

# Dengue Fever

Dengue fever is a globally important viral fever, caused by a group called Arbo-virus. The infection is transmitted by mosquitoes of the Aedes genus, commonly Aedes aegypti. The Aedes mosquitoes are domesticated mosquitoes, and stagnant water is their main breeding ground.

## Symptoms & Signs

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- High-grade fever - children can have convulsions (fits) because of this high fever
- Pains and aches
- Pain behind the eye
- Stomach upset
- Respiratory symptoms

### Signs

The doctor will look for:

- Skin lesions and rashes
- Bleeding
- Pulse pressure is narrow and blood pressure drops
- Urine output drops

## Treatments

Consult with your healthcare provider for the appropriate treatment.

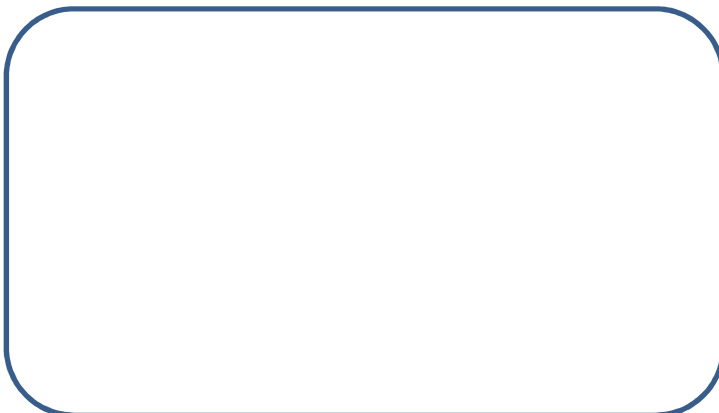
## Prevention

*The mortality rate of severe dengue is about 2 to 2.5% and is higher in children. A second infection can occur with a different strain of the virus. **Prevention is important!***

For prevention, use mosquito repellants and clothing, mosquito nets and mosquito coils.

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