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Riverside County health officials monitoring two individuals who recently traveled to West Africa as precaution

The health department is actively monitoring two low-risk individuals who recently returned to Riverside County after traveling to the impacted countries in West Africa. Neither person shows any symptoms of Ebola and denies contact with anyone who had the illness during their travels.

The health department is contacting the individuals twice a day and the monitoring will take place for 21 days. The individuals are using a digital thermometer to take their temperature twice a day and are reporting it to the health department.

Both individuals, who are staying at their respective residences, have been cooperative with health officials. No family members are being monitored.

Dr. Cameron Kaiser, Riverside County Public Health Officer, said the actions taken by local health officials are a precaution and follow protocols recently announced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The department
considers the individuals to be very low risk for developing the disease, but is monitoring actively so that any symptoms, if they ever develop, are promptly detected.