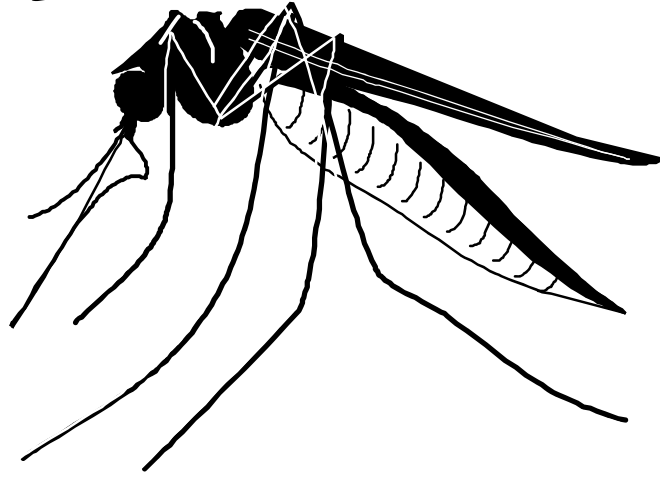


WEST NILE VIRUS

PREVENTION TIPS FOR THE COMMUNITY



- ✧ Avoid shaded areas when mosquitoes may be resting. Limit outdoor activities in the evening and early mornings (dusk to dawn) when mosquitoes are most active.
- ✧ If weather permits, wear protective clothing such as long-sleeved shirts and pants.
- ✧ Use insect repellents that contain DEET (N, N-Diethyl-meta Toluamide) only as directed by the manufacturer's instructions. Avoid prolonged and excessive use of DEET. Do not use on infants, and avoid applying higher concentration products directly to the skin of children (apply repellent to clothing and footwear). Avoid using DEET on damaged skin (sunburn, cuts, eczema or psoriasis).
- ✧ Keep your property mosquito "unfriendly" by removing all sources of standing or stagnant water where mosquito larvae can breed. Mosquitoes will develop in any standing water or puddle that lasts more than 4 days!
 - ✓ Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots and old, discarded tires. One tire can produce tens of *millions* of mosquitoes in a single season.
 - ✓ Clean clogged roof gutters.
 - ✓ Drill extra holes in the bottom of outdoor recycling containers.
 - ✓ Eliminate standing water that collects in: wheelbarrows, plastic wading pools, birdbaths, buckets, recycling containers and cover children's sandboxes.
 - ✓ Aerate water gardens and ornamental pools, or stock them with fish.
 - ✓ Clean and chlorinate swimming pools that are not being used. If you cover your pool while on vacation, remember that mosquitoes can also breed in the water that collects on the cover after it rains.