





# Visiting friends and family abroad?

# How to stay safe and keep well



## What to do before you go



Talk to your doctor, nurse or visit a travel clinic



Try and do this 4-6 weeks before you go

If not, some clinics may be able to see you just before you go



Check if you need any special tablets or medicine

#### What to do when you are there

#### In places that have diseases like malaria



# Apply insect repellent\* to your skin

\*insect repellent is a spray, lotion, cream or wipes that keeps mosquitoes and bugs away



Wear clothes that cover arms and legs



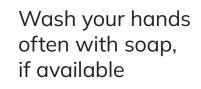
Sleep under a bed net that has been treated with insecticide

### What to do when you are there



Try to eat:

- Freshly cooked food that is served piping hot
- Fruit and vegetables you can peel yourself
- Dairy products that have been pasteurised





Try not to touch any cats, dogs, birds or wild animals

## What if you feel ill?



If you have a fever or feel like you have the flu – see a doctor as soon as you can



Don't wait to come home to see a doctor

If you have already returned home when you feel ill, remember to tell the doctor that you have been abroad

# Find out more



Talk to your GP, a nurse or travel clinic to get advice



For further information visit **travelhealthpro.org.uk** 



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