Are bug sprays okay for my kids?



Jess called NPIC and learned the label has age restrictions and says how often to apply a repellent.



Do not spray on their face! Spray on your hands and then apply to their face.

REMEMBER:

- * Most repellents are for kids older than 2 months
- When in doubt: Check the label or talk to your pediatrician
- * Applying more is NOT better
- * Younger kids: Apply it for them
- * Older kids: Supervise the application and make sure they wash their hands after
- * Wash skin before bed time
- * Do not use permethrin products on skin
- * Apply sunscreen before repellent (1)

(1) The CDC does not recommend products that contain both sunscreen and repellent



Always follow the label directions

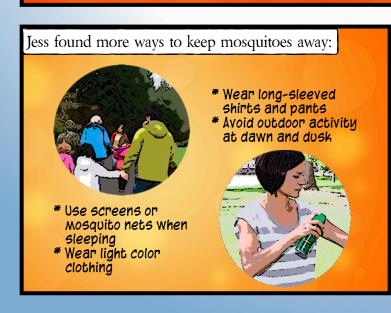




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