A mosquito bites someone with the disease, and gets the virus from that person's blood. The mosquito then passes the virus to someone else by biting them. This new person can then give the virus to other mosquitoes.

**Aedes aegypti** lays its eggs in containers that accumulate water, using them as breeding sites.

**Why?**

A vector is a living thing that is able to pass on a disease. In other words, *Aedes aegypti* is the vector for dengue, Zika and chikungunya in Puerto Rico, and yellow fever in other parts of the world.

*Did you know?* Only female mosquitoes carry diseases. They are the only ones that bite, since they need blood to produce eggs.

The males only feed on nectar.

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LEARN THE CYCLE AND BREAK IT!

The **whole cycle** can take from as little as **7 to 10 days**.

1. **Adult female mosquitoes** feed on human blood to produce their eggs.

2. **Eggs** are laid on the edge of containers with accumulated water just above the water line. Eggs hatch when flooded by water. After 3 days, larvae can be seen swimming in the water.

3. **Larvae** are aquatic and develop into pupae in as little as 5 days.

4. **Pupae** develop into flying adult mosquitoes in 1-2 days.

**Did you know?** Each female mosquito can lay hundreds of eggs. However...

**You can break the cycle**

**EMPTY**

**SCRUB**

**COVER**

**DUMP**

Breaking the cycle of *Aedes aegypti* means breaking the cycle of the diseases they transmit.

**Say YES to a Puerto Rico free from dengue, Zika, and chikungunya!**

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