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## Media Release

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### Vanderburgh County Health Department Vector Control Adulticiding Notification

EVANSVILLE, August 23, 2016- One sample group of mosquitoes from a surveillance trap collected within the City of Evansville has tested positive for West Nile Virus. This is the first positive test in Vanderburgh County this year. So far there have been 86 positive sample groups within 27 counties in Indiana. The Vanderburgh County Health Department will be performing focused adult mosquito control (adulticiding) in the area where West Nile activity has been found. The adulticiding operation will take place the evening of Thursday August 25, 2016, weather permitting. Fogging will be conducted during the hours of 8:00PM and 12:00AM.

The spraying will be within an area bound by E. Riverside Dr., S. Vann Ave., I-69, and S. Rotherwood Ave. A map of the area has been included with this release. If weather conditions prevent completion of the adulticiding on the designated date, fogging will resume on the next available day.

The Vanderburgh County Health Department will continue to focus its efforts on habitat elimination, education, and treatment of stagnant or standing water as these are the most effective forms of mosquito control.

The Health Department is asking residents to:

- ◆ Limit time outdoors between dusk and dawn, when mosquitoes are most active. Wear light colored clothing, pants, and long sleeves when possible.
- ◆ Use insect repellent containing DEET, Picaridin, or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus. (Products containing DEET should not be used on infants aged <2 months of age and those containing Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus should not be used on infants <3 years of age); and
- ◆ Make sure your property is free of any standing water, which could be breeding grounds for mosquitoes that carry the virus. Empty flowerpots, buckets, old tires, trash cans, and clogged gutters. Keep the grass cut and landscaping trimmed as adult mosquitoes use overgrown areas as safe places to rest.

For additional information please call (812) 435-5667, or visit the VCHD website at:

<http://www.vanderburghcounty.in.gov/mosquitoes>

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