
BIOLOGICAL AGENT THREATS

Anthrax organisms can cause infection in the skin, gastrointestinal system, and/or the lungs. Disease can be prevented after exposure with early treatment. Anthrax must be aerosolized into small particles to be effective as a covert agent. If these small particles are inhaled, life-threatening lung infection can occur, but immediate recognition and treatment are effective.

SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE

Suspicious packages should be reported to law enforcement personnel immediately.

PROTOCOL FOR SUSPICIOUS LETTERS OR PACKAGES

- Do not shake or empty contents of any suspicious envelope or package.
 - Do not transport package to another area or allow others to examine it.
 - (D) Alert Campus Police.
 - (W) Alert the City of Waycross Police Department by calling 911.
 - Leave the area closing any doors behind you. If possible shut off ventilation system.
 - Wash hands with soap and water to prevent spreading of infectious material.
 - Create a list of persons who were in the room or area when the package was recognized. Give the list to local public health and law enforcement authorities.
 - For further information, call the Georgia Division of Public Health Event Information Line, at 1-866-752-3442, (24 hours/day and 7 days/week).
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