

Mott Poll Questions



Mosquito & Tick Bites

The following questions were answered by parents with children age 5-12 years old.

Q1. How often do you have your child use bug spray or lotion when they are in the following areas?

	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Not applicable
1. In the yard/neighborhood				
2. At a local park				
3. In a wooded or swampy area				

Q2. What type(s) of bug spray or lotion do you use for your child? *Select all that apply.*

1. "Natural" or homemade repellents
2. Bug repellent bracelet
3. Regular/generic bug spray
4. Bug sprays specifically for children
5. Other

Q3. Do you ever use a bug spray that contains DEET for your child?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure

Q4. Do you use any of the following strategies to prevent your child from getting bug bites?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
1. Long pants and long sleeves				
2. Light colored clothing outdoors				
3. Always wear shoes outdoors				
4. Avoid soaps/shampoos with floral scents				

Q5. When your child gets mosquito bites, how often do you use the following to help with itching and/or pain?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
1. Hydrocortisone (steroid) cream/ointment				
2. Antihistamine (e.g., Benadryl®) cream/ointment/spray				
3. Calamine lotion				
4. Rubbing alcohol				

Q6. When your child gets mosquito bites, how often do you use the following medicines to help with itching and/or pain?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
1. Antihistamine (e.g., Benadryl®)				
2. Ibuprofen				
3. Acetaminophen				

Q7. When your child gets mosquito bites, how often do you use the following home remedies to help with itching and/or pain?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
1. Ice or cold rag				
2. Baking soda				
3. Oatmeal baths				
4. Other				

Q8. How concerned would you be about your child getting a disease if they were bitten by a...

	Very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Not very concerned
1. Mosquito			
2. Tick			

Q9. If you found a tick on your child what would you do? *Select all that you would probably do.*

1. Use tweezers to pull off the tick
2. Cover the tick with Vaseline®
3. Put rubbing alcohol on the tick
4. Cover the tick with liquid soap
5. Put nail polish on the tick
6. Scrape the tick off with a fingernail or credit card edge

Q10. What symptoms from a tick bite would make you get medical care for your child?

	Definitely would	Likely would	Likely would not
1. Dark spot in the middle of the bite area			
2. Fever			
3. Rash			
4. Can't tell if part of the tick is still on my child			

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