DOH-Palm Beach County Issues Mosquito-Borne Disease Advisory

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Palm Beach County, Fla.—The Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County (DOH-Palm Beach County) is advising residents that there has been an increase in mosquito-borne disease activity in areas of Palm Beach County. Several sentinel chickens have tested positive for West Nile virus infection. DOH-Palm Beach and the Palm Beach County Mosquito Control Division are coordinating surveillance and prevention efforts. The Mosquito Control Division has commenced the aerial spraying of impacted areas.

DOH-Palm Beach County reminds the community to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes by taking these basic precautions.

The Department continues to conduct statewide surveillance for mosquito-borne illnesses, including West Nile virus infections, Eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, malaria, chikungunya, and dengue. Residents of Florida are encouraged to report dead birds to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's site.

For more information, visit the Department's website or contact your county health department.

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