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Anthrax Update

CDC is aware of a presumptive case of cutaneous anthrax in New York City and CDC will follow-up with more detailed information shortly. Approximately at today, there will be a public announcement. This person is an employee of NBC News at Rockefeller Plaza in New York City and received an envelope containing powder on September 25, 2001. The New York City Health Department and CDC are implementing appropriate public health actions, including closing certain parts of the building and evaluating workers for the need for chemoprophylaxis.

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