



**Department  
of Health**

# **Zika Virus Testing**

## **What Local Health Departments Need to Know**

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# Objectives

At the conclusion of this webinar, local health departments (LHDs) will be able to:

- Describe the epidemiology, clinical manifestations, and reporting of Zika virus
- Articulate NYSDOH's recommendations for Zika virus testing
- Discuss diagnostic testing for Zika virus infection available through NYSDOH's Wadsworth Center and interpretation of test results
- Understand the steps needed to pre-authorize individuals for Zika testing via CDMS

# Zika Virus

- Single stranded RNA Virus
- Genus *Flavivirus*, Family *Flaviviridae*
- Closely related to dengue, yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis and West Nile viruses
- Transmitted to humans primarily by *Aedes* species mosquitoes

# Zika Virus Vectors

## Aedes Mosquitoes

- *Aedes* species mosquitoes
  - *Ae aegypti*: more efficient vectors for humans
  - *Ae albopictus*: found in some parts of NYS
- Also transmit dengue and chikungunya viruses
- Lay eggs in domestic water-holding containers
- Live in and around households
- Aggressive and primarily daytime biters, but can also bite at night



*Aedes aegypti*

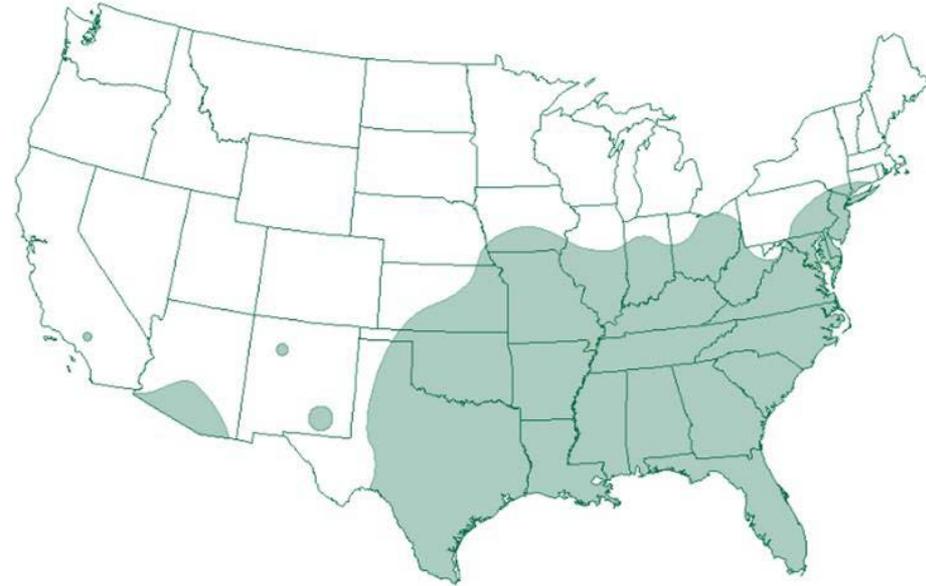


*Aedes albopictus*

# *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* Mosquitoes: Geographic Distribution in the United States

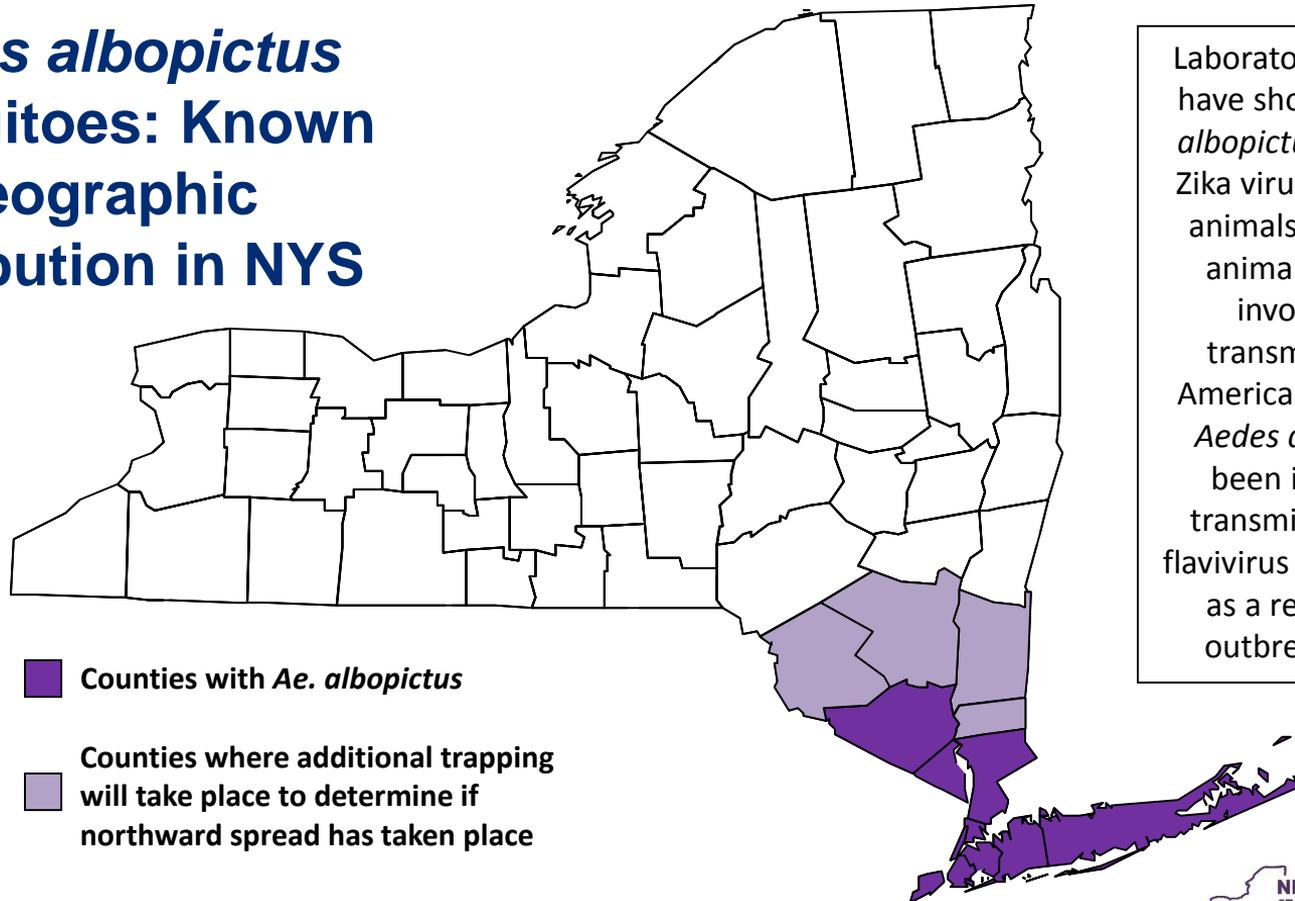


*Aedes aegypti*



*Aedes albopictus*

# *Aedes albopictus* Mosquitoes: Known Geographic Distribution in NYS



Laboratory experiments have shown that *Aedes albopictus* can transmit Zika virus from infected animals to uninfected animals. Its current involvement in transmission in the Americas is not known. *Aedes albopictus* has been implicated in transmission of other flavivirus outbreaks, such as a recent Dengue outbreak in Hawaii.

# Modes of Transmission

- Mosquito Bite
  - From infected to uninfected humans and primates by bite of a mosquito
- Maternal-fetal
  - Intrauterine
  - Perinatal
- Other
  - Sexual
  - Blood transfusion
- Theoretical
  - Organ or tissue transplantation
  - Breast milk



