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5 Ways for YOU to Keep Your family safe.....

B athe or shower soon after coming indoors.

L ook for ticks and remove with tweezers.

A pply repellents for skin and/or clothing.*

S pray the perimeter of your yard for ticks.*

T reat your pets with a product recommended by your veterinarian.

Using repellents and pesticides, while proven effective, is a personal decision.

For additional information on ticks and tick bite prevention, visit www.ct.gov/caes and click on "Tick Management Handbook".

Take Early Signs and Symptoms Seriously

Consult a healthcare professional if you experience:

• Expanding rash (not always present) • Headache

• Fatigue headache

- Stiff neck,
- Fever and/or Chills • Muscle and/or joint pain.

Left untreated, Lyme Disease infection can worsen and lead to joint swelling, neurological, cardiac and other serious complications.





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