



PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY UPDATE Zika in Florida Mosquito-Borne Transmission

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The Florida Department of Health has identified an area with local mosquito-borne *Zika virus* transmission in Miami (http://www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/florida-update.html).

New assessments of mosquito populations and test results this past weekend by Florida public health officials found persistent mosquito populations and additional Zika infections in the same area. This information suggests that there is a risk of continued active transmission of *Zika virus* in that area. As a result, the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and Florida are issuing travel, testing and other recommendations for people who traveled to or lived in the Florida-designated areas on or after June 15, 2016, the earliest known date that one of the people could have been infected with Zika.

CDC recommends:

- Pregnant women should not travel to the identified area.
- Pregnant women and their partners living in this area should consistently follow steps to prevent mosquito bites and sexual transmission of Zika.
- Pregnant women who traveled to this area on or after June 15, 2016 should talk with their healthcare provider and should be tested for Zika.
- Pregnant women without symptoms of Zika who live in or frequently travel to this area should be tested for Zika virus infection in the first and second trimesters of pregnancy.
- Male and female sexual partners of pregnant women who live in or who have traveled to this area should consistently and correctly use condoms or other barriers against infection during sex or abstain from sex for the duration of the pregnancy.
- All pregnant women in the United States who live in or travel to an area with active Zika
 virus transmission or who have sex with a partner who lives in or traveled to an area with
 active Zika virus transmission without using condoms or other barrier methods to prevent
 infection should be assessed for possible Zika virus exposure during each prenatal care
 visit and tested according to CDC guidance.
- Women and men who traveled to this area should wait at least 8 weeks before trying for a pregnancy. Men with symptoms of Zika should wait at least 6 months before trying for a pregnancy.
- Women and men who live in or frequently travel to this area who do not have signs or symptoms consistent with *Zika virus* disease and are considering pregnancy should consider the risks associated with *Zika virus* infection, and may wish to consult their healthcare provider to help inform their decisions about timing of pregnancy.
- Anyone with possible exposure to Zika virus and symptoms of Zika should be tested for Zika.

CDC Guidance for Travel and Testing of Pregnant Women and Women of Reproductive Age for *Zika Virus* Infection Related to the Investigation for Local Mosquito-Borne *Zika Virus* Transmission in Miami-Dade & Broward Counties, Florida

http://emergency.cdc.gov/han/han00393.asp





Local Zika Information https://www.columbus.gov/zika

Infectious Disease Reporting System (IDRS) http://idrsinfo.org