# Sexual transmission

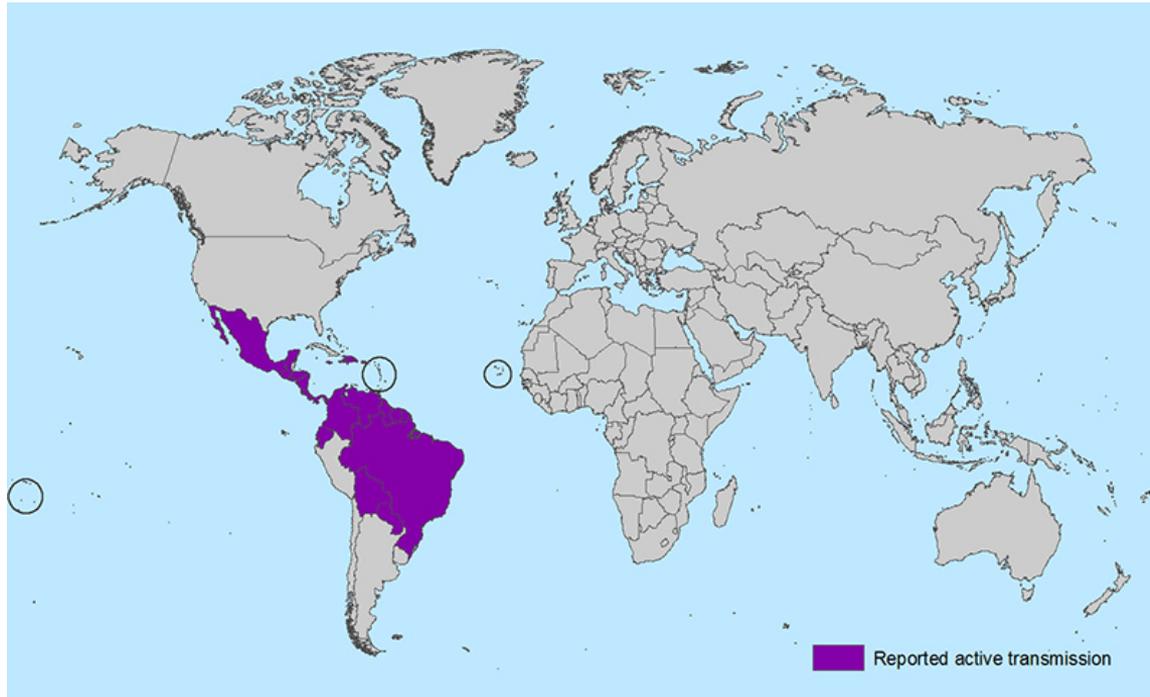
## CDC

- Sexual transmission of Zika virus is possible, and is of particular concern during pregnancy.
- Men who reside in or have traveled to an area of active Zika virus transmission who have a pregnant partner should abstain or consistently and correctly use condoms during sex for the duration of the pregnancy.
- Pregnant women should discuss their male partner's potential exposures to mosquitoes and history of Zika-like illness with their health care provider
- Men who reside in or have traveled to an area of active Zika virus transmission who are concerned about sexual transmission of Zika virus might consider abstaining from sexual activity or using condoms consistently and correctly during sex.

## Public Health England

- A small number of cases of sexual transmission of Zika virus have been reported, and in a limited number of cases, the virus has been shown to be present in semen, although it is not yet known how long this can persist. The risk of sexual transmission of Zika virus is thought to be very low.
- If a female partner is at risk of getting pregnant, or is already pregnant, condom use is advised for a male traveler:
  - for 28 days after his return from an active Zika transmission area if he has not had any symptoms compatible with Zika virus infection
  - for 6 months following recovery if a clinical illness compatible with Zika virus infection or laboratory confirmed Zika virus infection was reported

# Zika Virus: Countries and Territories with Active Zika Virus Transmission



As of February 3, 2016

# Zika Virus Epidemiology

- Infection rate: 73% (95%CI 68-77)
- Symptomatic attack rate among infected: 18% (95%CI 10-27)
- All age groups affected
- Adults more likely to present for medical care
- No severe disease, hospitalizations, or deaths

Note: Rates based on serosurvey on Yap Island, 2007 (population 7,391)

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# Zika Virus Clinical Disease Course and Outcomes

- Clinical illness usually mild, lasting for several days to a week
- Characteristic clinical findings are acute onset of fever with maculopapular rash, arthralgia, or conjunctivitis.
  - Other commonly reported symptoms include myalgia and headache
- Severe disease requiring hospitalization uncommon
- Fatalities are rare, typically only with comorbidities
- Guillain-Barré syndrome reported in patients following suspected Zika virus infection
  - Relationship to Zika virus infection is not known, but under active investigation

# Reporting Zika Virus Disease Cases

- As an arboviral disease, Zika virus disease is a nationally notifiable disease
  - Hospitals and providers must report suspected cases of Zika virus to the LHD where the patient resides (10NYCRR 2.10)
- Case definition: Arboviral diseases, neuroinvasive and non-neuroinvasive
  - <http://www.cdc.gov/nndss/conditions/zika-virus-disease/>
- Timely reporting allows NYSDOH and local health departments to assess and reduce the risk of local transmission or mitigate further spread

# Differential Diagnosis for Zika Virus Disease in Returning Travelers

- **Dengue**
- **Chikungunya**
- Leptospirosis
- Malaria
- Rickettsia
- Parvovirus
- Group A streptococcus
- Rubella
- Measles
- Adenovirus
- Enterovirus

# Diagnostic Testing for Zika Virus

- No commercially-available diagnostic tests at present
  - CDC is working with commercial laboratories to address this issue
- Testing is available at NYSDOH's Wadsworth Center
- CDC is working to expand laboratory diagnostic testing to other state and large urban area public health laboratories

# Diagnostic Testing for Zika Virus

- There are a number of diagnostic tests for Zika virus infection, including:
  - PCR assay to detect viral RNA in serum and urine
  - Serological assays to detect either IgM or IgG in serum collected  $\geq 4$  days after illness onset.
    - Detect both Zika-specific and cross-reactive antibody
  - Plaque reduction neutralization test (PRNT) to detect a  $\geq 4$ -fold rise in Zika virus-specific neutralizing antibodies in paired sera

# NYSDOH Zika Testing Process

- The process for Zika virus testing is for all healthcare providers and facilities in New York State (including those based in New York City)
- This process applies to all patients except neonates with microcephaly or intracranial calcifications, born to women who traveled to an area with active Zika virus transmission while pregnant
  - Healthcare providers and facilities caring for these neonates should directly contact NYSDOH at 1-888-364-4723 between 9AM and 6PM weekdays for consultation and facilitation of testing
  - If the patient resides in another state, the NYS healthcare provider/or facility caring for the patient should directly contact NYSDOH at 1-888-364-4723 between 9AM and 6PM weekdays
- No cost for laboratory testing at the NYSDOH Wadsworth Center



# NYSDOH Zika Testing Procedures

- Healthcare provider identifies a patient presenting for care who meets the following criteria:
  - Pregnant woman who traveled to an area with Zika virus transmission while pregnant (see <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/geo/index.html>) **OR**
  - Non-pregnant woman or man who develops (or developed) compatible symptoms during or within 4 weeks of travel to an area with Zika virus transmission **OR**
  - A person who traveled to an area with active Zika virus transmission and who presents with Guillain-Barré syndrome

