

## **Sudbury Board of Health Encourages Late Season Precautions Against Mosquito Diseases**

Although risk levels in Sudbury remain low for West Nile Virus (WNV) and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE), the Sudbury Board of Health is recommending the following to protect residents and pets:

- Use a mosquito repellent with an EPA-registered ingredient;
- Wear clothing to reduce exposed skin;
- Drain standing water;
- Repair window screens;
- Limit time outdoors after dusk if risk levels increase.

“Late season rainfall during a period of drought has left neglected stagnant water throughout properties in town. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty unused flowerpots and wading pools and change the water in birdbaths frequently.” **said Sudbury Health Director Bill Murphy.**

More information, including all WNV and EEE positive results, can be found on the Arbovirus Surveillance Information web page at [Mosquito-borne Diseases | Mass.gov](#), which is updated daily, or by calling the DPH Division of Epidemiology at 617-983-6800.

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