REDUCE YOUR RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Clean your yard now – get rid of anything that collects water:
- Old tires
- Tin cans
- Buckets
- Flowerpots
- Drums, etc.

Patrol the area after every rain.

Keep puddles from forming:
- Fill in any ruts or low places around your property.
- Repair any leaky pipes and outside faucets.
- Make sure your gutters and drainpipes are clean and running freely.

Stop stagnant water:
- Change the water in kiddie pools and birdbaths every week. (Empty and store them if you’re away.)
- Cover your trash containers, recycling bins, etc.
- Empty drip trays under outside planters.
- Fill in tree rot holes that hold water and hollow stumps with sand or concrete.

And don’t forget to...
- Keep grass cut short and bushes trimmed near your house so mosquitoes can’t hide.
- Check and repair windows and screens to prevent mosquitoes from entering your house.
- Avoid mosquito-breeding areas during peak periods of mosquito activity (dusk, dawn, after rain).
- Apply insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin (do not apply to the face). Follow the label directions carefully! Parents should avoid applying repellents to the hands of children and never allow children to apply repellents. Do not use repellents on very young children (<3 years old).

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Pennsylvania Department of Health 1-877-PA-HEALTH www.westnile.state.pa.us
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/index.htm