# NYSDOH Zika Testing Procedures: LHD Role

- Verify that the patient resides in your county
  - If not, please give the provider contact information for the appropriate LHD
- Verify that the patient meets testing criteria
  - Providers whose patients who do not meet testing criteria should be advised as such
  - If a provider or LHD wish to discuss a specific case that does not meet criteria (e.g. pregnant sex partner of zika-positive male traveler), contact your regional epidemiologist, who will consult with BCDC
- If testing is approved by the LHD, the healthcare provider must provide the patient with a written order/prescription for Zika virus testing that specifies serum and urine for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and serum for serology
- The order/prescription must clearly indicate the name, complete address and date of birth of the patient and the NYS license number of the provider

# NYSDOH Zika Testing Procedures: LHD Role

- Assist the provider (and patient, if available) with completing the NYSDOH Zika virus testing questionnaire on CDMS
  - <https://health.ny.gov/go2clinic/63>
  - CDMS will be updated as needed
- Be certain that the provider and patient understand that specimen collection can be performed at **ANY** authorized specimen collection site, regardless of where the patient resides or where the provider practices
- A list of authorized specimen collection sites and telephone numbers is available at <https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/hcsportal/docs/Source/hpn/preparedness/zika/ZikaCollectionSites.pdf> and should be offered to the provider during the call, so that the patient can choose the site most convenient for them

# NYSDOH Zika Testing Procedures: LHD Role

- If the patient provides an email address for use in CDMS, the authorization ticket will be emailed to them
  - Specimen collection sites will accept a printed ticket or an image of the ticket on a smartphone
  - If they do not have an email address, staff should use a LHD email address for retrieval of the authorization ticket and fax the ticket to the patient, provider or directly to the specimen collection site

# NYSDOH Zika Testing Procedures: LHD Role

- Be certain that the provider and patient understand that patients who present for testing without a written order from a NYS licensed healthcare provider and the CMDS authorization ticket will be turned away
- LHDs should immediately notify their regional epidemiologist of the testing request
- All providers, including NYC based providers/facilities caring for patients who reside outside of NYC, must follow this process and obtain LHD approval

# CDMS Demonstration



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## NYS DOH Events

### NYSDOH Zika Virus Testing Campaign

#### NYSDOH Zika Virus Testing

Zika Virus testing will only be approved for those who provide BOTH: NYSDOH Authorization for Zika Virus Testing Form Prescription sheet from your health care provider LINKS:

[NYSDOH Zika Virus Information Page](#)

[CDC Zika Virus Information Page](#)

<b>Event Type</b>	Zika:Zika Event
<b>Where</b>	<i>Hospital you select</i>
<b>Who</b>	Persons who travelled to an area with active Zika virus transmission and became ill with symptoms of Zika virus disease during or within four weeks after travel OR Pregnant women with a history of travel to an area with active Zika virus transmission.
<b>Registration Deadline</b>	12/31/2017
<b>Register for this event</b>	<input type="button" value="Next"/>

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# Specimen Collection: Information for LHDs

- Serum:
  - At least six milliliters (ml) of blood in a serum tube (red top, serum separator tube, tiger top, speckle top, gold top). These tubes contain clot activator, so that serum can be readily obtained.
  - Do NOT use blood tubes that contain anti-coagulants such as green top, yellow top or purple top. Centrifuge the blood tube, transfer the serum to a separate labeled tube (at least 3 ml serum required) and discard the clot. Seal the serum tubes with parafilm.
- Urine:
  - Collect urine in a sterile cup with a minimum volume of 3 ml and a maximum volume of 20 ml. Close the lid tightly and seal with parafilm. Specimens that leak will not be tested.



# Specimen Collection: Information for LHDs

- Label the specimens: Failure to properly label a specimen will result in rejection and the specimen will not be tested.
- Specimens must be labeled with:
  - Patient's First and Last Names
  - Patient's Date of Birth
  - Date and Time of Collection
- All information on the specimen label must exactly match the information on Wadsworth's Infectious Diseases Requisition (IDR) form (described below), including the spelling of the patient's first and last names.

# Specimen Handling: Information for LHDs

- It is best that blood specimens be centrifuged, separated and frozen immediately
- Specimens that are not directly centrifuged should be immediately refrigerated and must be centrifuged and the serum frozen within six hours
- Specimens must be on cold packs when transported from the refrigerator to the freezer during this 6 hour time period
- Both the urine and serum need to be frozen at -70 to -80 degrees Celsius. Freezing preserves the integrity of the RNA in the samples

# Specimens

## Serum

Collect whole blood in red top tubes  
minimum 6ml



Centrifuge and remove serum  
minimum 3ml



## Urine

Minimum 3ml



Freeze serum and  
urine -70 to -80°C

# Specimen Transport for Non-NYC Residents

- Wadsworth's Infectious Diseases Requisition (IDR) form, which is available at [http://www.wadsworth.org/sites/default/files/WebDoc/1065760803/infectious\\_diseases\\_requisition\\_DOH\\_4463.pdf](http://www.wadsworth.org/sites/default/files/WebDoc/1065760803/infectious_diseases_requisition_DOH_4463.pdf) must be completed in full and accompany each specimen being submitted on a non-NYC resident. If present, symptoms should be clearly noted on the IDR.
  - Follow shipping regulations for UN 3373 Biological Substance, Category B and UN 1875, Class 9 for dry ice.
  - Specimens must be shipped on dry ice to the Wadsworth Center, David Axelrod Institute, 120 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. Label the outside of the package with storage conditions (-70 to -80C).



