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Policy Options for Expansion of Pre-Exposure Vaccination with rVSVΔG-ZEBOV-GP Ebola Vaccine for Special Pathogen Treatment Center and Laboratory Response Network Facilities

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Vote 1

Should pre-exposure vaccination with the rVSVAG-ZEBOV-GP vaccine be recommended for healthcare personnel* involved in the care and transport of suspect or confirmed Ebola virus disease patients at Special Pathogens Treatment Centers

<u>Proposed Text:</u> Pre-exposure vaccination with rVSVΔG-ZEBOV-GP vaccine is recommended for healthcare personnel* involved in the care and transport of suspect or confirmed Ebola virus disease patients at Special Pathogens Treatment Centers

Vote 2

Should pre-exposure vaccination with the rVSVAG-ZEBOV-GP vaccine be recommended for laboratorians and support staff at Laboratory Response Network (LRN) facilities that handle specimens that may contain replication-competent Ebola virus (species *Zaire ebolavirus*) in the United States

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Healthcare Personnel Definition

Healthcare personnel (HCP) refers to all paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials, including body substances (e.g., blood, tissue, and specific body fluids); contaminated medical supplies, devices, and equipment; contaminated environmental surfaces; or contaminated air. These HCP include, but are not limited to, emergency medical service personnel, nurses, nursing assistants, physicians, technicians, clinical laboratory personnel, autopsy personnel, therapists, phlebotomists, pharmacists, students and trainees, contractual staff not employed by the healthcare facility, and persons not directly involved in patient care, but who could be exposed to infectious agents that can be transmitted in the healthcare setting (e.g., clerical, dietary, environmental services, laundry, security, engineering and facilities management, administrative, billing, and volunteer personnel).

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