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Third case of Human West Nile Virus reported in Montgomery County

THE WOODLANDS- The Montgomery County Public Health District confirmed on Friday that a county resident residing in Spring has the West Nile Neuroinvasive Disease. This is the third confirmed case in 2016.

The resident is a female in her 60s and is currently in stable condition.

“We are taking the necessary steps to try and prevent additional Montgomery County residents from being exposed to this disease,” said Montgomery County Precinct 3 Commissioner James Noack. “We will be monitoring this situation closely.”

At this time last year, Montgomery County had five confirmed cases with a year-end total of 16 cases.

To protect yourself from disease carrying mosquitos:

- Avoid bites by using insect repellants that contain DEET, picaridin, IR3535, and some oil of lemon eucalyptus and para-menthane-diol products and follow their directions for use.
- Wear long sleeves, pants and socks when outdoors.
- Many mosquitoes are most active from dusk to dawn and it is good to consider staying indoors during these hours.
- Mosquito-proof your home. Empty any standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, discarded tires, birdbaths and any other items holding water on a regular basis.
- Install or repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes outside and use your Air-conditioning if you have it.

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