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### WAKE COUNTY PREPARED, EBOLA RISK LOW

As with any health emergency, Wake County is preparing for the potential threat of an outbreak of Ebola with a proven multi-agency systematic approach. The multi-agency coordination approach to incident management, which includes Wake County Human Services, Wake County Division of Public Health, Wake County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Wake County Emergency Management, utilizes skill sets of multiple agencies and channels them into a single operating system, focusing on the many facets of public health preparedness and potential response.

Responding to any health emergency requires cooperation among several community agencies. The County continues to work closely with area hospitals, local universities and colleges, public and private schools, law enforcement, health providers, the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, and all levels of government, for the potential arrival of suspected patients aboard aircraft. All of the agencies continue to do the following to insure a cohesive response plan which includes:

- tailoring plans for Ebola response
- training for healthcare staff and responders
- securing additional supplies and equipment as needed, and
- conducting practice response drills.

If you have questions or concerns about Ebola, visit [Wakegov.com/ReadyWake](http://Wakegov.com/ReadyWake) for important facts about the disease. You can also call the North Carolina Ebola Public Information Line at 800-222-1222 or visit the Centers for Disease Control ([CDC](#)) and Prevention website for additional information. Stay calm and informed.

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