

HOW DO YOU CONTRACT LYME DISEASE?

Lyme Disease is spread through the bite of **infected ticks**.¹



In most cases, the tick must be attached for **36 to 48 hours** before the bacterium can be transmitted.¹



Most of us are infected through the bites of immature ticks because they are extremely small and difficult to discover.¹

HOW CAN YOU PROTECT YOURSELF?





Use a repellent on your clothes and skin that contains 20 percent or more DEET, picaridin, or IR3535.² **Perform daily tick checks** on yourself and your children, paying extra attention to the highlighted parts of the body.

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