOEA Sometimes bloody



BLEEDING



MUSCLE OR JOINT PAIN



SKIN RASH

How is Ebola spread?

It is spread through:

Direct contact with wounds, body fluids like blood, saliva, vomitus, stool, urine of an infected person or splashing of such fluids from an infected person to another person and un-sterilized injections.

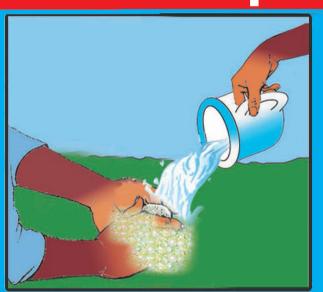
Using skin piercing instruments that have been used by an infected person.

Direct physical handling of persons who have died of Ebola.

Eating bush meats, especially monkeys, chimpanzees, bats, or dead animals.

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How to prevent Ebola



Wash hands with soap after touching a sick person.



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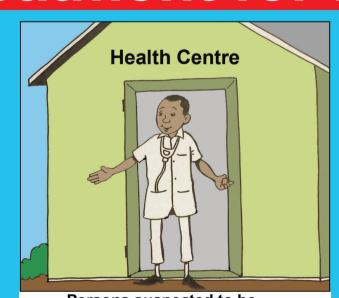


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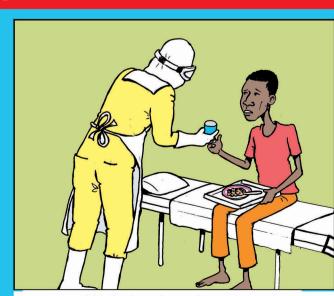


Persons suspected to have died of Ebola must be reported immediately to a health worker. Avoid washing the body and bury immediately.

Treatment for Ebola



Persons suspected to be suffering from Ebola should be referred to the nearest health facility immediately.



Early treatment can increase one's chances of survival. Hospital care is free and includes food, drink, and medications.



With good care, some patients will survive Ebola and re-enter their communities. Make them welcome and do not stigmatize them.