THINK VIRAL HAEMORRHAGIC FEVER (VHF)

If a patient attends with any of the following symptoms

- Diarrhoea and or vomiting
- Lethargy
- Sore throat

Please ask the following questions:

1. Has the patient had a temperature of over 37.5° or history of high fever in the last 24 hours?

2. Has the patient developed symptoms within 21 days of leaving a VHF endemic country?

An outbreak of VHF and the countries affected will be widely publicised in the media or can be checked here:

http://www.promedmail.org/

If the answer is yes to both questions:

- Alert a senior clinician or manager, telling them a patient may be triggering the VHF pathway
- Instruct the patient to wait until seen by a clinician
- Direct the patient into a room away from other patients and staff