



Media Advisory

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**Ohio Department of Health and State Health Care Leaders to Hold
Conference Call Briefing for News Media on Ohio's Ebola Preparedness**
Call to be Held During Exercise and Planning Seminar

COLUMBUS – While Ebola does not pose an imminent risk to Ohio residents, out of an abundance of caution the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has been working since this summer with local health departments, hospitals, EMS responders, physicians, other health care professionals and state agencies to be prepared.

ODH and Ohio health care leaders will hold a conference call for news media to hear about these preparedness efforts. The call will be held during a tabletop exercise and planning seminar at the State Emergency Operations Center.

DATE: Tuesday, October 14, 2014

TIME: 11:30 a.m. – 12 Noon

DIAL-IN: (877) 392-5999
Conference ID: 19829291

Note – This briefing is for news media only and is call-in only.

SPEAKERS: **Richard Hodges, MPA**, Director, Ohio Department of Health
Mary DiOrio, M.D., State Epidemiologist, interim Chief of the Division of Prevention and Health Promotion, Ohio Department of Health
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