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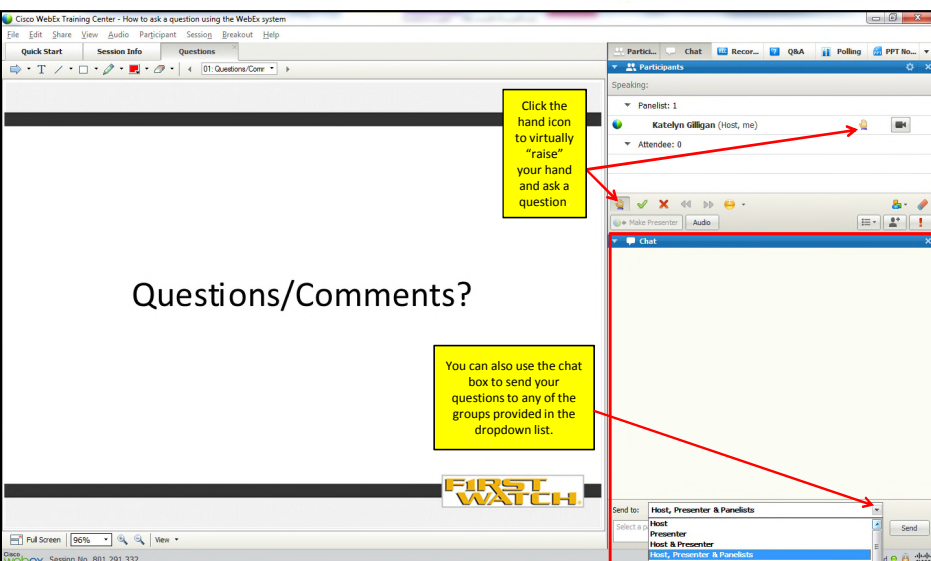
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Agenda:

- ▶ Purpose & Rules of Engagement
- ▶ Ebola Overview
- ▶ FirstWatch Situation Report
- ▶ Invited Guests:
 - Grady EMS
 - Emory Hospital
- ▶ International Situation Report
- ▶ Q&A (as time allows)



Purpose:

- Overview/update of Ebola Activity worldwide
- Participate in International SitRep describing significant Ebola activities of the previous week and concerns upcoming for the next week.
- Share solutions regarding specific challenges posed by Ebola
- Receive FirstWatch SitRep on Ebola surveillance activity
- Listen to guest speakers on select issues



Rules of Engagement

- ▶ Session will conclude after 60 minutes
- ▶ The session will concentrate on harvesting and sharing different Ebola experiences and innovations, not assessing the degree of readiness of each service.
- ▶ Session materials can be sent to eid@ParamedicChiefs.ca for posting on Paramedic Chiefs of Canada website
- ▶ Please keep your comments brief



Ebola Overview:



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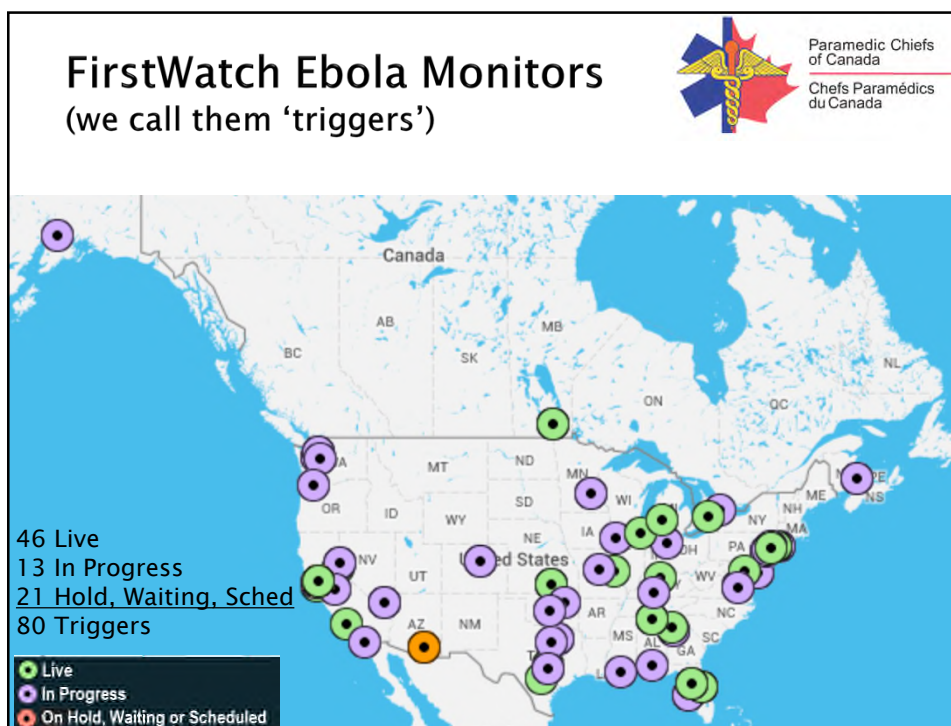
FirstWatch SitRep:



Todd Stout

- Ebola monitoring for EMS
- Overview / big picture
- Best practices
- Other information to share
- Q&A
- www.firstwatch.net/hi

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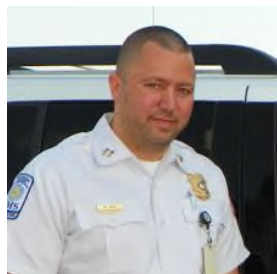
Surveillance Best Practices (so far):

