Information on Zika Virus Testing in Onondaga County

1. Talk to your health care provider about Zika.
You may want to talk with your health care provider about Zika, if you:
• Are pregnant, and traveled to a place where Zika virus was being transmitted while you were pregnant.
• Are pregnant, and you had unprotected sex with a partner who traveled to a place where Zika virus was being transmitted.
• Are a man or woman who becomes (or became) ill with symptoms of Zika virus within 4 weeks of travel to a place where Zika virus is being transmitted.

2. Get a Zika virus test prescription from your health care provider
Before February 28, 2018 your health care provider can work with the Onondaga County Health Department or the New York State Department of Health to get approval before you get tested. After February 28, 2018, your health care provider will give you a prescription for the lab tests that are needed.

3. Call the collection site to see if an appointment is needed
After February 28th, your health care provider should have a list of locations for you to get tested. You can also call the New York State Department of Health at 1-888-364-4723 for information on where you can get tested.

4. Go to the collection site
At the collection site, blood and urine samples will be collected. Make sure you wear short sleeves or sleeves that can easily be rolled up.

5. Results of your tests
Some people may need additional blood samples collected three weeks after the first samples. Test results will be sent to your healthcare provider, and you can discuss your results and ask any questions you may have.

6. Questions?
Contact your provider, the Onondaga County Health Department, Bureau of Disease Control, 315-435-3236, or the New York State Department of Health at 1-888-364-4723.