

FACTS ABOUT ZIKA AND PREGNANCY

The Zika virus continues to spread rapidly throughout South America, Central America, Mexico, and the Caribbean.

Women who are pregnant, or may become pregnant, should not travel to Zika-affected areas.



THE VIRUS CAN CAUSE BABIES TO BE BORN WITH AN ABNORMALLY SMALL HEAD AND UNDERDEVELOPED BRAIN, A CONDITION KNOWN AS MICROCEPHALY.

The Zika virus is spread by bites from a mosquito species in affected areas outside the U.S. But Zika can also be transmitted through sexual contact with an infected partner who has traveled to those regions.

The virus can be transmitted by a partner who shows no symptoms.

If you are pregnant, do not have unprotected sex with a partner who has traveled to Zika-affected areas during your pregnancy.

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Know the risks. Prevent its spread.

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