

GOVERNMENT OF SIERRA LEONE NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY (NPHA)



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Public Notice

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Update: Additional Information on Suspected Viral Haemorrhagic Fever (VHF) Case in Kono

The National Public Health Agency (NPHA) and the Ministry of Health (MOH) report that testing by the 34 Military Hospital Infectious Disease Laboratory has returned **an indeterminate result** for the suspected Viral Haemorrhagic Fever (VHF) case from Kono.

The **inconclusive result** is likely due to the use of formalin for body preservation prior to sample collection.

All identified contacts of the probable case remain asymptomatic. They are being closely monitored for a 21-day observation period, during which they will undergo additional testing at the conclusion of the monitoring period.

The NPHA and MOH reaffirm our readiness to address any potential disease outbreak. The public is encouraged to remain calm and rely on updates from official sources for accurate information.

About the National Public Health Agency (NPHA):

The NPHA serves as Sierra Leone's lead agency for the prevention and control of disease outbreaks. Learn more by visiting [www.npha.gov.sl] (https://www.npha.gov.sl/).

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