

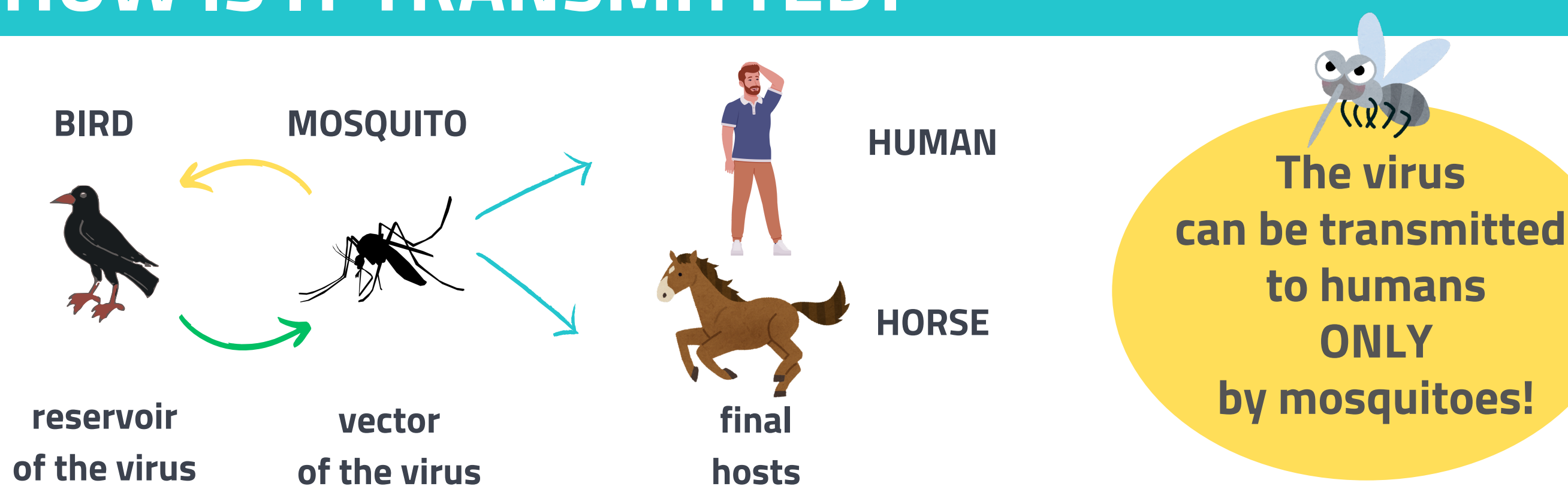
WEST NILE DISEASE (WND)

Know it and prevent it

West Nile Disease (WND) is caused by a virus that lives in wild birds and can be transmitted to mammals, birds and reptiles through mosquito bites.

In rare cases, humans can contract the virus, but they cannot infect others.

HOW IS IT TRANSMITTED?



WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS IN HUMANS?

80%

NO SYMPTOMS

20%


FLU-LIKE ILLNESS

Fever, headache, nausea, vomiting, swollen lymph nodes, skin rash

<1%

NEUROLOGICAL SYMPTOMS

Encephalitis, meningoencephalitis, flaccid paralysis



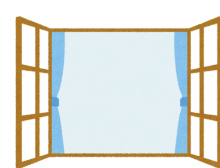
There is no vaccine for humans, nor a specific therapy: treatments are aimed at treating the symptoms

HOW TO PREVENT MOSQUITO BITES?



ELIMINATE STAGNANT WATER

from plant pots, pet bowls, tubs, and children's pools



USE MOSQUITO NETS

to screen doors and windows



TREAT MANHOLE COVERS WITH LARVICIDES

and make sure the gutters are clean



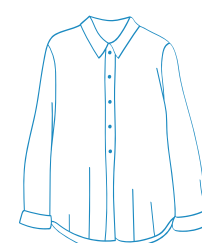
APPLY REPELLENTS

on exposed parts of the body and avoid perfumes



COVER THE TANKS

and containers for collecting rainwater with sheets or lids



WEAR LIGHT, COVERING CLOTHES OUTDOORS

especially at dusk