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DRAIN	DRESS	DEFEND
<p>Remove Standing water from around your home. It only takes a bottle cap's worth of standing water to cause a mosquito problem</p> <p>Common Culprits that should be monitored regularly for standing water include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>clogged rain gutters</li> <li>corrugated drain pipes</li> <li>bird baths</li> <li>pet bowls</li> <li>trash &amp; recycling bins</li> <li>plant pots</li> <li>children's toys</li> </ul>	<p>When practical, wear long pants and long sleeves. Loose-fitting, light-colored clothing is best</p> <p>Studies have shown that some mosquitos are more attracted to dark clothing and can most readily bite through tight-fitting, loose-weave clothing.</p>	<p>Use repellent! The EPA has registered repellents that have been reviewed and approved to pose minimal risk when used properly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide)</li> <li>Picaridin (KBR 3023)</li> <li>Oil of lemon eucalyptus (p-methan 3,8-diol, or PMD)</li> </ul>

**When performed properly by trained professionals, back yard mosquito treatments can help to reduce the danger and risk posed by disease-carrying mosquitos**

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## Clinton doctor, team of experts solve MIS-C mysteries

Similar to Kawasaki Disease, MIS-C is an inflammatory condition. While it occurs in children who have first had a COVID-19 infection, MIS-C is not contagious.

Early symptoms include fever for more than a day. Other symptoms may also include vomiting, diarrhea, neck pain, rash, bloodshot eyes and fatigue. Parents seeing these warning signs in their children should

rapidly treated for MIS-C with multiple consultants involved."

Today, about a month after her MIS-C diagnosis, Allie is still feeling the effects of MIS-C. She tires more easily and has trouble concentrating at times, Henderson said. As she recovers, Allie is receiving care in pediatric cardiology, rheumatology and hematology.

Gilliam said that, while MIS-C is



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*Dr. Jyothsna Akam-Venkata, a cardiologist, listens to Allie's heartbeat during an outpatient visit to the Children's Heart Center at Children's of Mississippi.*

seek care immediately to prevent MIS-C from becoming a life-threatening condition.

Treatments that have been successful include intravenous immunoglobulin and steroids, according to protocols from the American Academy of Pediatrics. These were all treatments that helped Allie recover.

"She was very ill when she came to Children's of Mississippi, having the appearance of septic shock," said Dr. Gilliam. "She, like many of our MIS-C patients, was placed on antibiotics pending bacterial cultures. However, based on other labs and the severity of illness, she was also

rare, it is a condition parents should be aware of.

"We did see an increase in cases in mid-late January, which I suspect was due to increase in COVID cases through the holidays," she said. "MIS-C is likely to be proportional to COVID case numbers from prior weeks. Even if a child never had a diagnosis of COVID, if he or she has a fever for multiple days along with other symptoms like severe abdominal pain, vomiting, or diarrhea, rash, lethargy, or swelling in hands or feet, they should be evaluated by a physician. At this point, we don't know if there are long term effects of MIS-C, so the earlier it is treated, the better."

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