**LYME DISEASE FACTS**

**WHAT IS LYME DISEASE?**
Lyme disease is a disease transmitted by tick bites. Lyme disease is caused by bacteria.

**Borrelia burgdorferi**

**Deer tick**

**HOW COMMON IS LYME DISEASE?**
Lyme disease is one of the most common infectious diseases in Pennsylvania. Every county, even counties with big cities, reports Lyme disease cases.

**Pennsylvania Lyme Cases - 2019**

**WHAT IS A LYME DISEASE RASH?**
One of the most common symptoms of Lyme disease is a rash that can look like a bull’s-eye or oval shaped. It can be red or darker than your skin tone. Not everyone gets a rash, and some people might get rashes in multiple locations.

**WHAT ARE SOME OTHER LYME DISEASE SYMPTOMS?**
Lyme disease might make you feel like you have the flu. You might have a fever, headache, body aches. Later you could get painful, swollen joints and tingling in hands and feet.

**CAN LYME DISEASE BE TREATED?**
Yes! Lyme disease can be treated with antibiotics.

**HOW DO I PREVENT LYME DISEASE?**
Spray insect repellent on your body before you go outside. Spray permethrin on shoes, clothes and gear. Do tick checks frequently when you’re outdoors and after you come inside.