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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **Summit County Public Health Monitors for Mosquito Transmitted Diseases**

Summit County, Ohio - News of mosquito transmitted diseases popping up around the country have gotten quite a bit of attention lately. From Dr. Fauci's West Nile infection to news of Eastern Equine Encephalitis in Massachusetts, and Dengue Fever in Florida, people are starting to hear about diseases that once seemed quite far away.

The good news is, SCPH monitors for mosquito and other vector transmitted diseases that have been reported in the county to make sure we address anything of concern. We have a robust mosquito monitoring and abatement program. The communities of Barberton & Norton are served by the Barberton-Norton Mosquito Abatement District and details regarding their work can be found on their website.

As our climate continues to change and we experience longer seasons with higher temps and heavy rains, mosquitos will have the opportunity to be present longer and establish themselves further north than we are accustomed. SCPH will remain vigilant in our surveillance efforts and will respond promptly and robustly to any threats that may arise in the future.

Links to helpful information on our website:

- Vector Borne Illness Report: <a href="mailto:scph.org/vector-surveillance-reports">scph.org/vector-surveillance-reports</a>
- Protect Yourself: scph.org/sites/default/files/editor/HH/Mosquito%20Protection%202023.pdf
- Mosquito Control SCPH: <a href="mailto:scph.org/pest-control/mosquito-cont

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