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Ticks live in grassy, brushy, or wooded areas, or even on animals, so spending time outside camping, gardening, or hunting will bring you in close contact with ticks. Protect yourself, your family, and your pets.

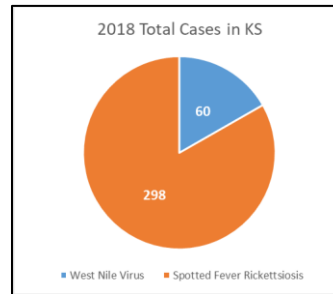
How

- Treat clothing and gear with products containing permethrin.
- DEET / Bug repellent
- Lemon Oil / Eucalyptus Oil (for those over age 3)
- Check clothing and gear after being outdoors
- Dryer: Dry clothing on HIGH heat for > 10 min to kill ticks
- Shower within 2 hours of returning inside
- Conduct tick check on self, kids, and pets (hair, ears, armpits, belly button, waist, groin, and behind knees)

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Tick Borne Diseases

Ticks are able to transmit diseases to humans. Like mosquitos they transmit the disease to humans through their bite. The most common disease in Kansas from ticks is spotted fever with 298 cases in 2018.



Spotted fever is caused by a bacteria in the tick saliva and is treatable with antibiotics. Lime Disease is not prevalent in Kansas.



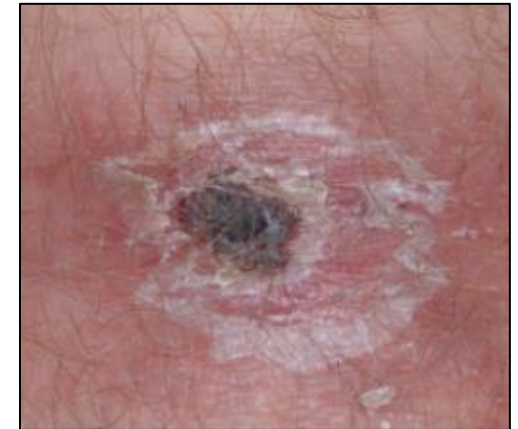
For more information scan the QR code.

If you would like your ticks tested, please bring them into our Public Health Dept. in a sandwich bag. The tick will then get sent out for testing.

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Signs and Symptoms

First sign of spotted fever is a scab where the bite happened.



For more information scan QR Code.

Fever, Rash, and Muscle Aches are other symptoms.

For an appointment contact:

Munson Appointment Line

(913) 684-6250

Or log into

MHS GENESIS Patient Portal



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Tick Removal

To remove a tick grasp the tick as close to the skin as you can with tweezers. Pull out slowly until the mouth is loosened from the skin.

DO NOT squeeze the body of the tick or apply any substances like nail polish, petroleum jelly, etc. while the tick is attached to the skin.

Once tick is removed clean the area with soap and water or antiseptic to disinfect the area.

<https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/envirohealth/epm/Pages/HumanTickTestKitProgram.aspx>

**For questions about ticks
please contact:**

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Wood Tick lives in Kansas and surrounding areas



Lone Star Tick lives in the eastern part of Kansas and south east states along with the brown dog tick.



Brown dog tick

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Located next to the Munson Pharmacy



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