

**TO:** Vermont Health Care Providers

**FROM:** Patsy Kelso, State Epidemiologist for Infectious Disease

### **Zika Travel Warning for Pregnant Women Posters Available**

As of August 18, 2016, 584 pregnant women from the U.S. with laboratory evidence of possible Zika virus infection have been reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Women who are pregnant, or those who are trying to conceive *should not travel* to a Zika-affected area. The Vermont Department of Health has created a travel warning flyer to raise awareness about the prevention of Zika virus transmission among women of childbearing age and their partners.

**Please post these flyers in your office and/or offer them to your patients.**

Zika is spreading in parts of the southern hemisphere and the southern U.S., and the CDC issues frequent [guidance](#), including an up-to-date map of all Zika-affected areas.

The flyer can be found on the Health Department website at <http://healthvermont.gov/prevent/arbovirus/zika/index.aspx>

To order printed color copies of this poster please visit [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/tick\\_materials](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/tick_materials)

#### **HAN Message Type Definitions**

**Health Alert:** Conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.

**Health Advisory:** Provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.

**Health Update:** Provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.

**Info Service Message:** Provides general correspondence from VDH, which is not necessarily considered to be of an emergent nature.