



West Nile Facts

What is West Nile Virus?

- **West Nile Virus is a mosquito-borne illness found everywhere in Georgia.**
- **Very few people become seriously ill from West Nile Virus.**
- **People over age 50 and those with compromised immune systems are at greatest risk.**
- **The best way to prevent West Nile Virus is to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes.**

How Can I Prevent West Nile Virus ?

- **Stop mosquitoes before they start by preventing them from breeding. "Tip & toss" any standing water in your yard. Check your flower pots, gutters, wheel barrows, etc.**
- **Wear mosquito repellent with 10 - 35% DEET, following label instructions. (Use <30% DEET for children.)**
- **Wear long sleeves and long pants.**
- **If possible, stay indoors at dusk & dawn when mosquitoes are most active.**

What is the Fulton County Board of Health doing to prevent West Nile Virus?

- **The Fulton County Board of Health Environmental Health Division has a mosquito monitoring and mitigation program in place to help reduce the mosquito population and prevent mosquito-borne illnesses.**
- **This program includes application of larvicide to kill mosquito larvae as well as spraying to kill adult mosquitoes (known as adulticide).**
- **Products used for larvicide and spraying are safe and EPA approved.**
- **Mosquito control efforts are safe for people and pets.**



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