

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SPECIMEN APPROVAL INSTRUCTIONS TO PROVIDERS

- A. For DC Residents and other states EXCEPT Maryland:
- The physician or provider should fill out completely the Zika Virus Reporting Form (attached)
 - NOTE: Symptoms, date of onset, pertinent travel history (location, dates of travel, departure and return to US) and immunization history for Yellow Fever, Japanese Encephalitis, or tick-borne diseases should be noted.

Fax completed form to:

(202) 442-8060 District of Columbia Department of Health-Division of Epidemiology-Disease Surveillance & Investigation

(202) 715-4691 GWU Microbiology Laboratory

c. The Zika Virus Reporting form will be evaluated by the Division of Epidemiology at District of Columbia Department of Health

d. Approval/Response will be sent to: Olga Kochar and Salome Mendoza (olga.kochar@gwu-hospital.com and salome.mendoza@gwu-hospital.com) for specimen submission

NOTE TO PROVIDERS: Please let the patient know to expect a call from DC Department of Health staff member. The DC Department of Health will interview all patients, even those with only a positive travel history

- B. For Maryland Residents, please note the following:
- The provider should call the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene at (410) 767-6700. State that you are currently evaluating a Maryland resident for Zika virus.
 - MD DHMH will then instruct you on what forms to complete and where to direct them.
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