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## DOH-Escambia Issues Mosquito-Borne Illness Advisory

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**Pensacola, Fla.**—The Florida Department of Health in Escambia County (DOH-Escambia) is informing residents of a confirmed human case of locally-acquired West Nile Virus. DOH-Escambia and Escambia County Mosquito Control are coordinating surveillance and prevention efforts by utilizing targeted mitigation activities including aerial spraying, field inspections, and biological, chemical, and physical control measures.

DOH-Escambia 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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