- ▶ If symptoms, ask travel/contact, fever
 - Avoid similar positive & negative documentation
- ▶ 29 ePCR/RMS-based
 - Combination of impressions, temp, custom questions/surveys, free-text
- ▶ 17 ProQA/Paramount (EMD)
 - Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) Form
 - To be released this week
 - Codes, free text for travel or contact w/traveler
- ▶ 33 CAD-based
 - Combination of chief complaint, user-fields & free-text
- ▶ 1 Hospital Emergency Dept-based

Guest Speakers: Grady EMS & Emory Hospital



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Interim Director of EMS
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Emory University School of Medicine and
Director, Section of Prehospital
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Transport of Patients with Serious Communicable Dz

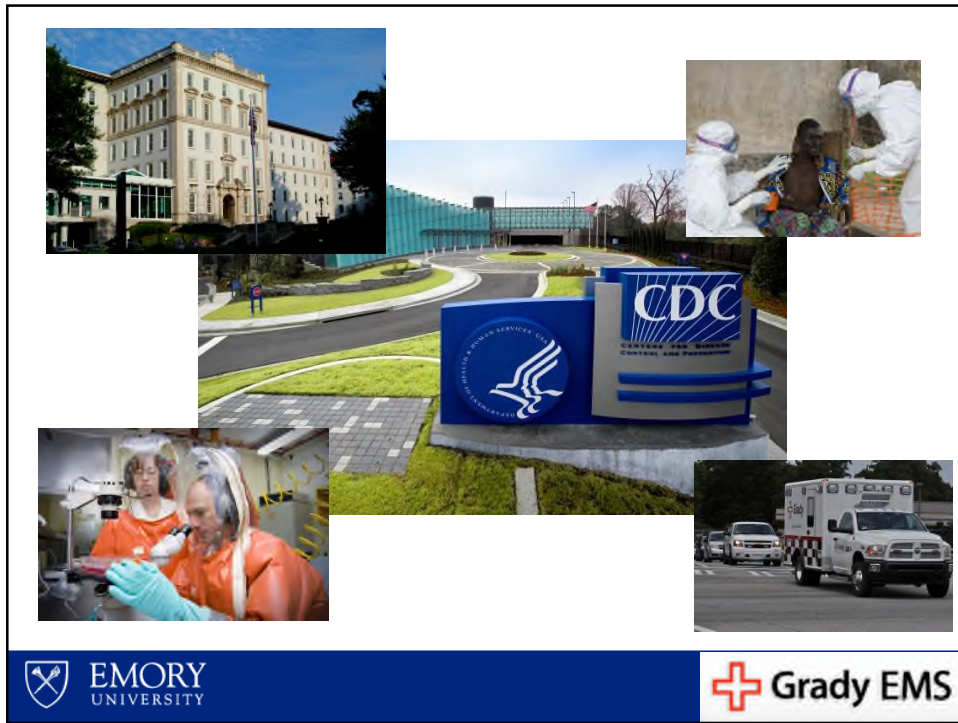
Alexander Isakov, MD, MPH

Wade Miles, EMT-P

Aaron Jamison EMT-P

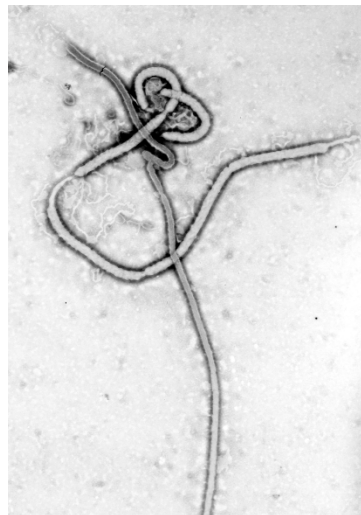
Arthur Yancey, MD, MPH





Education: Serious Pathogens

- Route of transmission
- **Infection control**
- Immunization, prophylaxis
- Post-exposure prophylaxis
- Treatment



Competency based training Doffing PPE



Cluster of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Cases Among Protected Health-Care Workers -- Toronto, Canada, April 2003



Vehicle preparation



PPE and equipment selection



Patient arrival

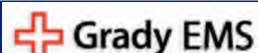


Ambulance disinfection Mission recovery

- Driver compartment isolation and patient compartment barrier drapes
- Decon, disinfection of ambulance, PPE doffing and waste removal
ALL SUPERVISED
- Surveillance



Community Considerations



Questions?



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Situation Report (SitRep) Format:

- ▶ Your Name & Organization
- ▶ Impact of Ebola on:
 - Call Volumes
 - Staffing/Performance
 - Health Facility Services
- ▶ Innovation of the week (big or small) for:
 - Your service
 - Your staff
 - Your healthcare facilities
- ▶ Most important lesson learned this week
- ▶ Topics / Issues for today's roundtable or for future discussion.



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Next call information

- ▶ Thursdays
 - 10am PDT, 11am MDT, 12pm CDT, 1pm EDT, 2pm ADT
- ▶ Online: <http://firstwatch.webex.com/training>
 - Password: **ebolaems**
- ▶ **Same** Conference Call Info:
 - Dial: +1 (877) 668-4490 or +1 (408) 792-6300
 - Conference / Session Code: **806 421 582#**
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Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) Resource Page

- ▶ If you have information you'd like us to include on the EID Resources page, please send your email to: eid@paramedicchiefs.ca
- ▶ Please also include (for example):
 - **Document Submission Date:** October 16, 2014
 - **Document Title:** CDC Key Messages – Ebola Virus Disease
 - **Document Description:** The Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) continues to work with other U.S. government agencies, the World Health Organization (WHO), and other domestic and international partners in an international response to the current Ebola outbreak in West Africa. The attached document summarizes key messages about the outbreak and the response and *is current through October 16, 2014*. It will be updated as new information becomes available and distributed regularly.



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Thank You

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