Traveled in past 21 days to any countries where VHF is circulating**

Available at Emerging Pathogens Insite:
insite.ahs.ca/emergingpathogens

YES

Patient presents with fever (>38.0°C) (documented or history in last 24h)

NO

Have they had recent international travel?

YES

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- No further assessment to be done until patient is isolated.
- Don contact and droplet PPE.
- Put a procedure (surgical) mask on the patient.
- Maintain a distance of 2m from patient and not touching the patient.
- As QUICKLY as possible, place patient in single room with hard walls, a door and a dedicated toilet or commode.
- If the patient must wait for the room to be prepared, the patient should be isolated at the triage area or another area in the ED where access can be controlled. All staff to wear PPE within 2m of patient.

Immediately notify ED/UCC Physician
Immediately notify NP and Charge Nurse. The ED/UCC Physician or NP will contact the MOH and IPC as soon as possible.

- Once patient is in single room use Contact & Droplet Precautions: Suspected/Confirmed Viral Hemorrhagic Fever including**:
  - surgical mask, faceshield, hair cover and full neck hood;
  - leg covers and fluid impermeable gown OR coverall;
  - gloves and apron.
- Initiate logging of everyone entering the patient's room.
- Don VHF PPE following the sequences here:
  https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/Page10531.aspx

Do not start IVs, draw blood or collect other samples until patient is seen by the ED/UCC physician or NP. Any and all lab testing (including urine samples) must be approved by zone MOH.

Once the patient is moved to the isolation room, clean the areas in triage that the patient has been in contact with following the AHS recommended guidelines.

Zone MOH contact information
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