

# HANTAVIRUS WARNING



**Be safe while working on rodent-infested vehicles!** If you are exposed to mouse nests, droppings, and urine from deer mice living in cars, you may be at risk for hantavirus. Hantavirus is a deadly disease carried by deer mice.

## PROTECT YOURSELF WHEN WORKING ON VEHICLES:



Before inspecting a vehicle, open the hood, doors, and trunk outside and air it out for 20 minutes.

Always wear disposable plastic gloves and a long-sleeve shirt.



Check engine compartment, air intake systems and filters, passenger compartment and trunk for rodent droppings and nests.



Fully soak any areas where you've seen rodent droppings or nest with disinfectant. Wait at least 5 minutes.

After soaking, throw away any dead rodents, droppings, or nests in a sealed trash bag.



**DO NOT** sweep or use a vacuum cleaner, pressurized air, or power washing on rodent droppings, nests, or contaminated areas until after you've soaked them in disinfectant.

Wash gloves with disinfectant or soap. Take off gloves, then wash your hands.



For heavily infested vehicles, wear a N-95 respirator that has been fit to you and follow all precautions. Note: dust masks **DO NOT** protect against hantavirus.

**More info: [www.cdc.gov/rodents/cleaning/guidance-cleaning-vehicle.html](http://www.cdc.gov/rodents/cleaning/guidance-cleaning-vehicle.html)**