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Ethiopia added as a risk area for Zika virus transmission

Zika virus advice for travellers to Ethiopia updated - pregnant women should consider postponing non-essential travel until after the pregnancy

On 2 July 2019, the World Health Organization added Ethiopia to their list of countries in their Zika virus (ZIKV) classification: 'Countries and territories with current or previous Zika virus transmission' [1].

Our [Country Information page for Ethiopia](#) has been updated to show a risk of Zika virus transmission. Pregnant women should consider postponing non-essential travel to this country until after the pregnancy.

Resources

- [Zika virus in brief](#)
- [Public Health England: Zika virus clinical and travel guidance](#)

References

1. [World Health Organization. Zika Virus \(ZIKV\) classification table as of 2 July 2019 \[Accessed 9 July 2019\]](#)
2. [WHO guidelines for the prevention of sexual transmission of Zika virus, July 2019 \[Accessed 9 July 2019\]](#)