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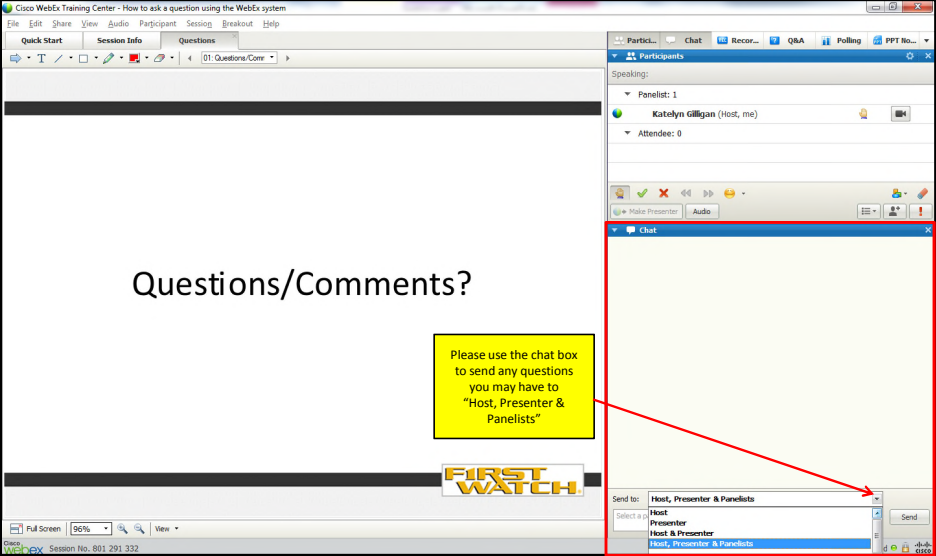
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Agenda:

- Update of Ebola activity worldwide
 - Dr. Alex Garza
- Ebola Working Group timeline
- Quick survey
- Discussion of what we have learned in preparation for similar events in the future
 - Real-world EMS
 - Webinars & Information Sharing
- When would we re-activate the group?
- Resources for EMS Agencies





Ebola Overview:



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EMS Ebola Working Group (EWG) Timeline...



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1st North American Ebola patient: Sept. 30, 2014

October:

October 9, 2014
Chief Norman Seals, **Dallas Fire Department** experience transporting Thomas Duncan

October 16, 2014
Chief Lloyd Rupp & Dr. John Lowe, **Omaha Fire & Univ. of Nebraska Medical Center** (multiple patients)
Dr. Fivaz & Dr. Clawson, IAED

October 23, 2014
Wade Miles, Aaron Jamison & Dr. Alexander Isakov, **Grady EMS & Emory Hospital** (multiple patients)

October 30, 2014
Dr. Russell MacDonald, Ebola 101

November:


November 6, 2014
Peter Simpson & Catherine Jackson-Cole, **Sierra Leone** Experience

November 20, 2014
Dr. Richard Alcorta, Maryland's statewide implementation of the IAED Emerging Infectious Disease Tool

December:

December 4, 2014
Chief Bergamini & Captain Miano, **FDNY's** experience transporting Dr. Craig Spencer

December 18, 2014
Dr. Edward Racht, **AMR's** approach to transporting Ebola patients in Dallas



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Survey Questions...



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Discussion

- What have we learned in preparation for similar events in the future?
 - Real-world EMS
 - Webinars & Information Sharing
 - Survey results



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When to re-activate these sessions?

- 1) More Ebola Activity
- 2) Next issue/infectious disease



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Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) Resources

- ▶ General information: www.paramedicchiefs.ca/eid
- ▶ For a complete list of Questions and Answers from these webinars, see: www.paramedicchiefs.ca/faqs-ebola
- ▶ Resources submitted by your peers are available at: www.paramedicchiefs.ca/category/public/eid-resources
- ▶ Other EMS-specific* resources:
 - www.firstwatch.net/hi
 - www.iaemsc.org
 - www.nemsma.org
 - www.emergencydispatch.org

* These sites link to other
EMS-specific information



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Thank You

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