Patient Safety – November.

Ebola Virus in West Africa - Patient Information:

As a general practice we are advised to follow a number of protocols and follow them if the issue of an Ebola outbreak should arise.

The **Important Information** for patients to follow is to not come down to the surgery if you feel you are at risk or may have Ebola. Please ring the surgery and our doctors will return your call immediately and advice you of what to do next.

However if you are already at the surgery please be aware that it is important that you are isolated until properly diagnosed, therefore one of our members of staff will escort you to a side room to wait for the doctor to attend to you.

Ebola Facts:

* The risk of actually encountering the Ebola virus in the UK is very low.
* Patients with early signs of the disease present a very low risk to other people.
* But patients with the virus can be infectious if they have diarrhoea, vomiting or bleeding.
* Patients should stay isolated if they feel or know they are infected or at risk of being so.

Please contact and ask to speak to any of our doctors If you wish to speak regarding the Ebola virus.

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