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DENGUE

engue fever, also known as breakbone fever, is an infectious tropical disease caused by the dengue virus. Dengue is transmitted by several species of mosquito within the Aedes genus.

SYMPTOMS

Dengue fever begins with a sudden high fever, often as high as 104 -105 degrees Fahrenheit.

A flat, red rash may appear over most of the body 2 - 5 days after the fever starts.

Other symptoms include:

- Headache (especially behind the eyes)
- Fatigue
- Joint aches
- Muscle aches
- Nausea
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Vomiting

CAUSES

Dengue fever is caused by any one of four dengue viruses spread by the Aedes Aegypti mosquito. These mosquitoes thrive in and near human habitations, where they breed in even the cleanest water.

There are in all four types of Dengue viruses that can cause the fever. You can become infected with dengue fever more than once. Human body tends to develop immunity towards a particular type of Dengue virus once it has recovered from the infection. It, however becomes susceptible to be affected by the remaining types of dengue viruses. The second infection typically causes more severe form of the disease — dengue hemor- PREVENTION rhagic fever.

TREATMENT & DRUGS

No specific treatment for dengue fever exists.

For a mild form of the disease, your doctor may recommend:

- Drinking plenty of fluids to avoid dehydration from vomiting and high fever.
- Taking acetaminophen alleviate pain and reduce fe-

Don't take aspirin or other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as ibuprofen. These can increase the risk of bleeding complications.



For a more severe form of the disease, treatment consists of:

- Supportive care in a hospital
- Intravenous (IV) fluid and electrolyte replacement
- Blood pressure monitoring
- Transfusion to replace blood

A dengue fever vaccine is in development and isn't generally available. If you're living or traveling in an area where dengue fever is known to be prevalent, the best way to avoid dengue fever is to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes that carry the disease.

To reduce your risk of mosquito bites, minimize your exposure to mosquitoes by minding the following simple tips:

- Schedule outdoor activities for times when mosquitoes are less prevalent. Avoid being outdoors at dawn, dusk and early evening, when more mosquitoes are buzzing about.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, socks and shoes when you go into mosquito-infested areas.
- Stay in air-conditioned or wellscreened housing. Patch screens if necessary, especially where there will be nighttime exposure.
- Apply permethrin-containing mosquito repellent to your clothing, shoes, and camping gear and bed netting. You can also buy clothing made with permethrin already in it.
- Use repellent with a 10 to 30 percent concentration of DEET on your skin. Don't use DEET on the hands of young children or on infants under 2 months of age. Instead, cover your infant's stroller or playpen with mosquito netting when outside

"The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not."

-ANONYMOUS

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PERSONALITY TYPES

TYPE A PERSONALITY

A person with type A personality could easily be recognized because of the typical attributes they possess.

- Highly aggressive,
- Short tempered,
- Inflexible and over conscious of time.

- One of the type B personality traits is that these people do not get irritated or angry easily.
- They are less competitive and their competitiveness is often productive with good intentions.
- These people do not get hyper if their time is wasted and do not mind waiting in queues or wait to get their work done.
- Relaxation & enjoyment comes very naturally to them.
- These people do not constantly wish to lead the group or be in control of all the situations. They are more found to take things and situations as they come.
- They are emotional, express feelings and are not indifferent towards others. They may also have a good social life.

- weight, checking vital signs, such as heart rate, blood pressure and temperature, listening to your heart and lungs, and examining your abdomen.
- Laboratory tests. These may include a complete blood count (CBC), a screening test for alcohol and drugs, and a check of your thyroid function.
- Psychological evaluation. A doctor or mental health provider talks to you about your thoughts, feelings, relationships and behavior patterns. He or she asks about your symptoms, including when they started, how severe they are, how they affect your daily life and whether you've had similar episodes in the past.

PERSONALITIES

 It's indeed difficult to deal with such people when temper and stubbornness become impertinent in their behavior. Dealing with type A personality basically entails bearing their negative traits.

TYPE B PERSONALITY

The following are the attributes of a Type B personality:

- These people tend to be productive under stress.
- They are relaxed, patient and have a lot of self control.

 When comparing type A personality vs type B personality, we find that that people with B type personality have controlled eating and lifestyle habits, neither do they have any obsessive compulsive disorders.

TESTS AND DIAGNOSIS

When doctors believe someone has a personality disorder, they run the following medical and psychological tests to pinpoint diagnosis:

• Physical exam. This may include measuring height and

TREATMENT

- Psychodynamic Psychotherapy: This entails talking about condition and related issues.
 This can help people with personality disorders recognize how they're responsible for the turmoil in their lives and learn ways to improve.
- Cognitive Behavior Therapy: Thsee behavioral therapy sessions reinforce positivity.
- Dialetical Behavior Therapy: Helps patient take control of their behavior and emotions by helping them enhance their coping skills.

TIPS FOR RAINY SEASON

- It is not possible for out-door activities, you need to take special care to have indoor physical activities. Don't let laziness grow on you.
- Foot care for diabetics Because the feet tend to get wet all the time, it is very important for everybody and especially diabetics to take a special care of feet. As and when feet get wet, make sure to dry them immediately.
- To avoid skin infections and itching, it is ideal to add 1 or 2

- spoons of neem oil to half a cup of sesame oil and use this for massage before hot water bath, once a week.
- It makes sense to bathe in hot water instead of cold water bath during rainy season.
- Those who are prone to get joint pains and arthritis should avoid sitting or lying down on floor.
- It is better to wear footwear inside home during rains.

- Cut nails regularly as moisture may invite infection.
- Keep the body covered fully, do not wear sleeveless dress.
- It is not a good idea to sleep soon after lunch during rainy season, it worsens indigestion problem.
- Hot water is better than cold water to drink.
- Make sure to use footwear with good grip to avoid slip and fall.

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