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DOH-Brevard Issues Mosquito-Borne Illness Advisory

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Brevard, Fla.—The Florida Department of Health in Brevard County (DOH-Brevard) is informing residents that several sentinel chickens have tested positive for West Nile virus. DOH-Brevard and Brevard County Mosquito Control are coordinating surveillance and prevention efforts by enhanced monitoring for mosquitoes and diseases as well as targeted mosquito treatment and overnight spraying to reduce the risk of disease transmission.

DOH-Brevard 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 mosquito prevention webpage](#) or contact your county health department.

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