
EBOLA OUTBREAK IN SIERRA LEONE

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

THIS IS A CALL TO ACTION TO ALL HEALTHCARE WORKERS IN THE UK.

Sierra Leone **URGENTLY AND DESPERATELY** needs your invaluable medical and technical expertise to help combat this terrible epidemic that has the potential to cause untold damage to the country and its people.



SUPPORT NEEDED
ACROSS
SIERRA LEONE

THE SITUATION IS GRAVE

The United Nations has declared the Ebola outbreak in West Africa (Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea) a crisis needing an **URGENT INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE**. Unless checked, the disease could spread well beyond the region with catastrophic consequences.

THE NEED IS URGENT AND REAL

It is estimated that each 100-bed Ebola treatment centre **NEEDS ABOUT 230 TRAINED STAFF** to operate: about 2,300 core staff for the 1,000 beds currently planned. Of the 2,300 trained staff required, it is expected that between 10 to 20% will be expatriate workers i.e. not resident in Sierra Leone. This means a minimum of 230 expatriates must be deployed every 4 to 6 weeks in Sierra Leone, requiring **A BANK OF 600 TO 1,000 EXPATRIATE HEALTHCARE WORKERS** volunteering over the next 6 to 9 months.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

URGENTLY NEEDED ARE:

CLINICAL TEAM

- NURSES AND PARAMEDICS
- HYGIENISTS AND NURSES AIDS
- DOCTORS INCL. PAEDIATRICIANS

SUPPORT STAFF

- LOGISTICS EXPERTS
- WATER AND SANITATION EXPERTS
- POWER AND FUEL EXPERTS
- CAMP WASTE DISPOSAL EXPERTS
- BODY PREP AND BAGGING EXPERTS

MANAGERIAL

- OVERALL TEAM LEAD
 - CLINICAL LEAD
 - NURSING LEAD
 - LOGISTICS LEAD
 - WASH LEAD
 - EXTERNAL LIAISON
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WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Anyone with the relevant skills including NHS employees, the self-employed, agency and bank HealthCare Workers and the privately employed

HOW TO APPLY?

- For clinical staff please register your details online with UK-Med at www.uk-med.org (see section Register with UKIEMR (Ebola))
- For non clinical staff please register your details online with LSTM at www.survey.bris.ac.uk/lstm/ebolareg

YOUR CONTRIBUTION IS BEYOND VALUE, BUT...

Everyone who registers to volunteer through UK Med and LSTM and is deployed to Sierra Leone will be entitled to the following:

PRE DEPLOYMENT

TRAINING

REQUIRED VACCINES

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH
THERAPISTS

OTHER

NHS & NON-NHS SALARY
PROTECTION & INSURANCE COVER

POST DEPLOYMENT
REINTEGRATION PROCESS

SPECIALIST CARE & EVACUATION
ON CASE BY CASE BASIS

IN THE FIELD

TREATMENT PROTOCOLS
(BEST IN CLASS)

PERSONAL PROTECTION
EQUIPMENT

FLIGHTS & IN COUNTRY LOGISTICS

FULL BOARD
ACCOMODATION

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AVAILABLE TO
CARE FOR SICK

ANSWERS TO SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY BE ASKING...

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
What level of health care service can I expect to receive, should I become sick?	The Kerry Town Facility being built by the British Army will have a 12 bed unit of international standard for treating healthcare workers. Evacuation of UK volunteers will be considered on a case by case basis
I currently work for the NHS will I lose any of my benefits or compensation package?	No
I am currently self-employed, would I be entitled to claim anything for volunteering?	Yes, you will be entitled to claim your evidenced loss of earnings.
What are the risks to my health?	Risk is part of such intervention, but strict protocols and support are in place, to protect staff before, during and after the assignment so that the risks are minimised
Who is accountable and responsible for me when I am in Sierra Leone?	You will be assigned to a specific treatment or isolation facility and the NGO operating that facility will be responsible for you. The Kerry Town Facility will be operated by Save the Children.
Is there any help or assistance available to me on my return from Sierra Leone?	On return to UK, you will be assessed by an occupational therapist and supported by Public Health England

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