New York State Department of Health Wadsworth Center Empire State Plaza PO Box 505, Albany, NY 12201-0509		<b>Infectious Diseases Requisition</b> NYS Accession Number _____ Date received _____ / ____ / ____ Telephone: (518) 474-4177	
Shipping address: <a href="http://www.wadsworth.org/wadinfo.htm">www.wadsworth.org/wadinfo.htm</a>		NYS County of Residence * _____ NYS DOH Outbreak Number _____	
<b>Patient Demographics</b> *denotes required information			
Last Name * _____ First Name * _____ MI _____ DOB * _____ / ____ / ____ Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	
NYS County of Residence * _____ NYS DOH Outbreak Number _____		CDISE Case Number _____ Submitter's Reference Number _____	
<b>Submitter (Laboratory report will be sent to)</b> *denotes required information			
Name and Address * _____		Laboratory PFI _____	
_____		Contact Person _____	
_____		Telephone Number (_____) _____	
<b>Specimen Information</b> *denotes required information			
Specimen is: <input type="checkbox"/> Isolate <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Specimen <input type="checkbox"/> Autopsy Specimen		Collection Date * _____ / ____ / ____	
Source / Specimen Type * _____		Time Collected (if applicable for test) _____ per 100	
<b>Laboratory Examination Requested</b> <a href="http://www.wadsworth.org/IDtesting">www.wadsworth.org/IDtesting</a>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bacterial <input type="checkbox"/> Fungal <input type="checkbox"/> Mycobacterial <input type="checkbox"/> Parasitic <input type="checkbox"/> Serology <input type="checkbox"/> Viral			
Suspected Organism / Agent _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Identification / Confirmation		<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptibility (specify antimicrobial(s)) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> TB Fast Track <a href="http://www.wadsworth.org/rapidbac/fasttrack.htm">www.wadsworth.org/rapidbac/fasttrack.htm</a>		<input type="checkbox"/> Serology (specify test and define onset date) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Viral Encephalitis Panel <a href="http://www.wadsworth.org/rapidbac/rapidbac.htm">www.wadsworth.org/rapidbac/rapidbac.htm</a>		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	
Submitting lab findings: Smear/Stain/Other results _____ Comments _____			
Specimen submitted on/in: Media _____ Preservative _____ Tissue cell line _____			
Relevant Exposure: <input type="checkbox"/> Contact known case <input type="checkbox"/> Food/water <input type="checkbox"/> Nosocomial			
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel _____ Location & Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Animal _____ Type _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Arthropod _____ Type _____			
<b>Clinical History</b>			
Name of patient's healthcare provider _____ Telephone Number _____		Diagnosis: _____ Hospitalized? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown If hospitalized, hospital name: _____	
Pregnant (trimester): _____ Symptoms: <input type="checkbox"/> Acute <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic <input type="checkbox"/> Other Onset of symptoms: _____ / ____ / ____		Fever: max _____ duration _____ CSF: Glu _____ Prot _____ RBC _____ WBC _____	
Relevant treatment: _____ Date _____		Relevant immunization: _____ Date _____	
Symptoms/Clinical Epidemiology (check all that apply):			
Central Nervous System: <input type="checkbox"/> Altered Mental Status <input type="checkbox"/> Coma <input type="checkbox"/> Encephalitis <input type="checkbox"/> Headache <input type="checkbox"/> Meningitis <input type="checkbox"/> Paralysis <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures			
Gastrointestinal: <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Blood/Mucus <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting			
Respiratory: <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchiolitis <input type="checkbox"/> Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia <input type="checkbox"/> Upper Respiratory Infection			
Skin/hair/nails: <input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhagic <input type="checkbox"/> Maculopapular Rash <input type="checkbox"/> Petechial Rash <input type="checkbox"/> Vesicular			
Cardiovascular: <input type="checkbox"/> Endocarditis <input type="checkbox"/> Myocarditis <input type="checkbox"/> Pericarditis			
Miscellaneous: <input type="checkbox"/> Anthrax <input type="checkbox"/> Conjunctivitis <input type="checkbox"/> Cystitis <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatomegaly <input type="checkbox"/> Immunocompromised <input type="checkbox"/> Jaundice			
Other Symptoms: <input type="checkbox"/> Keratitis <input type="checkbox"/> Lymphadenopathy <input type="checkbox"/> Malaise <input type="checkbox"/> Myalgia <input type="checkbox"/> Pleurodynia <input type="checkbox"/> Splenomegaly <input type="checkbox"/> Uteritis <input type="checkbox"/> Uthritis			
<small>DOI-4483 (6/06) p. 1 of 2 Non-human Sample form on page 2</small>			

