Outbreaks Handled

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Our network

International Routes

64 destinations in 34 countries

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Outbreaks successfully handled

- SARS
- H1N1
Crew concerns

- Is it safe to fly to an affected destination?
- Increased incidents of Crew reporting sick when scheduled to fly to affected destinations
- Representation made through crew unions not to layover crew in affected destinations
- Food/contact with affected persons
- Requested Precautions/safeguards when operating to these destinations
- Repercussions at home
- Isolation period for crew if a Passenger is detected positive
- Hospitalization in private hospital
Protocol by crew

• On suspicion of an infected passenger inform the purser.
• Purser will inform PIC
• PIC will call for a doctor on board
• PIC will inform ATC, Airport Health authority.
• Airline medical centre will be informed.
Our preparedness

- Mandatory Spraying of all Aircraft Cabins before landing in Colombo (Aerosol)
- Records maintained by health Officer at Airport and weekly updates
- Fumigation of all Aircraft on a strict timetable
- Testing of water samples all aircrafts outgoing/in coming on weekly basis
- Restricting water uplift from certain destinations
- Mandatory First Aid training for all Cabin Crew
- Initial Training (All new recruits)
- Refresher Training (Every month to capture senior/junior crew)
- Recurrent Training every year (All crew when validating CAA certification)
- Designated team to meet affected aircraft on arrival including Ambulance
On-board protective items

- Masks in First aid boxes
- Gloves in First aid boxes
- Disinfectants in Galleys