

WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

ZIKA VIRUS AND MICROCEPHALY

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Zika: the beginning of the story

- Teach what we know now – transmission, prevention, signs and symptoms, differential diagnosis, testing, treatment, assessing damages during embryonic and fetal development
- Values clarification and respect for individual cultural considerations when discussing options for Zika-infected pregnant women
- Teach where to find resources and stay up-to-date with the latest information
- Identify community, state and national agencies, what they are doing, provider education offerings, how to contribute to data collection
- Realize that what we know, how we test and treat, prevention strategies (vaccines in development) and CDC guidelines will be constantly evolving – what we know today will change quickly, and what we learn from Zika will have broad future implications