← Patient name and address

← Physician name and address

← Specimen details

← Test request

← Travel history – location and dates

← ? Pregnant ? trimester

← Clinical symptoms

# Packaging, Shipping, and Certification

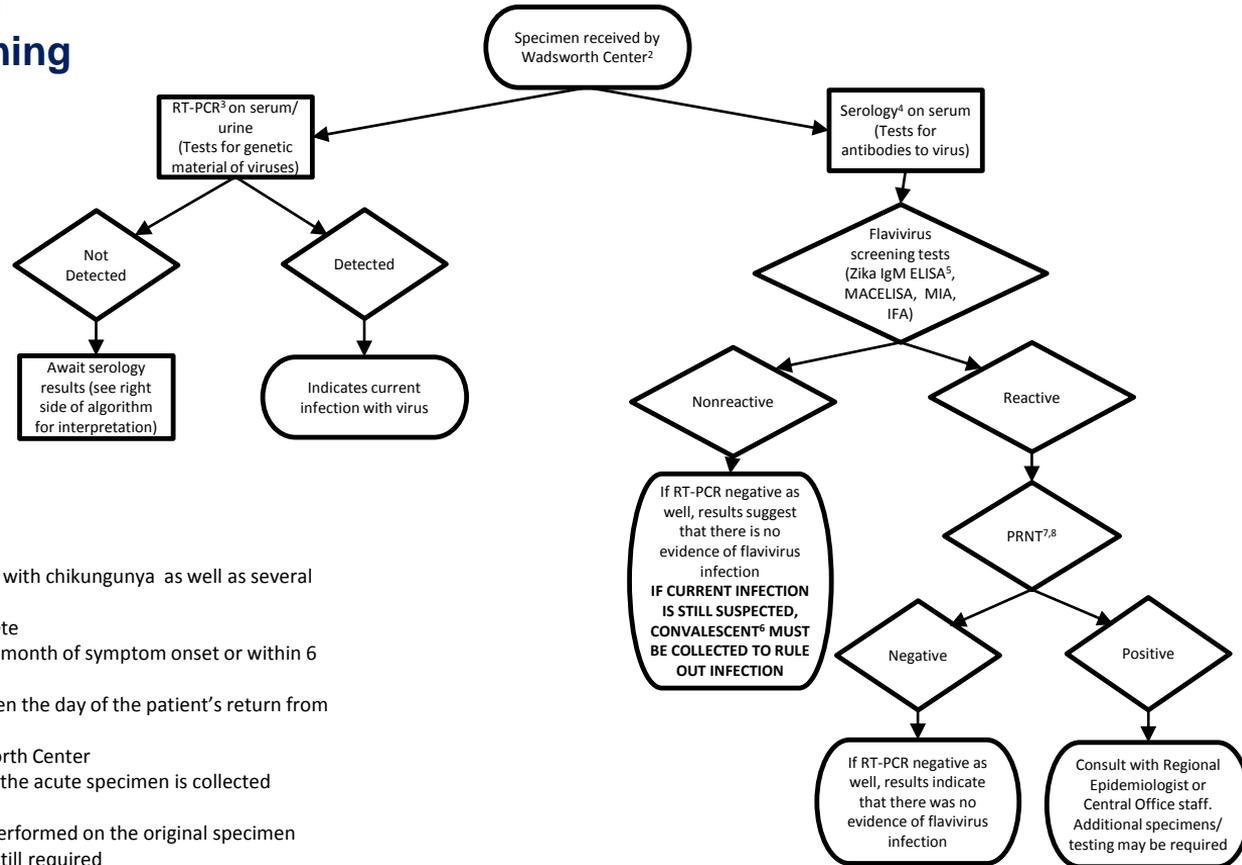


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# NYSDOH Zika Testing Results

- Results of Zika virus testing will be made available to LHDs via ECLRS. LHDs should check ECLRS at least once a day for Zika virus testing results and fax those results to the ordering provider on same day.
  - ECLRS results should be moved into CDESS (as with any other disease), but CDESS Zika supplemental does not need to be completed until a positive Zika result.
- LHD staff can access public health consultation for assistance with interpretation of results by calling the NYSDOH Zika Information Line at: 1-888-364-4723 between 9AM and 6PM weekdays.

