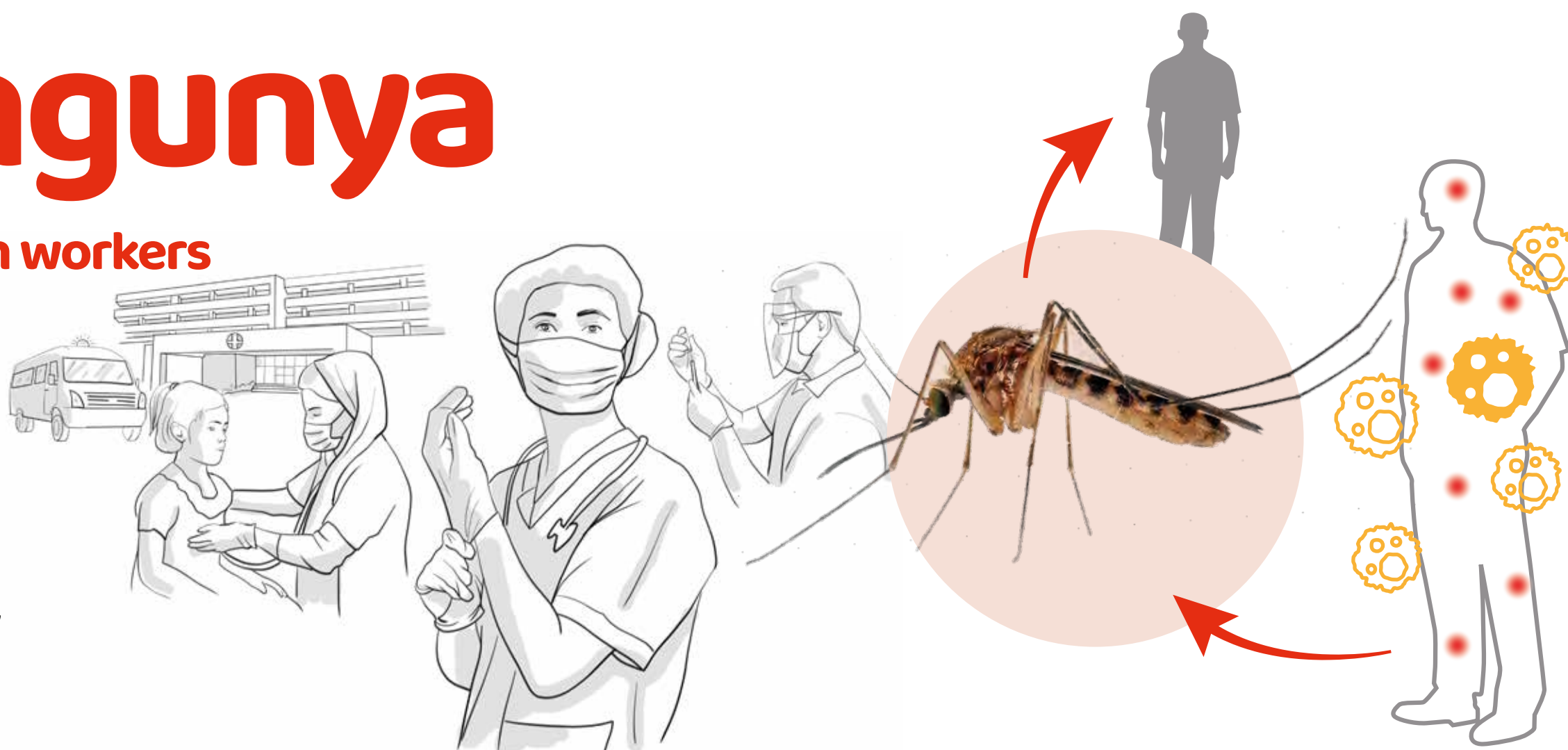


Chikungunya

Information for health workers

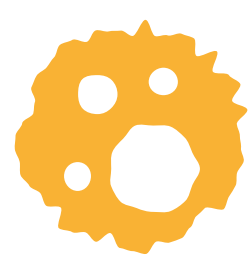
Source of infection

Vector-borne, transmitted by mosquitoes.



Type of exposure & prevention

Chikungunya is a viral disease transmitted to humans by infected mosquitoes. It is caused by the chikungunya virus.



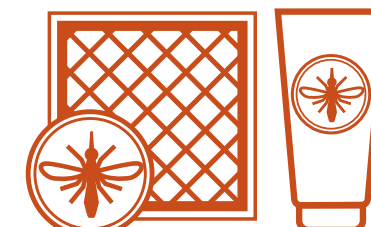
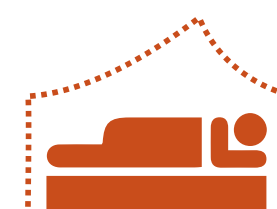
Reduce mosquito breeding by:

- ▶ implementing emergency vector control measures such as spraying insecticides during outbreaks
- ▶ safely disposing of all items that can collect water
- ▶ covering all water tanks and storage and emptying unused water
- ▶ keeping grass short around hospitals and wards clean



Reduce mosquito bites by:

- ▶ using window screens, repellents, insecticide treated bed nets, coils and vaporizers
- ▶ wearing light coloured clothing that covers your arms and legs



Symptoms



Fever



Joint pain



Muscular pain



Joint swelling



Headaches



Nausea



Fatigue



Rash

Actions to take in case of symptoms:



Take a detailed medical history of any patient you may suspect of having chikungunya to perform a correct diagnosis. Fever and joint pain are key distinguishing symptoms of chikungunya. Inform the public health authorities if you have a confirmed case.



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