#### WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

# WEST NILE VIRUS SIGNS and SYMPTOMS





#### WHAT IS IT?

West Nile virus can be a serious, even fatal, illness. It can affect people and animals.

### **HOW DOES IT SPREAD?**

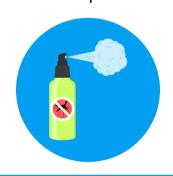
A bite from an infected mosquito spreads West Nile virus. Contact with infected people or animals does not spread West Nile virus.

## PROTECT YOURSELF FROM MOSQUITO BITES.



Wear the right gear: Long-sleeved shirts and long pants.

Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents.





Drain anything that holds water at least once per week.



#### WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

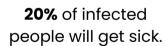
Fever, headache, swollen lymph nodes, rash, nausea, vomiting, and body aches.

Most infected people won't get sick



**LEARN MORE:** 

www.cdc.gov/westnile







## **Less than 1%** of infected people will get very sick.



