

'Patient Zero' for Ebola in U.S. is Identified

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She is said to be the first person to contract Ebola from *inside* the US, and her identity was kept secret, until now.

As far as US domestic epidemiology goes, this Dallas nurse is regarded a *Patient Zero*, or the 'index case' or initial Ebola patient in the native population, or so we're told anyway...

[Huff Post](#) confirms today:

The identity of the Dallas health care worker who contracted Ebola after treating a patient who later died of the virus has been confirmed.

The family of 26-year-old Nina Pham, a nurse at Dallas' Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital, confirmed [the news to WFAA](#).

[The family also confirmed the news to USA Today.](#)"

[DAHBOO77](#) explains the progression of events...

Pham was one of the nurses treating **Thomas Eric Duncan**, a Liberian man who is said to have imported the virus to US shores, by contracting the virus in West Africa and was diagnosed with Ebola in September. Sadly, Duncan died last week.

Authorities insist that nurse Pham was wearing protective gear – gloves, mask, apron and shield when she treated Duncan. So how did she contract the deadly virus? No one seems to really know.

[CDC officials are blaming an error in hospital procedures](#), claiming that it's a "breach of protocol", and yet, **they still have no idea what that breach actually was.**

If that's the case, how do they know it was a breach to begin with?

How many other healthcare workers were also infected is still unknown.

"Unfortunately, it is possible in the coming days we will see additional cases of Ebola," said CDC spokesman Mr. Frieden.

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