PERSPECTIVES ON ACHIEVING SUCCESSFUL COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASE THREATS

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Ebola Scare Shuts Down MBTA Station
False alarm.

By Steve Annear  |  Boston Daily  |  October 16, 2014, 12:41 p.m.
GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) - Greenville County schools will be screening new students for Ebola before they enroll.

The school district said in a statement it will begin questioning parents of guardians of new students to determine whether the student has "significant risk factors."

The school district says parents will be asked a series of questions to find out whether the student or family have been to an area affected by the deadly virus.
HARTFORD — The father of a Connecticut third grader filed a federal lawsuit on Tuesday, saying his daughter has been unfairly barred from school amid fears she may have been exposed to the Ebola virus while in Africa.

The daughter, Ikeoluwa Opayemi, and her family, who live in Milford, visited Nigeria for a wedding from Oct. 2 to 13, according to the lawsuit, which was filed in Federal District Court in New Haven.

Misunderstanding sends Ebola team to Rochester home

Elizabeth Baier · Rochester, Minn. · Nov 24, 2014

The Rochester Fire Department initiated its Ebola response plan for the second time in a month on Sunday, after a man called 911 to report his wife was experiencing flu-like symptoms.

A few minutes after the call, 12 first responders arrived at the home, four wearing biohazard protective gear. There was just one problem: she was not suffering from Ebola.

Deputy Fire Chief Steve Belau said the miscue occurred because the dispatcher did not understand the Somali caller, who had limited English skills. As a result, the dispatcher thought the caller said that his wife had been to Mali, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has added to the list of countries that travelers should take precautions in if visiting.

STOKES COUNTY, N.C. -- The Stokes County Board of Education has made a decision to delay an assistant principal's return to school following her recent mission trip to South Africa and concerns over Ebola.

The school district says the assistant principal won't be allowed to return to school or any campus within the school district for 21 days or until health officials give the all clear for her return.

A spokesperson with the school district says the assistant principal will work from home until she's cleared to return.
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The U.S. must immediately stop all flights from EBOLA infected countries or the plague will start and spread inside our "borders." Act fast!
You know in a couple of days you’ll be better. Plus it confirms I am ill, my girlfriend will believe me.


The more you take, the more your body becomes resistant to it. They’re not working any more.

M/F, 18-25, at university, London

Doesn’t humanise it. You can’t even imagine that many people. It distances you from the problem.

M/F, 18-25, not university educated, London

The media are negative about everything. It’s always the worst case scenario. Bird flu, then SARS, they’re going to kill us all.


“The language we use at work, in labs, and at academic conferences is quite different to that we use with our friends on a night out. It makes sense that what works best when communicating with health experts, economists, and politicians may well be different to what works with the general public.

“If we want people to fully engage with important scientific issues… we need to ensure that they understand them enough to be able to – and that requires us to explain things better.”