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**AHA, AMA AND ANA JOINT STATEMENT ON CDC INTERIM GUIDANCE FOR  
MONITORING AND MOVING PERSONS WITH POTENTIAL EBOLA VIRUS  
EXPOSURE**

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Hospitals, nurses and physicians have come together to support the recent guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This guidance is based on the best available scientific evidence and provides essential information to public health authorities, state governments, hospitals, clinicians and other health care workers about the appropriate monitoring of individuals who may have been exposed to or have had direct contact with a symptomatic person diagnosed with Ebola. The guidance further clarifies the appropriate limitation to travel and presence in public places based on the level of risk that the individual poses to the public.

Continued volunteer efforts of nurses, physicians, and other health care workers is fundamental to international efforts to contain the outbreak in West Africa and to stop the spread of this virus. This guidance appropriately safeguards public health without unduly burdening those who have heroically cared for Ebola patients. We will work with our members to understand and adhere to these guidelines.

Our nation's hospital, physicians and nurses are working together in conjunction with our public health leaders at the local, state and national levels to protect our communities.

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