WHAT ARE THE FACTS?
Zika Virus Infection

HOW IS ZIKA TRANSMITTED?
• Primarily transmitted by infected mosquitoes
• *Aedes aegypti* (yellow fever mosquito) and *Aedes albopictus* (Asian tiger mosquito)
• Mosquitoes go from egg to adult in a week to 10 days
• Same mosquitoes transmit dengue, chikungunya, Zika viruses
• Zika is passed from an infected person to a mosquito through a bite, mosquito then bites someone else
• Sexual transmission of Zika cases have been documented

PREGNANCY?
• Pregnant women should not travel to these countries
• Male sex partners who have traveled to these countries should use condoms during sex

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?
• fever and headache
• conjunctivitis
• rash
• joint pain
• muscle pain

80% of Zika infected don’t know they are sick.

NO VACCINE TO PREVENT • NO MEDICINE TO TREAT

HOW DO YOU PROTECT AND PREVENT?

Use EPA registered insect repellents containing DEET (during travel and 3 weeks after)

Stay in places with air conditioning or window and door screens

Wear protective clothing (light-colored, long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks)

Sleep under a mosquito net

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The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito (above) spreads Zika virus, which can cause serious health issues.

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HOW DO YOU PREVENT ZIKA IN GEORGIA?

TIP ‘n TOSS

WHAT ARE SOME THINGS I CAN DO?

• Clean up around your home and yard
• Get rid of anything you don’t need that can hold water
• Use larvicides (Mosquito Dunks® or Mosquito Torpedoes®) where you can’t dump out water
• Tip ‘n Toss containers after every rain and at least once a week
• Dump out standing water in flowerpots and planters, children’s toys, pet dishes
• Don’t let water accumulate in old tires, rain gutters, piles of leaves or natural holes in vegetation
• Cover water storage containers (buckets, cisterns, rain barrels)

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MOSQUITO LIFE CYCLE

• Mosquitoes need standing water to breed
• Adult, female mosquitoes lay their eggs inside containers
• Mosquitoes lay hundreds of eggs at a time
• Mosquitoes go from eggs to adults in a week to 10 days
• Only female mosquitoes bite
• Aedes mosquitoes bite primarily during the day, but some bite at night

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