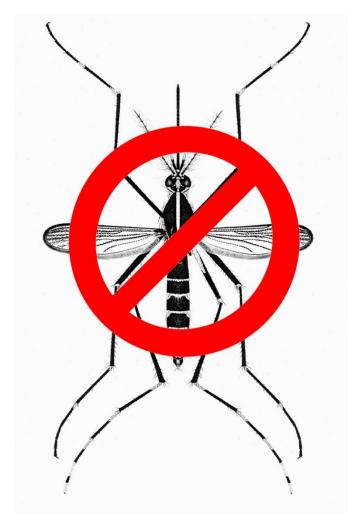
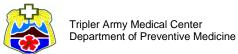
Dengue Fever

What You Can Do





What is Dengue Fever?

Dengue fever is a viral illness of humans carried by mosquitoes

Dengue Fever Symptoms

- high fever
- severe headaches
- muscle and joint pains
- rash
- vomiting

Consult your doctor if you have any dengue fever symptoms

Eliminate Mosquito Breeding Sources

- Tires
- Bottles/cans
- Trash
- Clogged roof gutters
- Flower pots
- Bromeliads and other water-containing plants
- Any other item that can hold water

Protect Your Family

- Avoid going outside when mosquitoes are most active during dawn and dusk hours, when mosquitoes are most active.
- Cover-up with clothing as much as possible
- Use insect repellents on exposed skin
- Use mosquito repellents with 20 to 50% DEET
- For children under age 5 use products with DEET concentrations no greater than 10%
- For children older than 5 years use products with DEET concentrations no higher than 15%
- Always read and follow the labels on insect repellants

Note: Vitamins, herbal mixtures, ultrasonic devices, and bath oils are <u>not effective</u> at repelling mosquitoes. Use only those products that are EPA approved.

For more information call

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