

Dear CME Stakeholders:

In response to the Ebola public health emergency, the American Hospital Association (AHA) has provided an Ebola education package for CME providers. This package contains information that the American Hospital Association believes would be useful to healthcare providers and institutions right now. It includes:

- [Informational PowerPoint: Ebola Facts](#)
- [FAQ: Safe Management of Patients with Ebola Virus Disease \(EVD\) in US Hospitals](#)

We have offered our CME provider community as a distribution network for this important information. I urge all CME providers within the ACCME accreditation system to assist with the dissemination of this information. These educational materials are available on our [Ebola Education Web page](#).

You may be able to use these materials in a variety of ways. You could include these materials in your currently scheduled CME activities—regardless of topic or audience. Is there an activity being done today or tomorrow in which this information can be included? Perhaps you could add these slides to an already prepared presentation to show the audience at the beginning of an activity today –or hand out the fact sheet. You could publish these materials on your Web site and email them to your learners and healthcare community. If you have already prepared education about Ebola, these materials may augment yours. Your use of these materials in whatever ways are appropriate for you will support the rapid dissemination of important information to a wide audience of healthcare professionals.

In order to assess our impact in this endeavor the ACCME and the AHA ask that you take a short [survey](#) to inform us whether or not you used these materials and to provide us with some information about who we have reached.

In a press briefing on October 13, Tom Frieden, MD, MPH, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said, “What we need to do is all take responsibility for improving the safety of those on the front lines....All of us have to work together to do whatever is possible to reduce the risk that any other healthcare worker becomes infected....We will double down on training, outreach, education and assistance throughout the health care system, through professional associations, through hospitals, through group organizations and individuals reaching out to health departments at the state and county levels in cities and elsewhere so that we can increase the awareness of Ebola and increase the ability to respond rapidly.”

The CME community has the ability to provide critically needed education to address this public health priority. Please join us in taking action.

Sincerely,

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