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DENGUE FEVER CASES ENCOUNTERED AT BELAU NATIONAL HOSPITAL

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The Ministry of Health (MOH) is informing the public that the Belau National Hospital is beginning to see cases of dengue fever in the community.

The MOH urges the public to continue practicing the 3S of Dengue Prevention to prevent the spread or infection of the dengue virus, including:

- **Search and eliminate** mosquito breeding sites in and around the house and yards.
- **Self-protect** against mosquito bites by using insect repellent and wearing long-sleeved clothing.
- **Seek early consultation** if dengue fever symptoms are experienced.

The MOH also reminds the public that there are increasing numbers of RSV and enterovirus, and to practice preventive measures including frequent handwashing, cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects/surfaces, maintaining distance from sick individuals, covering your mouth and noses when coughing or sneezing, and calling the Hospital for advice as needed.

For more information on dengue fever prevention, contact the MOH Communicable Disease Unit at 488-2450 or the Division of Environmental Health at 488-6073.