COMMUNITY BOARD 9 MANHATTAN HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING

September 10, 2018

18 Old Broadway

6:30pm

ATTENDEES:

Arnold Boatner

Monica Dula

Edwin Torres

LaQuita Henry-excused

Andrea T. Duran

Cindy Chih Hsu

Nohemy Aguirre

Speaker: Vernon Hubert, Vector Surveillance Team, NY Department of Health

WEST NILE VIRUS

DOH has permanent traps throughout the city. The test the bugs found in those traps for a variety of disease. They spray and engage in various containment process in order to keep under control. They have 300 plus regular sites that they apply pesticide to for mosquito control. There are weekly and biweekly inspections. They have a contract with a licensed inspector to engage in mosquito control. The waste water treatment plant is one of the sites regularly inspected and sprayed.

There were 15 cases of West Nile in NYC. There were 0 cases in CB9. There were 9 positive pools in CB9. There were 16 inspections of standing water pools in CB9. Three violations were issued in CB9 as a result of 311 complaints.

There is minimal risks to health but if someone has a compromised immune system, it can be life threatening.