



# County of Santa Cruz

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PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

## PROVIDER HEALTH ADVISORY

**Subject: Zika Virus Update**  
Date: February 1, 2016  
Contact: Communicable Disease Unit (831) 454-4114

***This is an update on the current situation on the Zika Virus.***

Currently, there are no cases of Zika Virus in Santa Cruz County. Thus far in California, Zika infections have been documented only in persons who were infected while traveling outside the United States. To date no local transmission of Zika infection has occurred in California.

While the risk for transmission of Zika Virus and other arboviruses such as chikungunya, yellow fever, dengue viruses is still low in California, infected travelers coming back to California can transmit these viruses to *Aedes* mosquitoes that bite them. This may lead to additional people becoming infected if they are then bitten by those mosquitoes.

The Public Health Division of the Santa Cruz Health Services Agency will continue to provide guidance based on current information. Recommendations may change. If a provider has serious concerns about patients who may not fall within the current screening criteria please contact the Communicable Disease Unit at (831) 454-4114 and an evaluation will be made on a case by case basis.

Please see <http://santacruzhealth.org/HSAHome/HealthAlerts.aspx> for updates and current guidance.

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**Health Advisory:** provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.

**Health Update:** provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.



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