Zika Virus: Guidance for NC State University Travelers

Reports about Zika virus and its spread have raised questions about travel from students, staff, and faculty. NC State University wants to ensure that all community members are aware of the resources available to help keep university travelers safe and up to date about evolving health threats.

All travelers need to regularly monitor the up-to-date Traveler’s Health website maintained by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Students should review the helpful Zika Virus Advisory on the Student Health Services website.

Employees on official university travel are advised to consider a visit to the Travel Clinic located at Student Health Services. Schedule your visit with enough lead time to allow for needed vaccinations and prescriptions.

NC State students, staff and faculty on personal travel also can take steps to be alerted to evolving health and security threats by checking the CDC’s Travelers’ Health website and subscribing to receive security alerts from the US State Department. Those on personal travel should also consider a travel clinic visit for an individual, country-specific health and risk assessment. Options include the public health departments and local travel health providers.

If upon returning home, you develop any signs and symptoms of illness, you should seek medical care, and be sure to inform your healthcare provider about your recent travel.

More information on Zika virus and prevention is available from the CDC’s main Zika virus website.