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### **ADPH confirms Ebola test results of individual are negative**

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The Alabama Department of Public Health confirms that results of an individual tested for Ebola virus disease are negative. Staff had been monitoring this individual since arrival from a country with widespread Ebola. ADPH has not recommended that anyone be quarantined.

The individual under evaluation has no known exposures to Ebola and has been assessed to be at low, but not zero, risk of Ebola. The patient is improving and has evidence of an illness other than Ebola that can account for symptoms.

Out of an abundance of caution, Ebola testing was done and is negative.

An average of 8 individuals are monitored for Ebola each month; 109 people have completed 21-day monitoring for Ebola, and 4 are currently being tracked in Alabama.

The laboratory results were returned Wednesday. While this person is no longer currently under investigation for Ebola, public health will continue to monitor until the 21-day period is over.

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