# NYSDOH Arboviral<sup>1</sup> Testing Algorithm for individuals returning from areas with active Zika virus activity



<sup>1</sup>Arboviral testing includes analysis for evidence of infection with chikungunya as well as several flaviviruses such as Dengue, Zika, and West Nile Virus

<sup>2</sup>Testing of initial specimens may take 14-21 days to complete

<sup>3</sup>RT-PCR will be performed on specimens collected within 1 month of symptom onset or within 6 weeks of travel

<sup>4</sup>Serology will be performed on specimens collected between the day of the patient's return from travel and 9 months following return

<sup>5</sup>The Zika IgM ELISA will soon be available for use at Wadsworth Center

<sup>6</sup>Convalescent specimens should be collected 3 weeks after the acute specimen is collected

<sup>7</sup>Plaque reduction neutralization testing

<sup>8</sup>PREGNANT WOMEN ONLY: single specimen PRNT will be performed on the original specimen received however collection of a convalescent specimen is still required

# Serology Cross-Reactions with Other Flaviviruses

- Zika virus serology (IgM) can be positive due to antibodies against related flaviviruses (e.g., dengue and yellow fever viruses)
- Neutralizing antibody testing may discriminate between cross-reacting antibodies in individuals who have never had a flavivirus infection before
- Difficult to distinguish infecting virus in people previously infected with or vaccinated against a related flavivirus
- Health care providers should work with NYSDOH and local health departments to ensure test results are interpreted correctly



# Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

## Test: Dengue Virus

Specimen Source: Serum specimen

Request Status: Final

Notes: This real-time RT-PCR assay for the detection and serotype identification of Dengue Virus was CDC-developed and FDA-approved for use on serum or plasma collected from human patients with signs and symptoms consistent with dengue infection.

Accession Number:

Collection Date: --

Report Date: 01/27/2016

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
DENGUE FEVER	Dengue virus 1 RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	60262-3	260415000
DENGUE FEVER	Dengue virus 2 RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	60420-7	260415000
DENGUE FEVER	Dengue virus 3 RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	60419-9	260415000
DENGUE FEVER	Dengue virus 4 RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	60418-1	260415000

## Test: Encephalitis Testing Individual

Specimen Source: Serum specimen

Request Status: Pending

Accession Number:

Collection Date: --

Report Date: 01/27/2016

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
CHIKUNGUNYA VIRUS	Chikungunya virus RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/22/2016	--	--	Normal	Correction	51664-1	260415000
ZIKA VIRUS	Zika virus RNA by real-time RT-PCR	--	Not Detected	01/22/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	79190-5	260415000

- PCR will be performed for chikungunya, dengue, and Zika virus on all travelers returning from areas with Zika virus activity. PCR tests for genetic material of viruses and generally detects infection within one week of onset of symptoms.
- If any of these are positive (DETECTED), results indicate current infection with the virus identified.
- Positive results are confirmatory.
- If results are negative (NOT DETECTED), await serology results



# Serology

**Test: West Nile IgM ELISA**  
**Specimen Source:** Serum specimen  
**Request Status:** Final

**Collection Date:** --  
**Report Date:** 01/27/2016

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	West Nile IgM ELISA Interpretation	--	If this specimen was collected <8 days after onset, nonreactive results should be confirmed.	01/26/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29778-8	--
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	West Nile IgM ELISA Result	--	Nonreactive	01/26/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29778-8	--

- The West Nile MACELISA (IgM antibody capture enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay) should be considered a SCREENING TEST for flavivirus exposure (dengue, Zika, West Nile, etc.). By itself, it is NOT confirmatory!
- If results are Nonreactive, results suggest that there was no evidence of flavivirus exposure however if current infection is suspected, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later to completely rule out infection. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by plaque reduction neutralization testing (PRNT).
- If results are Reactive, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- FOR PREGNANT WOMEN ONLY: single specimen PRNT will be performed on the original specimen received however collection of a convalescent specimen is still required.

# Serology

**Test:** Arbovirus Microsphere  
Immunofluorescence Assay  
**Specimen Source:** Serum specimen  
**Request Status:** Final

**Accession Number:**

**Collection Date:** --  
**Report Date:** 01/27/2016

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
WEST NILE VIRUS	Arbovirus Microsphere Immunofluorescence Assay	--	Results suggest the presence of flavivirus antibodies. If recent infection is suspected, collect another specimen in three weeks. PRNT testing will be performed on paired sera.	01/25/2016	--	--	Abnormal	Final	36897-7	--
WEST NILE VIRUS	West Nile Polyvalent MIA Result	--	Reactive	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	36896-9	--
ENCEPHALITIS	Powassan Polyvalent MIA Result	--	Reactive	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	43687-3	--

- These tests should be considered SCREENING TESTS for flavivirus exposure. By themselves, they are NOT confirmatory!
- If results are Nonreactive, results suggest that there was no evidence of flavivirus exposure however if current infection is suspected, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later to completely rule out infection. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- If results are Reactive, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- FOR PREGNANT WOMEN ONLY: single specimen PRNT will be performed on the original specimen received however collection of a convalescent specimen is still required.



