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Sheriff Approves Jail Protocol in Place for Ebola Virus Screening

Milwaukee, WI – Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. wants to reassure the public that the Milwaukee County Jail put in place a protocol this week to screen for the Ebola virus.

The screening is a proactive way to reduce the likelihood of the Ebola virus disease entering the jail, and in the event that it did, to prevent its spread. Communicable diseases are a constant threat in jail populations due to the poor health that many inmates are in when they enter the system, and the close proximity to other inmates increases the potential for disease to spread.

“Routine screening occurs for every inmate for diseases like TB and Hepatitis C. We’re adding the Ebola Virus Disease in light of legitimate public concern,” said Sheriff Clarke.

The screening protocol is attached.

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