



# **HEALTH ALERT**

# IF YOU LIVE IN:

- Brunswick West
- Coburg
- Essendon
- Moonee Ponds
- Pascoe Vale South
- Strathmore

# BE AWARE OF BURULI ULCER



Cases of Buruli ulcer are increasing in Brunswick West, Coburg, Essendon, Moonee Ponds, Pascoe Vale South and Strathmore.



If you notice a new or slow healing sore, ulcer or skin infection, see your doctor and ask for a Buruli ulcer test.



Once diagnosed, Buruli ulcer can be treated with specific antibiotics. It is important to get a diagnosis from a doctor as early as possible.



Reducing your risk of mosquito bites can greatly reduce your risk of Buruli ulcer. Take steps to avoid getting bitten, especially during mosquito season (November to April) and particularly around your own property.







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