Make sure you're covered

Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV) spreads to humans through mosquito bites. Take simple steps to protect yourself.



Screens on windows and entrances



Wear long, loose fitting clothes



Apply effective insect repellent



Tip out stagnant water



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Most people with JEV infections don't experience symptoms, but on rare occasions it can result in serious illness and even death.

Some people experience fever and headache 5 to 15 days after being bitten. Others may also experience severe symptoms, including neck stiffness, disorientation, tremors, convulsions (especially in children) and paralysis.

If you or someone you know is experiencing symptoms, seek medical attention immediately.

Take extra care to avoid mosquito bites when you're near a river, dam, coastline, or at a campsite.

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