



CDC Health Advisory - Monkeypox

July 20, 2021

The US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is investigating a single case of monkeypox virus infection in a U.S. citizen who resides in the United States and returned to Texas by air travel from Nigeria during July 8-9, 2021. SFDPH is working with CDC and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to determine whether any San Franciscans traveled on the same flight(s) and could have had an exposure.

Monkeypox is rare outside of Central and West Africa nations. Recent cases outside of Africa reported recent travel to one of those countries or contact with a person with confirmed monkeypox.

Monkeypox symptoms, transmission, and infection prevention approaches are described in this July 17, 2021 CDC health advisory: <https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2021/han00446.asp>

CDC recommends that monkeypox should be considered in patients with unexplained onset of fever, chills, new rash, or new lymphadenopathy, and a history of 1) air travel from Lagos Murtala Muhammed International Airport, Nigeria, to Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport on July 8 with arrival on July 9, 2) air travel from Atlanta to Dallas Love Field Airport on July 9, or 3) presence in those airports on July 8-9.

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