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## DOH-Miami-Dade Issues Mosquito-Borne Illness Alert

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**Miami, Fla.**—The Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (DOH-Miami-Dade) is informing residents of two confirmed cases of locally-acquired dengue in 2025. DOH-Miami-Dade and Miami-Dade County Mosquito Control are coordinating surveillance, prevention, and control efforts.

Dengue can present as a flu-like illness with severe muscle aches and joint pain, fever, and sometimes a rash. Usually, there are no respiratory symptoms. Symptoms of dengue will appear within 14 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. Dengue fever is not contagious but is transmitted by the bite of an infected Aedes aegypti mosquito.

DOH-Miami-Dade reminds the community to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes by taking these basic precautions.

The Department continues to conduct statewide surveillance for mosquito-borne illnesses, including West Nile virus infections, Eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, malaria, chikungunya, and dengue. Residents of Florida are encouraged to report dead birds to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's site.

For more information, visit the Department's website or view the weekly mosquito-borne illness surveillance reports. If you are experiencing any symptoms, please call DOH-Miami-Dade at 305-324-2400.

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