

Yellow fever

Information for the general public

Source of infection

Yellow fever is an acute viral haemorrhagic disease transmitted by mosquitoes, belonging to the *Aedes* and *Haemogogus* species.



Types of exposure & prevention

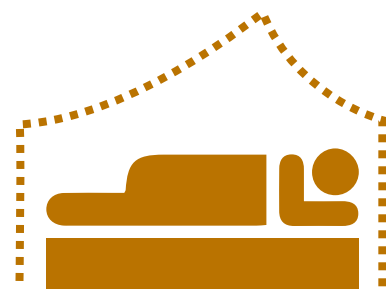
Yellow fever is transmitted through mosquito bites. Prevent it by:



Get vaccinated. Yellow fever vaccine gives lifelong immunity



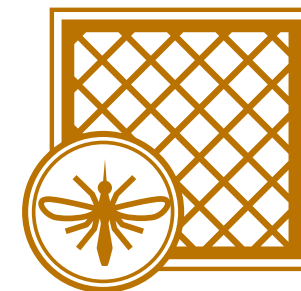
Avoid mosquito bites by using repellents



Sleep under bed nets



Wear long sleeved, light-coloured clothing outdoors especially after sunset



Use window nets to prevent mosquitoes from entering

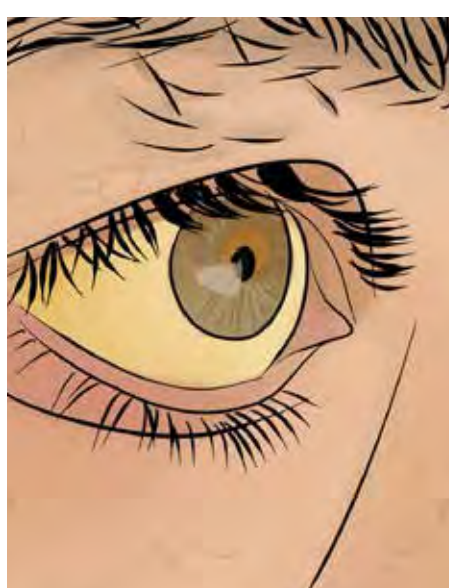


Reduce mosquito breeding by clearing bushes, keeping grass short

Symptoms



Fever



Yellow eyes



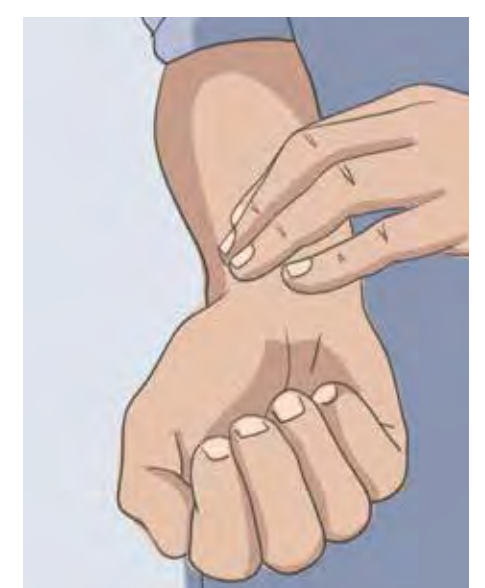
Dark urine



Vomiting blood



Diarrhoea



Slow pulse

Actions to take in case of symptoms:



Visit a doctor in case of symptoms.



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