

## **Ebola Outbreak in West Africa – Campus Statement**

Stony Brook University is closely monitoring the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) information on the Ebola virus outbreak in several West African countries.

Currently, the CDC states that this outbreak does not pose a significant threat in the United States.

However, the [CDC has issued warnings](#) to avoid non-essential travel to Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone, because of the worsening situation in those countries, and an alert to practice enhanced precautions for [travel to Nigeria](#).

Dr. Elizabeth Bringsjord, SUNY's Interim Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, has directed all campuses to prohibit campus-sponsored travel to countries where the CDC has issued a travel warning. Thus, Stony Brook University prohibits campus-sponsored travel to Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

All students, faculty, and staff planning to travel to other West African countries are asked to follow the International Travel Policy of Stony Brook University and complete and submit the electronic travel forms at [globalaffairs.cc.stonybrook.edu/ITP/international\\_travel\\_policy.html](http://globalaffairs.cc.stonybrook.edu/ITP/international_travel_policy.html).

For relevant information about the disease, including signs and symptoms, transmission, and risk of exposure, see the CDC Ebola Hemorrhagic Fever Page at <http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/>. All travelers returning from areas with Ebola cases are asked to monitor their health for 21 days. For contacting Student Health Services, see [studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/shs/about/emergency.shtml](http://studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/shs/about/emergency.shtml).

