



Statement from Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins

**For Immediate Release
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Dallas County has contracted with a private entity to decontaminate the apartment and they have conducted an initial site assessment. This morning the contractor was dispatched to the apartment and will arrive in the next few hours to begin clean-up. It is estimated that the clean-up will take approximately three hours. The family will remain in the apartment during this time and it is safe for them to do so.

The contractor team will start the initial clean-up, place materials in secured containers, and working with Dallas County and the City of Dallas Hazmat, a vehicle will transport the materials to a secure location. We are coordinating with our state and federal partners to ensure compliance with regulations regarding transfer of hazardous materials.

A vendor is in place to transfer any materials from Presbyterian Hospital and we are working with our state and federal partners for a federal transportation permit for final transportation for those materials, as well as the apartment materials.

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