



Shawnee County Health Department

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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Yellow Fever Vaccinations Once Again Available Locally**

**Topeka, Kan.** – Shawnee County Health Department (SCHD) once again has yellow fever vaccinations available for the public.

Yellow fever virus is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. It is found in parts of Africa and South America. Symptoms take 3–6 days to develop and include fever, chills, headache, backache, and muscle aches.

YF-VAX is a vaccine used for the prevention of yellow fever in persons nine months of age and older in persons living or traveling to areas at risk for yellow fever virus activity or traveling to a county with entry requirement for vaccination. This vaccine is also recommended for laboratory personnel who might be exposed to yellow fever virus or vaccine virus.

Yellow fever vaccine and other travel vaccinations are provided by appointment at the SCHD 2115 SW 10th St. location. Appointments can be made by calling 785-251-5700.

Yellow fever vaccine is given only at designated vaccinations centers. Find the most convenient clinic by visiting: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/yellow-fever-vaccination-clinics/search>

Travelers can find more information about staying healthy while traveling by visiting: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel>

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