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Ticks and Mosquitoes Do Not Carry COVID-19

Spring weather brings on the arrival of ticks and mosquitoes. Certain species of ticks can carry Lyme disease and specific types of mosquitoes carry West Nile Virus, but there is no evidence, at this time, to suggest the new coronavirus, COVID-19, or similar coronaviruses are spread by ticks or mosquitoes.

To date there has been no information nor evidence to suggest that the new coronavirus could be transmitted by mosquitoes.

The new coronavirus is a respiratory virus which spreads primarily through droplets generated when an infected person coughs or sneezes, or through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose.

To protect yourself, clean your hands frequently with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water. Also, avoid close contact with anyone who is coughing and sneezing.

FACT:
The new coronavirus CANNOT be transmitted through mosquito bites

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