



West Nile Virus

Surf your way to...

1. Health Canada—www.hc-sc.gc.ca/english/westnile/index.html

When it comes to the West Nile virus, the role of Health Canada is to be prepared. The organization's motto during the last West Nile virus season was to focus efforts on keeping surveillance Canadawide, testing, keeping blood systems safe, and keeping Canadians informed.

The site provides much information on the virus, including facts on treatment, history, transmission, testing, and statistics. It also provides public education resources.

2. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (U.S.)—
www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/index.htm

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is recognized as the lead U.S. federal agency for protecting health and safety.

This site provides an overview of West Nile virus, including information on method of transmission, symptoms, prevention, and treatment. The site also offers West Nile virus-related clinical information and a guideline for health-care professionals.

3. CHICA Canada—www.chica.org/wnv.html

The Community and Hospital Infection Control Association (CHICA) Canada is a national, multidisciplinary, voluntary association of infection control professionals committed to improving the health of Canadians by promoting excellence in the practice of infection prevention and control.

The site provides an overview of the West Nile virus in Canada. It also provides links to other informative Web sites.