# Serology

**Test: Arbovirus Immunofluorescence Assay**      **Accession Number:**  
**Specimen Source:** Serum specimen      **Collection Date:** 01/25/2016  
**Request Status:** Final      **Report Date:** 01/27/2016  
**Relevant Clinical Data:** ONSET 01/13/2016;

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
ARBOVIRAL INFECTIONS	Arbovirus Immunofluorescence Assay	--	Results suggest evidence of infection with a flavivirus at an undetermined time. If current infection is suspected, please collect a convalescent specimen at least 3 weeks after the acute.	01/25/2016	--	--	Abnormal	Final	36895-1	--
ENCEPHALITIS	Eastern Equine IgG IFA Titer	--	< 16	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	10896-9	--
ENCEPHALITIS	Western Equine IgG IFA Titer	--	< 16	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	6957-5	--
ENCEPHALITIS	California serogroup IgG IFA Titer	--	< 16	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	10904-1	--
ENCEPHALITIS	St Louis IgG IFA Titer	--	> =16	01/25/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	9634-7	--

- These tests should be considered SCREENING TESTS for flavivirus exposure (St. Louis Encephalitis, dengue, Zika, West Nile, etc.), alphavirus exposure (Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis, chikungunya), and bunyavirus exposure (California serogroup viruses). By themselves, they are NOT confirmatory!
- If results are negative (<16), results suggest that there was no evidence of arbovirus exposure however if current infection is suspected, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later to completely rule out infection. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- If results are positive (>=16), a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- FOR PREGNANT WOMEN ONLY: single specimen PRNT will be performed on the original specimen received however collection of a convalescent specimen is still required.

# Serology

**Test: Chikungunya virus IgG and IgM ELISA** Accession Number:

Specimen Source: Serum specimen

Collection Date: --

Request Status: Pending

Report Date: 01/27/

**Notes:** The Chikungunya virus ELISA performance characteristics were determined by Wadsworth Center. These test results must not be the sole basis for diagnosis, treatment or assessing a patients health.

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	Chikungunya virus IgG and IgM ELISA Interp	--	Not reported	01/27/2016	--	--	--	Pending	26623-9	--
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	Chikungunya virus IgG ELISA Interp	--	Not reported	01/27/2016	--	--	--	Pending	--	--
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	Chikungunya virus IgM ELISA Interp	--	Not reported	01/27/2016	--	--	--	Pending	57934-2	--

- This test should be considered a supportive laboratory result for chikungunya virus.
- If results are negative, results suggest that there was no evidence of chikungunya exposure however if current infection is suspected, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later to completely rule out infection. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- If results are positive, a convalescent serum specimen should be collected approximately 3 weeks later. Paired acute and convalescent serum will be tested by PRNT.
- The Chikungunya ELISA tests are cross-reactive with other alphavirus infections. These tests could be positive when a patient is infected with Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis (VEE) virus.

# PRNT

## Test: Arbovirus Plaque Reduction Neutralization (PRNT) Arbo lab

Specimen Source: Serum specimen

Request Status: Final

Relevant Clinical Data: ONSET 09/29/2015;

Accession Number: **IDR1600000211-01**

Collection Date: 01/

Report Date: 01/29/

Reportable Condition	Test	Meth	Result	Analysis Date	Un	Ref Ran	Ab FI	Res Stat	Loinc Cd	Snomed Cd
ARBOVIRAL INFECTIONS	Arbovirus PRNT Interpretation	--	<b>Results suggest no evidence of infection with any of the viruses listed.</b>	01/22/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	50034-8	--
ENCEPHALITIS	St Louis Encephalitis PRNT Result	--	<b>Negative</b>	01/21/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29783-8	--
ENCEPHALITIS	St Louis Encephalitis PRNT Result	--	<b>Negative</b> <i>Note: This result is for an acute specimen (IDR1500070656-02 collected 12/02/15).</i>	01/21/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29783-8	--
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	West Nile PRNT Result	--	<b>Negative</b>	01/29/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29779-6	--
NOS UNKNOWN DISEASE	West Nile PRNT Result	--	<b>Negative</b> <i>Note: This result is for an acute specimen (IDR1500070656-02 collected 12/02/15).</i>	01/29/2016	--	--	Normal	Final	29779-6	--

- If the 'Arbovirus PRNT Interpretation' field states 'Results suggest no evidence of infection with any of the viruses listed' AND testing was performed on BOTH acute and convalescent specimens, there is no evidence of infection with any of the viruses listed.
- If PRNT results are negative on a SINGLE SPECIMEN ONLY and current/recent infection is suspected, a convalescent specimen must be obtained (drawn at least 3 weeks after acute). The paired specimens will be tested by PRNT to rule out current/recent infection.
- If the 'Arbovirus PRNT Interpretation' field states 'current/recent infection' with one of the viruses listed, the result is confirmatory for current/recent infection with the virus listed.
- If the 'Arbovirus PRNT Interpretation' field states 'infection at an undetermined time' with one of the viruses listed, health care providers are encouraged to consult with their Local Health Department to discuss results and interpretation. Additional specimens/testing may be required.

# Zika Resources for LHDs

- CDC's Zika Virus Information Page
  - <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html>
- NYSDOH's Zika Virus Information Page
  - [http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/zika\\_virus/](http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/zika_virus/)
- CIDRAP's Zika Virus Clearinghouse
  - <http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/infectious-disease-topics/zika#literature>
- PAHO's Zika Virus Information Page
  - <http://www.paho.org/zika>

# Questions?