Identify, Isolate, Inform
Emergency Department Evaluation and Management of Patients Under Investigation (PUIs) for MERS Coronavirus

**EXPOSURE WITHIN 14 DAYS**

- Travel in or near Arabian Peninsula
- Been in a healthcare facility in the Republic of Korea
- Close contact with a symptomatic (fever plus respiratory illness) traveler to above regions or patient with confirmed MERS
- PUI by health authorities for potential MERS infection
- Close contact with dromedary camels
- Been in a healthcare facility in or near Arabian Peninsula with confirmed healthcare-associated MERS patient
- Close contact with symptomatic confirmed MERS patient

**SYMPTOMS**

- *a* Fever and pneumonia or acute respiratory distress syndrome
- *b* Fever and symptoms of respiratory illness
- *c* Fever or symptoms of respiratory illness

**ISOLATE***

- Place surgical mask on patient
- Place patient in airborne infection isolation room
- Practice standard, contact and airborne precautions plus face shield/eye protection
- Use fit-tested N95 respirator or equivalent when entering patient room

**INFORM**

- Report immediately to
  - Hospital Infection Prevention
  - Local Health Department

*a* Severe illness
*b* Milder illness
*c* Milder illness

*Ill patients who do not require hospitalization may be isolated at home while being evaluated for MERS infection.*

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